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HIGHLIGHTS

Senate and House elected their officers for the Eighty-first Congress and adopted procedural resolutions.

Thirty-two Senators-elect took their oaths of office.

House adopted change in present Rules Committee procedure.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 3–7

Bills Introduced: Eleven resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. Con. Res. 1; and S. Res. 1 to S. Res. 10.

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Swearing in of Newly-Elected Senators: The following 32 Senators, elected in November 1948 for the term expiring in 1955, were sworn in: Senators Anderson, New Mexico; Bridges, New Hampshire; Broughton, North Carolina; Chapman, Kentucky; Cordon, Oregon; Douglas, Illinois; Eastland, Mississippi; Ellender, Louisiana; Ferguson, Michigan; Frear, Delaware; Gillette, Iowa; Green, Rhode Island; Hendrickson, New Jersey; Humphrey, Minnesota; Hunt, Wyoming; Johnson, Colorado; Johnson, Texas; Kefauver, Tennessee; Kerr, Oklahoma; Maybank, South Carolina; McClellan, Arkansas; Miller, Idaho; Mundt, South Dakota; Murray, Montana; Neely, West Virginia; Robertson, Virginia; Russell, Georgia; Saltonstall, Massachusetts; Schoeppel, Kansas; Smith, Maine; Sparkman, Alabama; and Wherry, Nebraska.

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Organizational Resolutions Adopted: The following resolutions providing for the election of Senate officers for the Eighty-first Congress, were submitted and adopted:

President pro tempore: S. Res. 4, providing for the election of Senator McKellar, of Tennessee, as President pro tempore of the Senate. An amendment by Senator Wherry to elect Senator Vandenberg, of Michigan, to this position instead of Senator McKellar was rejected by 40 yeas to 50 nays. Upon adoption of this resolution Senator McKellar was sworn in as President pro tempore and assumed the chair.

Secretary of the Senate: S. Res. 5, providing for the election of Leslie L. Biffle, of Arkansas, as Secretary of the Senate. An amendment by Senator Bridges to substitute the name of Carl A. Loeffler, of Pennsylvania, was rejected by voice vote. Mr. Biffle was sworn in as the new Senate Secretary.

Sergeant at Arms: S. Res. 6, electing Joseph C. Duke, of Arizona, as Sergeant at Arms and Doorkeeper of the Senate. An amendment by Senator Bridges to substitute the name of Edward F. McGinnis was rejected by voice vote.

Secretary for the Majority: S. Res. 9, electing Felton M. Johnston, of Mississippi, as secretary for the Majority of the Senate.

Secretary for the Minority: S. Res. 10, electing J. Mark Trice, of Maryland, as secretary for the Minority of the Senate.

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Procedural Resolutions Adopted: The Senate adopted the following procedural resolutions:

Electoral count: S. Con. Res. 1, providing for a joint meeting of the House and Senate in the House on Thursday, January 6, 1949, at 1 p. m., for the opening and counting of the votes of the electors of the several States for President and Vice President.

Notification of quorum: S. Res. 1, to appoint two Senators to advise the President that a quorum of the Senate is present and ready to receive any message.

Legislative program: S. Res. 2, advising the House of Representatives that a quorum of the Senate is present and ready to transact business.

Hour of meeting: S. Res. 3, setting the hour of 12 o'clock meridian as the hour of daily meeting of the Senate unless otherwise ordered.

Notification to President of election of Senate officers: S. Res. 7, to notify the President of election of Senator McKellar as President pro tempore, and Leslie L. Biffle as Secretary of the Senate.

Notification to House of election of Senate officers: S. Res. 8, providing for notification to House of Representatives of election of Senator McKellar as President pro tempore, and Leslie L. Biffle as Secretary of the Senate. Pages 5–6

Committee To Wait on President: Pursuant to terms of S. Res. 1, to appoint two Senators to advise the President that a quorum of the Senate is present and ready to receive any message, the Chair appointed Senators Barkley and Wherry to join a like committee on the part of the House to wait upon the President and advise him that the Eighty-first Congress is ready to receive any message. Page 5

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Five hundred seventy public bills, H. R. 1–570; two hundred six private bills, H. R. 571–776; and ninety-two resolutions, H. J. Res. 1–59, H. Con. Res. 1–9, and H. Res. 1–24, were introduced. Pages 13–29

Reports of Publications: The following reports were made by committees of the Eightieth Congress as follows:

Report entitled "Investigation of the Atomic Energy Commission at Los Alamos, N. Mex." (H. Rept. 2478); and

Final report of the Select Committee To Investigate the Federal Communications Commission (H. Rept. 2479).

Election of Speaker: By a vote of 255 to 160, Sam Rayburn, a Representative from the State of Texas, was elected Speaker of the House of Representatives. Pages 3–9

Party Leaders: It was announced that Representatives McCormack and Martin of Massachusetts were selected as majority and minority leaders, respectively. Pages 9–10

House Employees: Adopted H. Res. 1, choosing the following House employees:

Ralph R. Roberts, Clerk of the House of Representatives;
Joseph H. Callahan, Sergeant at Arms;
W. Moseley Miller, Doorkeeper;
Finis E. Scott, Postmaster; and
Rev. James Shera Montgomery, D. D., Chaplain. Page 10

Notify Senate: Adopted H. Res. 2, to inform the Senate that a quorum of the House had assembled and had elected Sam Rayburn, a Representative from the State of Texas, Speaker; and Ralph R. Roberts, Clerk of the House. Page 10

Notify President: Adopted H. Res. 3, authorizing the Speaker to appoint a committee of three Members to join with a like committee of the Senate to notify the President that a quorum of each House has been assembled and that Congress is ready to receive any communication he may be pleased to make.

Pursuant to H. Res. 3, the Speaker appointed Representatives McCormack, Walter, and Martin of Massachusetts. Page 10

Inform President: Adopted H. Res. 4, authorizing Clerk to inform the President of the United States that the House of Representatives had elected Sam Rayburn, a Representative from the State of Texas, Speaker; and Ralph R. Roberts, Clerk of the House of Representatives. Page 10

Rules: Adopted H. Res. 5, calling for adoption of the rules of the Eightieth Congress as the rules of the Eighty-first Congress, with an amendment designed to permit chairmen of committees reporting bills or joint resolutions favorably to the House to move the adoption of resolutions providing for the consideration of such legislation if the Committee on Rules has adversely reported or failed to report within 21 calendar days such resolutions for consideration. Pages 10–11

Minority Position: Adopted H. Res. 6, vacating positions of clerk and assistant clerk to the Minority Leader, and employing a secretary in lieu of the two positions. Page 11

Hour of Meeting: Adopted H. Res. 7, fixing hour of meeting in the House at 12 o'clock noon. Page 11

Committee on Appropriations: Adopted H. Res. 8, authorizing the Committee on Appropriations and subcommittees thereof to sit during sessions and recesses of the Eighty-first Congress. Page 11

Joint Sessions: Adopted H. Con. Res. 1, calling for a joint session, at 1 p. m., on January 5, 1949, to receive such communications as the President of the United States shall be pleased to make.

Also adopted H. Con. Res. 2, calling for a joint session, at 1 p. m., on January 6, 1949, for the opening and counting of the votes of the electors of the several States for President and Vice President. Pages 11–12

Commission Appointments: The Speaker announced the appointment of Representatives Sabath and Auchincloss to the House Office Building Commission. Page 12

Wednesday, January 5, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

Both Houses heard President in joint session.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 29–73

Bills Introduced: Two hundred and thirty-eight bills and twenty-six resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1–S. 238; S. J. Res. 1–S. J. Res. 14; S. Con. Res. 2–S. Con. Res. 4; S. Res. 11–S. Res. 19. Pages 38–42, 57–60

Presidential Messages: Reports of various executive departments and administrative agencies, made during the recent congressional recess, were received from President. Pages 30–31

Notification to President of Senate Quorum: The committee, consisting of Senators Barkley and Wherry, appointed pursuant to S. Res. 1, to appoint two Senators to advise the President that a quorum of the Senate was present and ready to receive messages, reported that the President had been notified. Page 29

President's Message on State of Union: Senate met in joint session with the House to hear the President deliver his message on the state of the Union. Prior to this, it adopted H. Con. Res. 1, calling for a joint session at 1 p. m. on January 5, 1949, to receive the President's message on the state of the Union. Pages 35, 74–76

Electoral Count: Senate adopted H. Con. Res. 2, calling for a joint session at 1 p. m., on January 6, 1949, for the opening and counting of the votes of the electors of the several States for President and Vice President. Under the terms of this resolution the chair appointed Senators Green and Wherry as tellers on the part of the Senate to count the votes. Pages 29–30

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: One hundred fifty-six public bills, H. R. 777–932; eighty-seven private bills, H. R. 1009–1095; and seventeen resolutions, H. J. Res. 60–70, and H. Res. 25–30, were introduced. Pages 77, 78–83

President's Message: Met in joint session with the Senate and heard the President deliver his message on the state of the Union. Pages 74–76

Members Sworn: Representatives Gorski, Forty-fourth District of New York; Tauriello, Forty-third District of New York; and Phillips, First District of Tennessee, appeared in the well of the House and took the oath of office. Pages 74, 77

Committee Elections: Adopted H. Res. 25, electing the majority membership of the Committee on Ways and Means.

Also adopted H. Res. 26, electing the minority membership of the Committee on Ways and Means. Page 77

Members' Oaths: Adopted H. Res. 27 and 28, authorizing the Speaker to administer the oath of office to Representatives Woodruff and Bulwinkle who are necessarily absent due to illness. Page 77

Majority Whip: It was announced that J. Percy Priest, a Representative from the State of Tennessee, was selected as majority whip. Page 77

Electoral Count: Pursuant to H. Con. Res. 2, the Speaker appointed Representatives Norton and Gamble to join a like committee on the part of the Senate for the opening and counting of the votes of the electors of the several States for President and Vice President. Page 77

Thursday, January 6, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

Both Houses met in joint session to count electoral votes.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 83–89

Bills Introduced: Thirty-four bills and five resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 239–S. 272; S. J. Res. 15–S. J. Res. 16; and S. Res. 20–S. Res. 22. Pages 83–84, 86

Electoral Count: Senate met in joint session with the House under terms of H. Con. Res. 2, calling for a joint session for the opening and counting of the votes of the electors of the several States for President and Vice President. (For tabulation of votes, see House Chamber.) Pages 89–90

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Seventy-six public bills, H. R. 933–1008; forty-four private bills, H. R. 1096–1139; and nine resolutions, H. J. Res. 71–74, H. Con. Res. 10, and H. Res. 31–34, were introduced. Pages 95–97

Members Sworn: Representatives Poulson, Thirteenth District of California; Cole, Thirty-ninth District of New York; Norblad, First District of Oregon; and Woodruff, Tenth District of Michigan, appeared in the well of the House and took the oath of office. Page 89

Electoral Count: Met in joint session with the Senate to open and count the votes of the electors of the several States for President and Vice President. Representative Graham was appointed by the Speaker to replace Representative Gamble as a teller on the part of the House. The count disclosed that a total of 531 votes were cast with Mr. Truman and Mr. Barkley receiving 303; Mr. Dewey and Mr. Warren, 189; and Mr. Thurmond and Mr. Wright, 39. Pages 89–90

Joint Committee Meetings

CHINA

Joint Committee on Foreign Economic Cooperation: Committee met in executive session to receive a report from William C. Bullitt on the ECA mission in China. A 13-page report was made public following the meeting. (The joint committee was created pursuant to section 124 of Public Law 472 of the Eightieth Congress.)

Friday, January 7, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

House received the Economic Report of the President.

Senate

Chamber Action

The Senate was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Monday, January 10, at 12 noon.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Twenty-three public bills, H. R. 1140–1162; fourteen private bills, H. R. 1163–1176; and five resolutions, H. J. Res. 75–76, and H. Res. 36–38, were introduced. Pages 103–104

Members Sworn: Representative Smith of Ohio appeared in the well of the House and took the oath of office.

The Speaker announced that pursuant to H. Res. 28, he did, on January 6, 1949, administer the oath of office to Representative Bulwinkle, of North Carolina, at Bethesda, Md.

Adopted H. Res. 35, accepting the oath of office of Representative Bulwinkle as a Member of the House of Representatives. Page 97

President's Message: Received the Economic Report of the President to the Congress together with a report by the Council of Economic Advisers entitled "The Annual Economic Review, January 1949," which was referred to the Joint Committee on the Economic Report and ordered to be printed as a House document (H. Doc. No. 36). Page 98

Monday, January 10, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

Both Houses received the President's budget message.
Senate standing committee assignments for Eighty-first Congress approved.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 108–133

Bills Introduced: Fifty-nine bills and eleven resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 273–S. 331; S. J. Res. 17–S. J. Res. 24; S. Con. Res. 5; and S. Res. 23 and 24. Pages 108–109, 115–116, 126

Standing Committee Assignments: The majority and minority slates of assignments to standing committees for the Eighty-first Congress were announced, and on motion of Senator Barkley were approved by the Senate. Pages 104–106

Budget Message: President transmitted his annual budget message calling for $41.9 billions in governmental expenditures for the fiscal year 1950. The message was referred to the Committee on Appropriations. Pages 119, 134–153

Economic Report: Senate received the Economic Report of the President, which was referred to the Joint Committee on the Economic Report. Page 106

Electoral Count: Senator Green announced to the Senate the result of the electoral count as taken at the joint session on Thursday, January 6. Pages 105–106

Government Officials' Salaries: Communication from President on pay increases for top Government officials was received and referred to the Committee on Post Office and Civil Service. Page 106

Nominations: Senate received the nominations of Dean G. Acheson, of Maryland, to be Secretary of State, and of James E. Webb, of North Carolina, to be Under Secretary of State. Page 133

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Ninety-three public bills, H. R. 1177–1269; thirty-four private bills, H. R. 1270–1303; and nineteen resolutions, H. J. Res. 77–84, H. Con. Res. 11 and 12, and H. Res. 39–47, were introduced. Pages 166–170

Minority House Employees: Adopted H. Res. 39, choosing certain minority House employees. Page 134

Members Sworn: The following Members-elect presented themselves and took the oath of office:

Mr. Tollefson, Sixth District of Washington.
Mr. Jennings, Second District of Tennessee.
Mr. Jenison, Second District of Illinois.
Mr. Crawford, Eighth District of Michigan.
Mr. Burke, Ninth District of Ohio. Page 134

President's Message: Heard the reading of the budget message of the President calling for expenditures of $41.9 billions for fiscal year 1950, which is about $1.7 billions above the requirements for the present year. The message was referred to the Committee on Appropriations. Pages 134–155

Committee on Appropriations: Adopted H. Res. 43, providing for a membership of 45 on the Committee on Appropriations for the Eighty-first Congress. Page 160

Thursday, January 13, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed bill for pay increase of President, Vice President, and Speaker.
Ten Senate standing committees met for organizational purposes, and to discuss their legislative programs.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 169–185

Bills Introduced: One hundred sixty-seven bills and eighteen resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 332–498; S. J. Res. 25–34; and S. Res. 25–32. Pages 171, 172, 173–176, 183, 184

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 103, to increase pay of President, Vice President, the Speaker, and top Government officials (S. Rept. 1) (reported January 11);

Joint report of subcommittee of Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments and subcommittee of Committee on Foreign Relations of their investigation of certain allegations against radio broadcast operation under the Voice of America program (S. Rept. 2);

S. Res. 14, to change the age limit for Senate pages (S. Rept. 3);

S. Res. 20, authorizing the Senators from the State of California to employ an additional clerk each (S. Rept. 4);

S. J. Res. 16, making January 20 and 21 holidays for Federal and D. C. employees in the D. C. metropolitan area (no written report);

S. Res. 25, providing for the preparation and printing of the Senate Rules and Manual for the Eighty-first Congress (no written report); and

S. Res. 26, electing Senators to Joint Committees on Printing and on Library (no written report). Pages 170–172, 223

Committee on Expenditures: Senate authorized to be printed as a Senate document a report of the work of the Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments. Page 172

Reorganization of Government: A communication from Hon. Herbert Hoover, Chairman of the Joint Committee on Organization of the Executive Branch of the Government, dealing with reorganization, was received. The report was referred to the Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments. Pages 172–173

Resolutions Adopted: Senate adopted the following routine resolutions:

Senate Rules and Manual: S. Res. 25, providing for the preparation and printing of the Senate Rules and Manual for the Eighty-first Congress;

Membership on joint committees: S. Res. 26, electing to the following committees the Senators named: Joint Committee on Printing: Senators Hayden, Hunt, and Jenner; Joint Committee on the Library: Senators Green, Long, Ives, and Lodge;

Additional clerk hire: S. Res. 20, authorizing the Senators from the State of California to employ an additional clerk each, at the basic rate of $1,500 per annum; and

Age of pages: S. Res. 14, to change the age limit for Senate pages. Pages 171–172

Government Officials' Salaries: By a vote of 68 yeas to 9 nays, Senate passed with amendment, including committee amendments, S. 103, respecting salary increase for the President, Vice President, the Speaker, and other top Government officials, after taking the following action:

Adopted: by 84 yeas to 2 nays, Lucas amendment to confine the subject matter of the bill to compensation of President, Vice President, and Speaker, after rejecting Flanders amendment to this amendment attempting to retain provisions of the bill providing increased salary for employees of the District of Columbia government; by voice vote, Wherry amendment exempting any increases provided in the bill from deductions for civil-service retirement; and, by voice vote, Brewster amendment to limit President's compensation to $100,000 plus an expense allowance of $50,000.

Senate rejected: by 22 yeas to 61 nays, a series of three amendments by Senator Donnell requiring that expense allowances provided in the bill shall be paid after submission of vouchers accounting for funds so spent; and by 38 yeas to 38 nays, Millikin amendment providing that the President shall receive his expense allowance on his certification. Pages 185–190, 192–195, 198–222

Inaugural Holidays: Passed S. J. Res. 16, making January 20 and 21 holidays for Federal and D. C. employees in the D. C. metropolitan area. Pages 223–225

Nominations: The following nominations were received: 913 Army, 491 Navy, 1,660 Air Force, and 99 civilian. Pages 225–261

Treaties: Six treaties were received. Pages 222, 223

Committee Meetings

AGRICULTURAL PROBLEMS—FOOT-AND-MOUTH DISEASE

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Committee held an organizational meeting on January 12, and agreed to call Secretary of Agriculture Brannan as a witness as soon as possible to hear him discuss storage problems, price of pork, and general agricultural problems. It was agreed that the Subcommittee on Foot-and-Mouth Disease should be continued.

DEFENSE LEGISLATION

Committee on Armed Services: On January 12 the committee held its organizational meeting and discussed the proposed legislative program of the National Military Establishment.

DISTRICT BUSINESS

Committee on the District of Columbia: On January 11 the committee met in executive session to discuss generally its legislative program for the year ahead. The chairman expressed his hope of extending the scope of the committee's activity to include not only District legislation, but also local issues of interest to the District of Columbia, toward the objective of improving the District government.

It was decided that monthly meetings would be held, on the first Tuesday of each month. The chairman announced that the District of Columbia daylight-saving bill (S. 135) would be brought up at the next meeting of the committee.

COMMITTEE PROGRAM

Committee on Finance: In executive session today the committee discussed its general legislative program for the year and agreed that weekly meetings would be held on Thursday of each week at 10:30 a. m.

Mrs. Elizabeth Springer was designated as acting clerk until such time as a chief clerk for the committee is named.

SECRETARY OF STATE—WORLD SITUATION

Committee on Foreign Relations: The committee concluded hearings on the nomination of Dean G. Acheson to be Secretary of State, after receiving testimony from Mr. Acheson and Edward R. Stettinius, Jr., former Secretary of State and now of the University of Virginia, in support of the nomination.

The chairman announced after the meeting that the committee would meet in executive session tomorrow to act on the nomination.

On January 11 the committee heard Under Secretary of State Lovett speak off the record on the world situation and foreign affairs.

ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: On January 12 the committee held its organizational meeting, in executive session, after which the following announcements were made: Mr. Mills Astin was appointed clerk of the committee; and a subcommittee was appointed to agree upon the other members of the committee staff. It was agreed that hearings would begin on January 31 to hear the Secretary of Interior and other top officials of that Department concerning the operations and functions of the Department of Interior. The hearings are expected to run for some time.

COMMITTEE STAFF—INAUGURAL HOLIDAY

Committee on the Judiciary: On January 12 the committee held its organizational meeting, following which

it was announced: (1) that the committee had agreed to report without amendment S. J. Res. 16, making January 20 and 21 holidays for Federal and District of Columbia employees in the District of Columbia metropolitan area; and (2) that J. G. Sourwine was unanimously approved as a member of its professional staff to act as counsel to the committee and to act as administrative head of the committee staff. Joe Davis was named the committee clerk.

FEDERAL AID, SCIENCE FOUNDATION, AND LABOR LEGISLATION

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: In executive session the committee appointed Senator Murray as vice chairman. It agreed to hold no further hearings on the Federal-aid-to-education bill (S. 246), the Science Foundation bill (S. 247), and the amendment to wages-and-hours law to increase the minimum wage to 75 cents (S. 248). The first two bills (S. 246 and 247) have been reintroduced in the identical form they passed the Senate last year. It was agreed to bring these three bills up again at the next meeting of the committee on Tuesday, January 18. The committee also discussed bills to repeal the Taft-Hartley law, but no decision was reached; the subject will also be brought up again at the next meeting of the committee. Other bills which are expected to be brought up at the next meeting if time permits are the library demonstration bill (S. 130), and the recreation bill (S. 250).

PRESIDENT, VICE PRESIDENT, SPEAKER—SALARY

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: On January 11 the committee, in executive session, ordered reported, with two perfecting amendments, S. 103, to increase pay of the President, Vice President, Speaker, and top Government officials.

PRIVILEGES AND ELECTIONS

Committee on Rules and Administration: Subcommittee on Privileges and Elections met in executive session but made no announcement.

CLOTURE RULE, SUBCOMMITTEES, AND JOINT COMMITTEES

Committee on Rules and Administration: Committee met on January 12 in executive session and appointed the following subcommittees: Subcommittee on Rules: Senators Hayden, chairman, Stennis, and Wherry; Subcommittee on Privileges and Elections: Senators Myers, chairman, Gillette, and Knowland; Subcommittee on the Library: Senators Green, chairman, Long, and Ives; Subcommittee on Printing: Senators Hayden, chairman, Hunt, and Jenner; Subcommittee on the Smithsonian Institution: Senators Green, chairman, and Lodge.

Committee approved a resolution (S. Res. 26) reciting the names of Senators appointed to the Joint Committee on Printing (Senators Hayden, Hunt, and Jenner), and the Joint Committee on the Library (Senators Hayden, Green, Long, Ives, and Lodge).

It also approved: S. Res. 25, providing for the preparation and printing of the Senate Rules and Manual for the Eighty-first Congress; S. Res. 14, to change the age limit for Senate pages; and S. Res. 20, authorizing the Senators from the State of California to employ an additional clerk each.

Committee agreed to hold hearings on a resolution relating to amending the Cloture Rule, the witnesses to be limited to Senators; the hearings to begin on Monday, January 24.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: One hundred forty-one public bills, H. R. 1304–1444; sixty-six private bills, H. R. 1445–1510; and twelve resolutions, H. J. Res. 85–91, H. Con. Res. 13 and 14, and H. Res. 48–50, were introduced. **Pages 293–296**

Member Sworn: Representative Somers of the tenth district of New York appeared at the bar of the House and took the oath of office as prescribed by law. **Page 262**

Inaugural Admissions Tax: Committee on Ways and Means was granted permission to file, by midnight, January 15, a report on H. J. Res. 85, providing for exemption of admissions tax on amounts paid for admission tickets sold by authority of Committee on Inaugural Ceremonies for the inauguration of the President-elect in January 1949. **Page 262**

President's Message: Message transmitting a report showing receipts and disbursements for fiscal year 1948 in connection with the Foreign Service retirement and disability system. The message was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs and ordered printed as a House document (H. Doc. No. 39). **Page 265**

Monday, January 17, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

House cleared inaugural holidays and Presidential pay raise bills for the White House.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 299–308

Bills Introduced: Forty-seven bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 499 to S. 545; and S. Res. 33. **Pages 300–301, 306**

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

First report of Subcommittee on Investigations of the Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments (S. Rept. 5); and

Favorable report of Committee on Foreign Relations on nomination of Dean G. Acheson to be Secretary of State (S. Ex. Rept. 1). **Pages 299, 300**

President's Message: Received message from the President recommending restoration of procedure whereby a Government reorganization plan submitted by the President becomes effective in 60 days unless rejected by Congress. The message was referred to the Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments. **Pages 298, 404–405**

Confirmation: The nomination of former Senator Carl A. Hatch, to be district judge of New Mexico, was confirmed. **Page 402**

Nominations: Received 10,413 nominations, of which 7,444 were Army, 2,777 were Navy, and 192 civilian, including that of Maurice J. Tobin, of Massachusetts, to be Secretary of Labor. **Pages 314–402**

Committee Meetings

SUBCOMMITTEES

Committee on Banking and Currency: In executive session on January 14, the committee held an organizational meeting and appointed the following subcommittees to handle any proposed legislation for the Eighty-first Congress coming within their respective jurisdiction: Subcommittee on Small Business: Senators Maybank, chairman, Taylor, Fulbright, Sparkman, Frear, Capehart, Cain, Bricker, and Tobey; Subcommittee on Federal Reserve: Senators Robertson, chairman, Maybank, Douglas, Tobey, and Flanders; Subcommittee on Securities and Exchange: Senators Frear, chairman, Taylor, Sparkman, Tobey, and Flanders; Subcommittee on Housing and Rents: Senators Sparkman, chairman, Maybank, Wagner, Douglas, Flanders, Cain, and Bricker; Subcommittee on Currency and Coinage: Senators Taylor, chairman, Wagner, and Capehart; Subcommittee on Reconstruction Finance Corporation: Senators Fulbright, chairman, Maybank, Frear, Tobey, and Capehart; and Subcommittee on Economic Stabilization: Senators Douglas, chairman, Robertson, Sparkman, Taylor, ———, Capehart, Flanders, Cain, and Bricker. Committee meets again Tuesday.

ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: On January 14, in executive session, the committee held its organizational meeting and took the following action: The first and third Wednesdays of each month were designated as regular meeting days of the committee. It was agreed, unanimously, that five members of the committee would constitute a quorum for the transaction of its ordinary business. Mr. Walter L. Reynolds was elected its chief clerk.

It was voted to continue the four previous subcommittees, as follows: Subcommittee To Investigate Wildlife Conservation, Subcommittee To Study Intergovernmental Relations, Subcommittee on Relations with International Organizations, and Subcommittee on Senate Investigations.

Membership of each subcommittee will be designated at the next meeting.

The resignation of all staff personnel, both of the full committee and the subcommittees, effective 30 days from date, was requested, so that the chairman of the full committee and the chairmen of the subcommittees, when appointed, would have the opportunity to retain such personnel as needed, or to make reductions in force where desirable.

It was unanimously agreed that the previous rule adopted for the operation of the Subcommittee on Senate Investigations be continued, namely, that to hold public hearings the subcommittee must be unanimous in its decision and in case of disagreement the matter must be referred to the full committee for final determination.

Mr. Miles Scull, Jr., was appointed to the professional staff of the committee. He will specialize in the reports and recommendations of the Commission on Organization of the Executive Branch of the Government, and legislation introduced as a result of its recommendations. Mr. Scull has been working with the Commission for the past 6 months, as assistant to Senator

McClellan, in connection with its reorganization studies. Committee meets again Wednesday.

SECRETARY OF STATE NOMINATION

Committee on Foreign Relations: By a vote of 13 to 0 the committee ordered reported favorably the nomination of Dean G. Acheson to be Secretary of State. This meeting was held on January 14 in executive session.

Chairman Connally issued a press release giving an excerpt from a statement made by Mr. Acheson in the executive session as to his views on communism.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Seventy-four public bills, H. R. 1511–1584; fifty-four private bills, H. R. 1585–1638; and fourteen resolutions, H. J. Res. 92–97, H. Con. Res. 15–18, and H. Res. 51–54, were introduced.

Pages 424, 431–434

Inaugural Holidays: Suspended the rules and passed S. J. Res. 16, making January 20 and 21 holidays for Federal and D. C. employees in metropolitan Washington.

Pages 411–414

Inaugural Tickets' Tax: Suspended the rules and passed H. J. Res. 85, to exempt proceeds of the inaugural tickets from the Federal admissions tax.

Pages 407–411

Presidential Pay Raise: Voted to suspend the rules and pass S. 103, which provides for increasing the salaries of the President and Vice President of the United States and the Speaker of the House of Representatives; thus completing congressional action on the bill. Under the provisions of this measure, the President will be paid a salary of $100,000 and a tax-free expense allowance of $50,000, while the Vice President and the Speaker of the House of Representatives will receive salaries of $30,000 and tax-free expense allowances of $10,000.

Pages 414–421

President's Message—Reorganization: A message from the President recommending the enactment of a new reorganization measure was received and read. The message was referred to the Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments and ordered printed as a House document (H. Doc. 42).

Pages 404–406

Minority Whip: It was announced that Leslie C. Arends, a Representative from the State of Illinois, was selected as minority whip.

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Committe on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Adopted H. Res. 51, providing for a membership of 28 on the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce.

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Committee Meetings

ADMISSIONS TAX EXEMPTION

Committee on Ways and Means: Met in executive session on Friday, January 14, and ordered H. J. Res. 85 to be reported favorably to the House. This measure exempts from admissions tax amounts paid for admission tickets sold by authority of the Committee on Inaugural Ceremonies. (See H. Rept. 1.)

Tuesday, January 18, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate confirmed nomination of Dean G. Acheson to be Secretary of State, and defeated tax-exemption for inaugural tickets.

House approved standing committee assignments for Eighty-first Congress.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 434–443

Bills Introduced: Fifty-one bills and four resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 546 to S. 596; S. J. Res. 35; S. Con. Res. 6 and 7; and S. Res. 34.

Pages 435–437, 443–444

Resignation of Senator Barkley: Letter addressed by Senator Barkley to the Governor of Kentucky submitting his resignation, effective midnight January 19, to become Vice President, was read to the Senate.

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Inaugural Tickets Tax: Senate defeated, by 45 yeas to 47 nays, H. J. Res. 85, to exempt proceeds of the inaugural tickets from the Federal admissions tax, after rejecting the following amendments: by 38 yeas to 54 nays, Baldwin amendment exempting admissions to agricultural fairs from Federal tax; and by 28 yeas to 63 nays, McCarthy amendment to exempt home stoves and baby cosmetics from luxury tax. Following defeat of the resolution, Senate rejected, by 42 yeas to 49 nays, Morse motion to lay on table motion to reconsider vote by which resolution was defeated, and, by 44 yeas to 47 nays, Brewster motion to reconsider vote by which resolution was defeated.

Pages 446–458

Secretary of State: By a vote of 83 yeas to 6 nays, the nomination of Dean G. Acheson to be Secretary of State was confirmed.

458–468, 471

Adjournment Over Week End: Senate adopted an order providing for adjournment today until 11:45 a. m., Thursday, January 20, when it will meet to attend in a body the inaugural ceremonies, following which it will stand adjourned until noon Monday, January 24.

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Nomination: Received nomination of Albert J. Loveland, of Iowa, to be Under Secretary of Agriculture.

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Committee Meetings

EXPORT CONTROL AND VOLUNTARY AGREEMENTS

Committee on Banking and Currency: In executive session the committee agreed that bills be introduced proposing a continuation of the Export Control Act which expires February 27, 1949 (S. 548), and to continue through September 30, 1949, certain authority conferred on the President under the voluntary agreements and plans embodied in Public Law 395 of the Eightieth Congress (S. 547). The committee agreed to hold hearings for 1 day next Tuesday, January 25, on voluntary agreements and plans (S. 547). On Friday, January 28, the committee will begin hearings on S. 548, extension of the Export Control Act.

FEDERAL AID TO EDUCATION

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: In executive session the committee considered S. 246, Federal aid-to-education bill, and heard Senators McMahon and Johnson of Colorado testify at some length in support of their bill on the same subject (S. 496), explaining its intent and provisions. A vote on reporting the bill was put off until a later date. The committee will meet on this proposed legislation in executive session again next Friday. Other bills to be considered by the committee as soon as time permits include: S. 247, National Science Foundation bill; S. 248, amendment to wages-and-hours law to increase the minimum wage to 75 cents; S. 130, library demonstration bill; S. 250, recreation bill; and repeal of the Taft-Hartley law.

SUBCOMMITTEES AND CORPS OF ENGINEERS

Committee on Public Works: Committee in executive session agreed to hold its regular meetings each Friday at 10 a. m.

The nomination of Brig. Gen. Peter A. Feringa, Corps of Engineers, to be president and member of the Mississippi River Commission, was ordered reported favorably.

The following standing subcommittees, to handle any proposed legislation for the Eighty-first Congress coming within their respective jurisdiction, was announced by the chairman following the meeting: Subcommittee on Flood Control-River and Harbor Improvements: Senators Downey, chairman, McClellan, Holland, Martin, and Malone; Subcommittee on Public Roads: Senators McClellan, chairman, Sparkman, Kerr, Watkins, and Kem; Subcommittee on Public Buildings: Senators Holland, chairman, Chapman, and Cain; and ex officio members of this committee to the Committee on Appropriations: Senators Sparkman, Stennis, and Cain.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Twenty-five public bills, H. R. 1639–1663; eighteen private bills, H. R. 1664–1681; and five resolutions, H. J. Res. 98, H. Con. Res. 19, and H. Res. 55–57, were introduced.

Pages 473, 475–476

Adjournment: Adopted H. Res. 55, providing for convening of House at 11:30 a. m. January 20, attendance of Members at the inaugural ceremonies, following which the House will stand adjourned until January 24.

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Majority Committee Assignments: Adopted H. Res. 56, electing majority Members to membership on the standing committees of the Eighty-first Congress.

Pages 472–473

Minority Committee Assignments: Adopted H. Res. 57, electing minority Members to membership on the standing committees of the Eighty-first Congress.

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Monday, January 24, 1949

Under this date are covered the proceedings of the Senate and House for both Thursday, January 20, and Monday, January 24, 1949.

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate committee voted "that the Taft-Hartley Law be repealed."

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 480–493

Bills Introduced: Fifty-two bills and four resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 597 to S. 648; S. J. Res. 36 to S. J. Res. 38; and S. Con. Res. 8. Pages 487–488, 492

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 130, to provide for demonstration of public library service (S. Rept. 6);

S. 15, to close loophole so as to make it unlawful to collect a fee for referring persons seeking jobs to Federal employing officers (S. Rept. 7);

S. 29, relative to claims for damage to property deposited by enemy aliens or U. S. citizens of Japanese ancestry, with amendment (S. Rept. 10); and

Four private immigration bills: S. 26, 27 (with amendments), 32, and 90 (with amendment) (S. Repts. 8, 9, 11, and 12, respectively). Page 482

Inauguration: The Senate met briefly on Thursday, January 20, and proceeded in a body to the inaugural ceremonies. Pages 476–479

Senator Withers: Before adjourning on January 20, Senator Garrett L. Withers was sworn into office as a Senator from the State of Kentucky, to replace Senator Barkley. Page 476

Inaugural Address: The inaugural address delivered by President Truman on Thursday, January 20, was ordered to be printed as S. Doc. 5. Pages 477–478

Presiding Officer: Vice President Barkley, assuming his position as President of the Senate, briefly outlined his duties, and commented in passing that he will, without a point of order being made, rule against the making of any speech during morning-hour business. Pages 480–481

Committee Assignments: Senator Withers was assigned to service on the Committees on Labor and Public Welfare, and Rules and Administration; Senator Douglas to the Joint Committee on the Economic Report; and Senator Tydings to the Joint Committee on Atomic Energy. Pages 481, 492

Confirmation: The nomination of Brig. Gen. Peter A. Feringa to be president and member of the Mississippi River Commission was confirmed. Page 512

Nominations: Received 3 civilian nominations and 3,471 Army nominations. Pages 499–512

Committee Meetings

PRICE SUPPORT—UNDER SECRETARY OF AGRICULTURE

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: In executive session the committee heard Secretary of Agriculture Brannan discuss the agricultural situation with respect to storage problems, price support, Commodity Credit Charter, and departmental reorganization.

The nomination of Albert J. Loveland to be Under Secretary of Agriculture was ordered reported with recommendations that it be confirmed.

SUBCOMMITTEES—PROXY VOTING

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Following an executive session on January 19, the chairman announced the membership of the following standing subcommittees to handle any proposed legislation for the Eighty-first Congress coming within their respective jurisdictions: Subcommittee To Investigate Wildlife Conservation: Senators Eastland, chairman, Taylor, and Schoeppel; Subcommittee To Study Intergovernmental Relations: Senators Taylor, chairman, Long, Humphrey, Smith of Maine, and Schoeppel; Subcommittee on Relations With International Organizations: Senators O'Conor, chairman, Hoey, Humphrey, Vandenberg, and Ives; and Subcommittee on Senate Investigations: Senators Hoey, chairman, O'Conor, Eastland, Long, McCarthy, Mundt, and Smith of Maine.

Committee also adopted a committee resolution permitting restricted proxy voting as follows: "When a record vote is taken in committee on any bill, resolution, amendment, or other question, a majority of the members being present, a member who is unable to attend the meeting may submit his vote by proxy, in writing."

The chairman announced public hearings on S. 170, transfer of certain land to the Secretary of Interior, which will be held on January 25.

TRANSPORTATION COSTS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee opened hearings on S. 236, to formulate a policy as to transportation costs in interstate commerce, to promote competition, and to strengthen the antitrust laws, receiving testimony from Secretary of Commerce Sawyer, Chairman of the Interstate Commerce Commission Mehaffey, and Ewin L. Davis, member of the FTC. Secretary Sawyer said, "I endorse the general purpose of this bill to remove, so far as possible, the existing confusion as to what businessmen may do legitimately in pricing their products." Mr. Mehaffey stated to the committee that the ICC believes that they promote competition by permitting freight rates to be such that sellers can compete in different markets, and he thought it would be disastrous if the ICC cannot permit freight rate structures such as to promote competition. Mr. Davis said that he thought no clarifying legislation was needed.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

U. S. ATTORNEYS AND CLAIMS AGAINST THE GOVERNMENT

Committee on the Judiciary: In executive session the committee approved six nominations and six bills, ordering them reported. The bills approved were: With amendment, S. 29, relative to claims for damage to property deposited by enemy aliens or United States citizens of Japanese ancestry; S. 15, to close loophole so as to make it unlawful to collect a fee for referring persons seeking jobs to Federal employing officers; and four private immigration bills (S. 26, 32, 90 with amendment, and 27 with amendments).

Three nominations for United States attorneys were approved as follows: Miles N. Pike for district in Nevada, William Marvel for district in Delaware, and Gilmore S. Haynie for northern district in Indiana, and three marshals. Subcommittee meets tomorrow on nominations.

TAFT-HARTLEY REPEAL—LIBRARY BILL—NOMINATIONS

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: By a vote of 8 to 5, the committee adopted the following committee resolution:

"It is hereby resolved by this committee that the Taft-Hartley law be repealed and that the National Labor Relations Act, known as the Wagner Act, be restored as it existed at the time of the enactment of the Taft-Hartley bill with the single amendment as it stands in the Thomas bill (S. 249), which continues the National Labor Relations Board as a five-man body as it now exists; that hearings begin forthwith on amendments to the Wagner Act consistent with the proposals made by the President; that said hearings be closed not later than February 10, 1949; and that the bill for the repeal of the Taft-Hartley law be then reported to the Senate with such amendment or amendments to the Wagner Act as the committee may deem wise."

It was announced that hearings on S. 249 would begin on Friday of this week, if possible. The committee will meet on next Monday at 3 p. m. on Federal aid to education.

By unanimous vote, the committee ordered reported the following nominations: Maurice J. Tobin, of Massachusetts, to be Secretary of Labor; Ralph Wright, of New York, to be Assistant Secretary of Labor; John M. Houston, of Kansas, to be member of NLRB; Frank P. Douglas, of Oklahoma, to be member of National Mediation Board; along with 493 routine nominations in the Public Health Service.

The committee named Earl B. Wixcey to be clerk of the committee and Philip R. Rodgers to be the assistant clerk.

On Friday, January 21, the committee ordered reported S. 130, to provide for demonstration of public library service. The committee also discussed proposed legislation on Federal aid to education.

CLOTURE RULE

Committee on Rules and Administration: The committee began its announced hearings on various resolutions proposing to amend the cloture rule (S. Res. 11, 12, 13, 15, and 19) and received testimony by Senator Morse in support of his resolution on this subject (S. Res. 12). Hearings continue tomorrow.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced:

January 20.—Fifteen public bills, H. R. 1682–1696; six private bills, H. R. 1697–1702, and two resolutions, H. J. Res. 99 and H. Res. 58, were introduced. Page 479

January 24.—Seventy-nine public bills, H. R. 1703–1781; thirty-seven private bills, H. R. 1782–1818; and eight resolutions, H. J. Res. 100–106 and H. Res. 59, were introduced. Pages 530–532

Inaugural Ceremonies: Pursuant to H. Res. 55 the House convened at 11:30 a. m. on Thursday, January

20, and attended the inaugural ceremonies, following which the House adjourned at 12:57 p. m., until 12 o'clock noon Monday, January 24. Page 479

Joint Committee on Economic Report: The Speaker announced the appointment of Representatives Hart, Patman, Huber, Buchanan, Wolcott, Herter, and Rich to the Joint Committee on the Economic Report.

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Committee Meetings

COTTON

Committee on Agriculture: On January 19, held an open meeting on the cotton quota situation and heard testimony of the following officials representing the Department of Agriculture: Frank Wooley, Deputy Administrator of the Production and Marketing Administration, and C. D. Walker, Director, Cotton Branch of the Production and Marketing Administration. Adjourned until Tuesday, January 25.

ORGANIZATION

Committee on Banking and Currency: Met in executive session for the purpose of organizing the committee and its staff for the Eighty-first Congress.

GOVERNMENT REORGANIZATION

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Frederick J. Lawton, Assistant Director of the Bureau of the Budget, testified before this group at its initial hearing on H. R. 1569, providing for the reorganization of Government agencies. He favored this newly proposed legislation as one which "provides a simplified method for revising the organization of the Government through the cooperation of the President and the Congress." He also outlined the principal differences between the 1945 Reorganization Act and the bill presently being considered. Hearings continue tomorrow.

JUDICIARY

Committee on the Judiciary: On January 19, held executive session on the organization of the committee and staff for the Eighty-first Congress. Will resume on same subject Thursday, January 27.

PUBLIC LANDS

Committee on Public Lands: Full committee organized and adopted four resolutions relative to delegating authority to the chairman and subcommittees for the expeditious handling of legislation referred to it, and the establishment of necessary committee staffs. Also agreed that the second and fourth Tuesday of each month would be fixed for regular meeting days. Next meeting to be announced later.

RECIPROCAL TRADE AGREEMENTS

Committee on Ways and Means: Held open hearings on H. R. 1211, to extend the authority of the President to enter into foreign trade agreements, under section 350 of the Tariff Act of 1930, for a period of 3 years from June 12, 1948. Testifying before the group were the following witnesses, all of whom endorsed the bill: Hon. Willard L. Thorp, Assistant Secretary of State; Russell Smith, legislative secretary, National Farmers Union; Mrs. C. D. Wright, legislative counsel, General Federation of Women's Clubs, Washington, D. C.; Benjamin C. Marsh, executive secretary, People's Lobby, Inc., Washington, D. C.; Mrs. Laura P. Morgan, chairman, governmental information, Women's Action Committee for Lasting Peace; and Mrs. Margaret F. Stone, chairman of legislation, Women's National Trade Union League. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

Tuesday, January 25, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate groups approved bills on relief for storm-bound States and commemorative stamps, and appointed subcommittee to consider pay-increase bills.

Senate

Chamber Action

The Senate was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Thursday, January 27, at 12 noon.

Committee Meetings

VOLUNTARY AGREEMENTS—COMPTROLLER OF CURRENCY

Committee on Banking and Currency: The nomination of Preston Delano, of Massachusetts, to be Comptroller of Currency was ordered favorably reported to the Senate.

The following witnesses testified generally in support of S. 547, to continue through September 30, 1949, certain authority of President for voluntary agreements and plans embodied in Public Law 395 of the Eightieth Congress: Secretary of Commerce Sawyer; A. W. Crowley, president, McNamar & Crowley, manufacturers of tank and oil-field production equipment, Salem, Ill.; and Colin Timmons, president, Superior Tank Co., of Los Angeles.

The committee meets again tomorrow in executive session to vote on reporting this measure to the Senate.

PUBLIC LAND TRANSFER

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Committee held hearings on S. 170, to transfer certain property to the Secretary of the Interior, with the following witnesses testifying in favor of the bill: Jess Larson, WAA Administrator; and William Zimmerman, Jr., Commissioner, Willard W. Beatty, Director, Division of Education, and John Helfrich, Associate Chief, Construction Division, all of the Bureau of Indian Affairs, Interior Department.

Senator Watkins urged passage of the bill, but suggested an amendment to authorize the transfer "without exchange of funds." Today's executive session was canceled.

Hearings are expected to begin sometime next week on S. 526, to provide for the reorganization of Government agencies.

UNDER SECRETARY OF STATE—PALESTINE REFUGEES—SWISS CLAIMS

Committee on Foreign Relations: By a vote of 11 to 0, the committee ordered favorably reported the nomination of James E. Webb to be Under Secretary of State.

Committee considered S. J. Res. 36, to authorize a special contribution by the United States to the UN for the relief of Palestine refugees, but postponed action on the resolution for 1 week. It also considered S. 612, Swiss bombing claims, and will bring the issue up at its meeting on next Tuesday.

The committee expects to start hearings on the ECA on February 8.

STORM ASSISTANCE

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: The committee agreed to report with amendments S. J. Res. 38, relative to Federal assistance to storm-bound States. The bill, as approved, carries authorization for $750,000 in aid, rather than $500,000.

TRANSPORTATION COSTS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee continued hearings on S. 236, to formulate a policy as to transportation costs in interstate commerce, to promote competition, and to strengthen the antitrust laws, receiving testimony from the following witnesses: H. Thomas Austern, counsel, National Canners Association; Edward R. Johnston, American Bar Association; Joseph T. King, counsel, National Retail Lumber Dealers Association; Herbert A. Bergson, Assistant Attorney General, Antitrust Division; and Allen C. Phelps, Robert B. Dawkins, and Joseph Sheehy, attorneys for FTC. Hearings continue tomorrow.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on the Judiciary: The following nominations were ordered reported by the subcommittee to the full committee: Angel R. de Jesus and Luis Negron Fernandez to be chief justice and associate justice, respectively, of the Supreme Court of Puerto Rico; Roy W. Harper, judge of eastern and western districts of Missouri; Thomas Patrick Thornton, judge of eastern district of Michigan; F. Ryan Duffey, judge of U. S. Circuit Court of Appeals; Paul P. Rao, judge of U. S. Customs Court; Wilson Warlick, judge of western district of North Carolina; James T. Foley, judge of northern district of New York; and William T. McCarthy, district judge for Massachusetts. The nomination of Edward Allen Tamm and Herbert W. Erskine to be associate justice of the U. S. District Court for D. C. and judge of the northern district of California, respectively, were referred to subcommittee for hearings. At the request of Senator Langer it was determined that a second hearing will be held on the nominations of Edward A. Towse and Samuel Hamilton Kaufman to be second judge of First Circuit Court of Hawaii and judge for southern district of New York, respectively.

PAY BILLS, FREEDOM TRAIN, AND NOMINATIONS

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: The committee unanimously voted to report the nomination of James M. Mitchell to be a member of the CSC.

Two measures were ordered reported as follows: S. 492, issuance of commemorative stamp of two-hundredth anniversary of Alexandria, Va., and S. J. Res. 22, issuance of commemorative stamp for the three-hundredth anniversary of Annapolis, Md.

A subcommittee consisting of Senators McKellar, Neely, Frear, Ecton, and Hendrickson was appointed to inquire into the merits of S. J. Res. 31, providing for continuation of Freedom Train for 2 years. A subcommittee consisting of Senators O'Conor, Long, Broughton, Baldwin, and Flanders was named to consider the three pay bills, S. 498, salary increase for heads of Government departments; S. 558, salary increase for field postal employees; and S. 559, salary increase for Government employees, including D. C.

A subcommittee consisting of Senators Neely, Broughton, Frear, Langer, and Baldwin was appointed to give further consideration to proposed legislation designed to standardize the creating of space for operation of cafeterias in Federal buildings.

CLOTURE RULE

Committee on Rules and Administration: Committee continued hearings on various resolutions to amend the cloture rule (S. Res. 11, 12, 13, 15, and 19) and received further testimony by Senator Morse in support of his resolution, S. Res. 12; Senator Pepper testified in support of his resolution, S. Res. 19; and Senators Saltonstall and Ferguson testified in support of S. Res. 13. Hearings continue tomorrow.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Thirty-four public bills, H. R. 1819–1852; twenty-six private bills, H. R. 1853–1878; and seven resolutions, H. J. Res. 107–111, and H. Res. 60 and 61, were introduced. Pages 539–540

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. Res. 45, authorizing employment of three messengers by Committee on Ways and Means (H. Rept. 2);

H. Res. 23, authorizing payment of death gratuity to widow of deceased House employee (H. Rept. 3);

H. Res. 42, authorizing payment of death gratuity to widow of deceased House employee (H. Rept. 4); and

H. R. 1252, amending Legislative Reorganization Act of 1946 relative to the hiring of former professional staff members of congressional committees by the executive branch of the Government (H. Rept. 5). Page 539

Committee Messengers: Adopted H. Res. 45, authorizing the employment of three messengers by the Committee on Ways and Means. Page 535

Deceased House Employees: Adopted H. Res. 23 and 42, providing for payment of death gratuities to widows of recently deceased employees of the House. Page 535

Professional Staff Members: Passed H. R. 1252, amending the Legislative Reorganization Act of 1946 so as to permit the executive branch of the Government to employ former professional staff members of congressional committees at any time after they cease to be such members. Pages 535–536

Rereferral of bill: Committee on Banking and Currency was discharged from consideration of H. R. 1551, authorizing grants and loans to States to assist in providing adequate public elementary and secondary school facilities, and the bill was referred to the Committee on Education and Labor. Page 533

Committee Meetings

COTTON

Committee on Agriculture: Resumed hearings on national cotton problems and heard testimony of Ralph Trigg, Director, Production and Marketing Administration, Department of Agriculture, who stated "that the Department recommended that 1949 acreage be excluded permanently in establishing acreage on all basic commodities except tobacco and peanuts." Will continue tomorrow on same subject at 10:30 a. m., following an executive meeting which has been scheduled for 9:30 a. m.

ARMED SERVICES

Committee on Armed Services: Held organizational meeting and set up subcommittees and appointed professional staff and clerical employees. Adjourned until Thursday, January 27, on which date hearings will begin on H. R. 1437, the Army-Air Force composition bill.

GOVERNMENT REORGANIZATION

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Continued hearings on H. R. 1569, providing for the reorganization of Government agencies. Lindsay C. Warren, Comptroller General, was the only witness; and in his statement before the group he strongly favored and recommended the legislation under consideration. Adjourned until Monday, January 31.

HOUSE ADMINISTRATION

Committee on House Administration: Held organizational meeting and set up its subcommittees. Designated the second Wednesday of each month as the regular committee meeting day. Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

INTERSTATE AND FOREIGN COMMERCE

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Held organizational meeting and agreed to set up subcommittees. Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

SHIP SALES—FLAG-SHIP CARGOES

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Opened public hearings on H. R. 1340, providing for U. S.-flag shipping participation in Government-financed cargoes, and H. J. Res. 92, to continue the authority of the Maritime Commission to sell and charter war-built vessels under the Merchant Ship Sales Act of 1946. Frazer A. Bailey, president, National Federation of Merchant Shipping, and Wilbur E. Dow, Jr., representing the American Tramp Shipowners Institute, New York, spoke in favor of both measures. Endorsing H. R. 1340 were Admiral W. W. Smith, Chairman, and Grenville Mellon, Commissioner, both of the Maritime Commission; and Richard R. Ely, State Department, and Hoyt Haddock, CIO Maritime Committee, testified on behalf of the joint resolution. Hearings continue tomorrow.

Previous to the open hearings, the committee held an executive meeting for organizational purposes.

PUBLIC WORKS

Committee on Public Works: Held organization meeting and set up subcommittees. Designated the first and third Tuesdays of each month as regular committee meeting days, and adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

VETERANS' AFFAIRS

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Held organizational meeting and appointed professional staff and clerical employees, also announced committee meeting on January 27 for the purpose of hearing service organizations present their legislative programs.

RECIPROCAL TRADE AGREEMENTS

Committee on Ways and Means: Continued public hearings on H. R. 1211, to extend the authority of the President to enter into foreign trade agreements, under section 350 of the Tariff Act of 1930, for a period of 3 years from June 12, 1948. The committee heard testimony from the following witnesses, all of whom favored the legislation: Morris S. Rosenthal, president, National Council of American Importers, Inc., New York City; Charles P. Taft, Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America; David M. Keiser, chairman, United States Cuban Sugar Council, New York City; Walter J. Mason, national legislative representative, American Federation of Labor, and Stanley H. Ruttenberg, director of research, Congress of Industrial Organizations, both of Washington, D. C.; and Hon. William L. Clayton, of Houston, Tex. Hearings continue tomorrow.

Thursday, January 27, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

Both Houses cleared disaster-relief appropriations for President.
Senate passed authorization bill for relief of storm-bound States.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 541–569

Bills Introduced: 64 bills and 17 resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 649 to S. 712; S. J. Res. 39 to S. J. Res. 42; S. Con. Res. 9 to S. Con. Res. 11; S. Res. 35 to S. Res. 44. Pages 549, 550, 566, 600–604

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

Report on progress of the European Cooperation Administration, by Joint Committee on Foreign Economic Cooperation (S. Rept. 13);

S. Res. 33, relative to hearings before Banking and Currency Committee, with amendment (S. Rept. 14);

S. J. Res. 22, issuance of commemorative stamp for the three-hundredth anniversary of Annapolis, Md. (S. Rept. 20);

S. 278, to prevent retroactive checkage of payments erroneously made to certain retired Naval Reserve officers (S. Rept. 21);

S. 547, to continue through September 30, 1949, certain authority of the President for voluntary agreements and plans as embodied in Public Law 395 of the Eightieth Congress (S. Rept. 23);

S. J. Res. 38, Federal assistance to storm-bound States (S. Rept. 24); H. J. Res. 112, disaster relief (no written report); and

The following private bills: S. 307, S. 315, S. 331, S. 335, S. 485, and S. 279 (S. Repts. 15–19, 22, respectively).

Favorable report of Committee on Foreign Relations on nomination of James E. Webb to be Under Secretary of State (Ex. Rept. 2). Pages 543, 547

Bills Referred: Three House-passed bills were referred to appropriate committees. Pages 550, 598

Rereferral of Bill: The Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs was discharged from further consideration of S. 210, to retrocede to New Mexico exclusive jurisdiction held by the United States over lands within boundaries of Los Alamos atomic energy project, and the bill was rereferred to the Joint Committee on Atomic Energy. Page 568

President's Message: Proposed legislation by the administration to authorize an appropriation for special contribution by U. S. to the UN for relief of Palestine refugees was received. Page 541

Savannah River: Report from Chief of Engineers, U. S. Army, on a review of reports on the Savannah River, Ga., and S. C., was ordered printed as a Senate Document. Page 568

Boards of Visitors: Senators McMahon and Tobey were named as members of the Board of Visitors to the U. S. Coast Guard Academy, and Senators O'Conor and Bricker to the Board of Visitors to the U. S. Merchant Marine Academy. Page 541

Small Business Committee: Senate adopted S. Res. 28, to provide $12,668 for the Senate Special Small Business Committee to wind up its business as of January 31, 1949.

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Federal Assistance to Storm-Bound States: S. J. Res. 38, relative to Federal assistance to storm-bound States, was passed with amendments. Amendments adopted include: Watkins amendment raising authorization from $750,000 (amount of committee substitute) to $3,000,000; Gurney amendment authorizing Government agencies to open highways from farms to markets in addition to breaking trails through snow-bound areas; and O'Mahoney amendment to the preamble pointing out that the Bureau of Land Management and the Bureau of Reclamation have already made certain expenditures toward assistance of affected areas.

Pages 573–582

Disaster Relief: Senate passed H. J. Res. 112, authorizing an additional appropriation of $500,000 to the President's disaster-relief fund for fiscal year 1949, particularly for snow-bound States. The Vice President was authorized to sign the measure notwithstanding the adjournment of the Senate. Page 582

Condolence Resolution: S. Res. 43, expressing sorrow at the death of Rev. Peter Marshall, Senate Chaplain, was adopted. Page 602

Confirmations: The nominations of James E. Webb, of North Carolina, to be Under Secretary of State, and Albert J. Loveland, of Iowa, to be Under Secretary of Agriculture, were confirmed, along with 8 other civilians, 8,367 Army, 1,631 Air Force, and 3,365 Navy.

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Nominations: The following nominations were received: 75 Army, 9,484 Air Force, and 85 civilian. One was withdrawn. Pages 604–639

Committee Meetings

APPROPRIATION SUBCOMMITTEE

Committee on Appropriations: The committee agreed to make the following appointments to its subcommittees. The subcommittees and the membership of each are as follows:

To the *Subcommittee on Department of Agriculture:* Senators Russell, Hayden, O'Mahoney, McCarran, Chavez, Maybank, Hill, Kilgore, Reed, Gurney, Ferguson, Cordon, and Young;

To the *Subcommittee on Armed Services:* Senators Thomas of Oklahoma, Hayden, Russell, O'Mahoney, Chavez, McCarran, Maybank, Hill, McClellan, Robertson, Gurney, Bridges, Reed, Ferguson, Wherry, Cordon, and Saltonstall;

To the *Subcommittee on Deficiencies and Army Civil Functions:* Senators McKellar, Hayden, Russell, Thomas of Oklahoma, Maybank, Ellender, McClellan, Robertson, Bridges, Gurney, Ferguson, Cordon, and Reed;

To the *Subcommittee on District of Columbia:* Senators Hill, O'Mahoney, Kilgore, McClellan, Young, Reed, and Saltonstall;

To the *Subcommittee on Independent Offices:* Senators O'Mahoney, Russell, McKellar, Thomas of Oklahoma, Maybank, Hill, Robertson, Ferguson, Bridges, Cordon, Saltonstall, and Wherry;

To the *Subcommittee on Department of the Interior:* Senators Hayden, Thomas of Oklahoma, O'Mahoney, McCarran, Chavez, McKellar, Ellender, Wherry, Gurney, Cordon, Reed, and Young;

To the *Subcommittee on Labor-Federal Security:* Senators Chavez, McCarran, Russell, Thomas of Oklahoma, Ellender, Hill, Ferguson, Gurney, Wherry, and Young;

To the *Subcommittee on Legislative Branch:* Senators Ellender, Chavez, McKellar, Kilgore, Bridges, Saltonstall, and Young;

To the *Subcommittee on Departments of State, Justice, Commerce, and the Judiciary:* Senators McCarran, McKellar, Ellender, Hill, Kilgore, McClellan, Robertson, Saltonstall, Bridges, Wherry, Ferguson, and Gurney; and

To the *Subcommittee on Treasury and Post Office:* Senators Maybank, Hayden, Kilgore, McClellan, Robertson, Cordon, Reed, Bridges, and Saltonstall.

The ex officio members representing legislative committees to the subcommittees handling the comparable appropriation bill are named by the respective legislative committees. Their names are not included above.

The committee also unanimously voted to report H. J. Res. 112, authorizing an additional appropriation of $500,000 to the President's disaster relief fund for fiscal year 1949, particularly for relief of storm-bound States.

NOMINATIONS—CLAIMS BILLS

Committee on Armed Services: In executive session on January 26, the committee ordered reported favorably, without amendment, S. 278, to prevent retroactive checkage of payments erroneously made to certain retired Naval Reserve officers, and S. 279, private bill. It also reported favorably approximately 13,200 nominations of officers in the Army, Navy, and Air Force. A brief explanation of the procedures followed by the three services in the selection of officers and the submission of nominations was made to the committee by Maj. Gen. John Dahlquist of the Army, Lt. Gen. Idwal Edwards of the Air Force, and Rear Adm. C. C. Hartman of the Navy.

VOLUNTARY AGREEMENTS—RFC NOMINATION

Committee on Banking and Currency: On January 26 the committee, in executive session, unanimously reported without amendment S. 547, to continue through September 30, 1949, certain authority of the President for voluntary agreements and plans as embodied in Public Law 395 of the Eightieth Congress. Before voting to report the bill, the committee, by a vote of 8 to 2, rejected a motion by Senator Bricker to amend the bill to extend the law through March 31, 1950.

The nomination of William E. Willett, of Maryland, to be a member of the Board of Directors of the RFC for a term expiring June 30, 1950, was unanimously ordered reported.

TRANSPORTATION COSTS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: On January 26 the Subcommittee on Transportation Costs in Interstate Commerce continued hearings on S. 236, to formulate a policy as to transportation costs in interstate commerce, to promote competition, and to strengthen the antitrust laws, and received testimony from the following witnesses: Ray Williams, Associated Industries of Massachusetts; Andrew H. Brown, Cleveland Chamber of Commerce; Birger Engstrom, Pittsburgh Chamber of Commerce; Angus McDonald, National Farmers Union; and Edward Zimmerman, of Zimmerman & Norman, lawyers, Chicago. The committee adjourned subject to the call of the Chair.

FEDERAL JUDGESHIPS

Committee on the Judiciary: In executive session the committee agreed to report to the Senate the following nominations: F. Ryan Duffy, of Wisconsin, to be circuit judge of the U. S. Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit; Luis Negron Fernandez to be associate justice of the Supreme Court of Puerto Rico; James T. Foley to be district judge of the northern district of New York; Roy W. Harper to be U. S. district judge for the eastern and western districts of Missouri; Angel R. de Jesus to be Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Puerto Rico; Samuel Hamilton Kaufman to be U. S. district judge for the southern district of New York; William T. McCarthy to be U. S. district judge for the district of Massachusetts; Paul P. Rao to be judge of the U. S. Customs Court; Thomas Patrick Thornton to be U. S. district judge for the eastern district of Michigan; and Wilson Warlick to be U. S. district judge for the western district of North Carolina; together with four U. S. attorneys and three U. S. marshals.

On January 26 a subcommittee agreed to defer further consideration of the nominations of Albert M. Cristy and Willson C. Moore to be circuit court judges of Hawaii for a sufficient time for a Mr. Kauhane of the Territorial Legislature of Hawaii to furnish data or information for committee use, on which to base its decision. The subcommittee agreed to report to the full committee the nomination of Samuel Hamilton Kaufman, which was approved by the full committee as mentioned above.

CLOTURE RULE—SMALL BUSINESS

Committee on Rules and Administration: On January 26 the committee continued its hearings on pending resolutions to amend the cloture rule (S. Res. 11, 12, 13, 15, and 19), receiving testimony by Senators Stennis and Sparkman in opposition to the resolutions. Hearings continue Friday.

In executive session the committee agreed to report favorably to the Senate S. Res. 28, to provide $12,668 for the Senate Special Small Business Committee to wind up its business as of January 31, 1949.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Ninety-five public bills, H. R. 1879–1974; twenty private bills, H. R. 1975–1994; and sixteen resolutions, H. J. Res. 112–120, H. Con. Res. 20, and H. Res. 62–67, were introduced. Pages 664–666

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. J. Res. 88, extending time for free entry of certain articles imported to promote international good will (H. Rept. 6);

H. J. Res. 112, making an additional appropriation for disaster relief (H. Rept. 7); and

H. R. 1660, to continue through September 30, 1949, certain authority of the President for voluntary agreements and plans (H. Rept. 8). Pages 663–664

House Employees: Adopted H. Res. 62, providing for certain additional clerical positions in the House of Representatives. Pages 640–641

Duty-Free Imports: Adopted H. J. Res. 88, extending the time for free entry of certain articles imported to promote international good will. The measure as passed was amended to extend the time to June 30, 1949.

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Disaster Relief: Suspended the rules and adopted H. J. Res. 112, authorizing an additional appropriation of $500,000 to the President's disaster-relief fund for the fiscal year 1949. Pages 641–644

Committee on the Disposition of Executive Papers: Adopted H. Res. 63, setting up the membership of the Committee on the Disposition of Executive Papers which shall consist of two members of the Committee on House Administration, to be appointed by the Speaker. Subsequently the Speaker appointed Representatives Garmatz and Bishop to the committee. Page 654

Joint Committee Memberships: Adopted H. Res. 64, electing members of the following joint committees of Congress:

Joint Committee on Printing: Representatives Norton, Deane, and LeCompte.

Joint Committee of Congress on the Library: Representatives Norton, Regan, Albert, LeCompte, and Bishop.

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Pursuant to provisions of Public Law 585 (79th Cong.) the Speaker appointed as members of the Joint Committee on Atomic Energy the following members on the part of the House: Representatives Durham, Holifield, Price, Kilday, Jackson of Washington, Cole of New York, Elston, Hinshaw, and Van Zandt. Page 654

Palestine Refugee Relief: Received message from the President relative to an appropriation for a special contribution by the United States to the United Nations for the relief of Palestine refugees. The message was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs and ordered printed as a House document (H. Doc. 46). Page 654

Committee Meetings

ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING—COTTON

Committee on Agriculture: Held organizational meeting, adopted rules of legislative procedure, and elected the committee staff. Will meet in executive session tomorrow.

On January 26 the full committee resumed hearings on national cotton problems and heard Charles F. Brannan, Secretary of Agriculture, who stated that the Department of Agriculture recommends that 1949 acreage be excluded permanently in establishing acreage on all basic commodities except tobacco and peanuts. Additional witnesses from the Department of Agriculture were: Frank Wooley, Assistant Director, Production and Marketing Administration; and C. D. Walker, Director, and John Dean, Assistant Director, of the Cotton Branch of Production and Marketing Administration.

The Subcommittee on Cotton met on January 26 to hear John Dean, Assistant Director, and Elgia D. Bell, agricultural economist in charge of adjustment program, both of the Cotton Branch of Production and Marketing Administration, Department of Agriculture. Hearings continue tomorrow.

ARMY-AIR FORCE COMPOSITION

Committee on Armed Services: Met to consider H. R. 1437, Army and Air Force composition bill, and heard Kenneth C. Royall, Secretary of the Army, and Gen. Omar Bradley, Chief of Staff, USA, testify in support of the measure. Hearings continue tomorrow.

EXTENSION OF VOLUNTARY AGREEMENTS

Committee on Banking and Currency: Met to consider H. R. 1660, to continue through September 30, 1949, certain authority conferred on the President by section 2 of Public Law 395, regarding voluntary agreements and plans. Charles Sawyer, Secretary of Commerce, spoke in support of the bill, stating that such interim extension was "necessary to preserve the full benefits of the voluntary agreements in effect on March 1, 1949, and to permit entering into such new agreements as might provide substantial benefits before September 30, 1949, pending consideration of the broader stabilization program which is expected to be submitted to the Congress soon." Following the testimony of Mr. Sawyer, the committee ordered the bill reported to the House as introduced.

D. C. FISCAL AFFAIRS

Committee on the District of Columbia: Subcommittee on Fiscal Affairs held an executive session to discuss fiscal affairs of the District of Columbia with certain officials of the D. C. Government.

LABOR

Committee on Education and Labor: Met to discuss proposed amendments to the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 and heard the testimony of Maurice J. Tobin, Secretary of Labor, and William R. McComb, Administrator of Wage and Hour and Public Contracts Division, Department of Labor. Hearings continue tomorrow.

On January 26 the committee held an organizational meeting and approved membership of the professional staff with the exception of the general counsel for the committee.

FLAG-SHIP CARGOES

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Met for further consideration of H. R. 1340, providing for U. S.-flag shipping participation in Government-financed cargoes, and heard L. W. Parry, Jr., president, Parry Lines, Inc., who opposed the bill, and Seth Levine, CIO Maritime Committee, who favored the bill with certain amendments. Committee will resume hearings on February 2.

On January 26 the committee continued hearings on H. R. 1340 and H. J. Res. 92, the latter to continue the authority of the Maritime Commission to sell and charter war-built vessels under the Merchant Ship Sales Act of 1946. On H. J. Res. 92 the following witnesses were heard: Marvin J. Coles, representing Dichman, Wright & Pugh; W. B. Garner, executive vice president, Waterman Steamship Corp., who opposed the bill; Donald S. Morrison, vice president, American-Hawaiian Steamship Corp.; Swend Hansen, president, Fall River Line; and John J. O'Connor. Witnesses heard on H. R. 1340 were as follows: Daniel T. Buckley, Coal Exporters Association; F. F. Estes, Coal Exporters Association; Wilbur F. Dow, Jr.; and Paul A. Sullivan, Chief of Operations Division, U. S. Maritime Commission.

FREEDOM TRAIN

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Held hearings on H. J. Res. 84, to provide for the acquisition and operation of the Freedom Train by the Archivist of the United States, and heard the following witnesses who testified in favor of the bill: Attorney General Tom Clark; Representative John McCormack; Dr. Wayne C. Grover, Archivist of the United States; Verner W. Clapp, Chief Assistant Librarian, Library of Congress; and Joseph O'Donohue, director, American Heritage Foundation. This concludes the public hearings on this measure.

VETERANS' LEGISLATIVE PROGRAMS

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Representatives of the American Legion and Veterans of Foreign Wars appeared before the Committee to present their 1949 legislative programs. Col. John Thomas Taylor, Legion national legislative representative, presented members of his committee who outlined the proposals submitted for consideration. Lyall T. Beggs, national commander, Veterans of Foreign Wars, and Omar B. Ketchum, VFW legislative director, urged favorable consideration of their program. The committee also discussed H. R. 1693, granting pensions to veterans of World War I and II. Committee will resume discussion of H. R. 1693 on February 1.

RECIPROCAL TRADE AGREEMENTS

Committee on Ways and Means: Continued public hearings on H. R. 1211, to extend the authority of the President to enter into foreign-trade agreements, under section 350 of the Tariff Act of 1930, for a period of 3 years from June 12, 1948. The committee heard testimony from the following witnesses, all of whom opposed the legislation; Representative Lane, representing the textile industry; Representative Peterson, representing the sponge industry; Representative Mack, representing the tree nut manufacturers; Patrick McHugh, secretary-treasurer, Atlantic Fishermen's Union, Boston, Mass.; Richard H. Anthony, secretary, American Tariff League; Albert S. Goss, master, National Grange; Harry H. Cook, president, American Flint Glass Workers' Union, Toledo, Ohio; Lamonte Graw, Fruit and Vegetable Committee for Florida; C. T. Murchison, president, Cotton Textile Institute, Inc., New York City; Carl H. Wilken, economic analyst, Raw Materials National Council, and Robert F. Martin, executive secretary, Vitrified China Association, Inc., both of Washington, D. C.

On January 26 the committee held hearings on the above legislation and heard the following witnesses in opposition to the bill: Dr. John L. Coulter, National Renderers Association; Arthur Besse, president, National Association of Wool Manufacturers; Marion R. Garstang, counsel, National Cooperative Milk Producers Federation; O. R. Strackbein, executive secretary, America's Wage Earners' Protective Conference; L. Dan Jones, attorney, Independent Petroleum Association of America; H. L. Coe, Bicycle Institute of America; Representative Bates of Massachusetts, representing the New England Industries; Thomas D. Rice, executive secretary, Massachusetts Fisheries Association, Inc.; Edmund O'Neil, Sea Food Producers, New Bedford, Mass.; and L. J. Hart, Gloucester Fisheries Association, Gloucester, Mass.

Joint Committee Meetings

ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

Joint Committee on the Economic Report: The committee on January 26, in executive session, elected Senator O'Mahoney as chairman and Representative Hart as vice chairman.

Senator O'Mahoney announced that Secretary of Agriculture Brannan would be invited to appear before the committee to discuss the legislative program contained in the Economic Report of the President. Members of the Council of Economic Advisers will be asked to appear to develop and explain the background materials of the President's report as presented in the Annual Economic Review which accompanies that report. It is expected that the hearings will begin Tuesday, February 8.

The present members of the committee follow: Senators O'Mahoney (chairman), Myers, Sparkman, Douglas, Taft, Flanders, and Watkins; and Representatives Hart (vice chairman), Patman, Huber, Buchanan, Wolcott, Rich, and Herter.

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HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed voluntary agreements extension.
Senate group opened hearings on Taft-Hartley repeal.
House group concluded hearings on Government-agency reorganization bill.

Senate

Chamber Action

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Bills Introduced: Forty-five bills and eleven resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 713 to S. 757; S. J. Res. 43 to S. J. Res. 48; S. Con. Res. 12 to S. Con. Res. 14; and S. Res. 45 and 46. Pages 671–672, 673–674

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

Final report of Special Small Business Committee entitled "Oil Supply and Distribution Problems" (S. Rept. 25);

S. 460, to reconvey tract of land to Helena, Mont., Chamber of Commerce now held by the VA (S. Rept. 26);

H. J. Res. 88, extending time for free entry of certain articles imported to promote international good will (S. Rept. 27);

S. 492, issuance of commemorative stamp of two-hundredth anniversary of Alexandria, Va. (S. Rept. 28);

S. 372, designating the veterans' hospital at Americus, Ga., as the Marcus George Veterans Memorial Hospital (S. Rept. 29); and

S. Res. 35, providing for printing of 2,400 additional copies of S. Doc. 208 of the Eightieth Congress for use of Committee on Finance (no written report). Page 670

Water Use Compact: Official papers on compact entered into among States of Arizona, Colorado, New Mexico, Utah, and Wyoming respecting water uses and deliveries of the Upper Colorado River Basin was ordered to be printed as S. Doc. 8. Page 674

Independent Business: Special Small Business Committee report entitled "Independent Business—Its Struggle for Existence" was ordered printed as S. Doc. 7. Page 671

Small Business: Special Small Business Committee was given through February 15, 1949, to file the remainder of its final reports. Page 671

Rereferral of Bills: Committee on Armed Services was discharged from further consideration of S. J. Res. 32, regarding release of agreement between port of Seattle and U. S., and the bill was rereferred to the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce. Committee on Finance was discharged from further consideration of S. 672, regarding educational benefits for veterans, which was rereferred to the Committee on Labor and Public Welfare. Committee on Finance was also discharged from further consideration of S. 529, to promote maximum employment, business opportunities, and careers in a free competitive economy, and it was rereferred to the Committe on Banking and Currency. Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs was discharged from further consideration of S. 152, to retrocede to New Mexico exclusive jurisdiction held by the U. S. over lands within boundaries of Los Alamos atomic energy project, and it was rereferred to the Joint Committee on Atomic Energy. Pages 674–675

Free Imports: Senate passed and cleared for the White House H. J. Res. 88, extending time for free entry of certain articles imported to promote international good will. Pages 677–678

Printing: Adopted S. Res. 35, providing for printing of 2,400 additional copies of S. Doc. 208 of the Eightieth Congress for use of Committee on Finance. Page 670

Voluntary Agreements: By voice vote Senate passed S. 547, to continue through September 30, 1949, certain authority of the President for voluntary agreements and plans as embodied in Public Law 395 of the Eightieth Congress, after rejecting by a vote of 31 yeas to 48 nays an amendment offered by Senator Bricker to extend the date until March 31, 1950. Pages 677–702, 710–711

Joint Committee on Economic Cooperation: Joint Committee on Economic Cooperation was named, consisting of Senators Connally, chairman, George, and Smith of New Jersey. Page 670

Confirmations: Senate confirmed sundry nominations including that of Maurice J. Tobin to be Secretary of Labor, Ralph Wright to be Assistant Secretary of Labor, William E. Willett to be member of the Board of Directors of RFC, Preston Delano to be Comptroller of the Currency, Frank P. Douglass to be a member of National Mediation Board, and John M. Houston to be member of NLRB, together with various judgeships, U. S. attorneys, U. S. marshals, and appointments in the Public Health Service. Pages 718–721

Nominations: Nine hundred and ninety-five nominations were submitted to the Senate today, including the nomination of Jesse M. Donaldson to be Postmaster General, three other civilian, three Army, ninety-nine Navy, and eight hundred and eighty-nine Marine Corps. Pages 716–718

Committee Meetings

EXPORT CONTROL

Committee on Banking and Currency: On January 28, Secretary of Commerce Sawyer, accompanied by the Department's legal counsel, Mr. Ostroff; the Associate Director, Mr. Bell; the Assistant Director, Mr. McIntyre; the Director of the Export Operation Division, Mr. Thomas; and an official of the Food Branch, Mr. Macy; appeared before the committee in connection with its hearings on S. 548, to recommend that the existing export controls, which expire February 28, 1949, be extended until June 30, 1951, subject to termination by the President or by concurrent resolution of the Congress.

Assistant Secretary of Agriculture Albert J. Loveland told the committee that the Department of Agriculture believes that the extension of export control authority is necessary "(1) to protect our domestic economy, (2) to implement the foreign policy of the United States, (3) to carry out our obligations under international allocations, and (4) to control the exportation of commodities important to our national security."

NOMINATIONS—VETERANS—FREE IMPORTS

Committee on Finance: In executive session on January 28, the committee ordered reported the following three bills: H. J. Res. 88, extending time for free entry of certain articles imported to promote international good will; S. 372, designating the veterans' hospital at Americus, Ga., as the Marcus George Veterans Memorial Hospital; and S. 460, reconvey tract of land to Helena, Mont., Chamber of Commerce now held by the VA. Committee deferred action on S. 461, clarifying provisions (sec. 602u) of the National Service Life Insurance Act of 1940.

The following Senators were appointed as a subcommittee to attend the Federal-State Tax and Fiscal Policy Interrelationship Conference: Senators Byrd, chairman, Johnson of Colorado, and Martin.

The following nominations were ordered favorably reported to the Senate: Edward H. Foley, Jr., to be Under Secretary of the Treasury; John S. Graham to be Assistant Secretary of the Treasury; Daniel A. Bolich to be Assistant Commissioner of Internal Revenue; George McGill to be a member of the Tariff Commission; George B. Gillin to be Superintendent of the Mint, San Francisco; Charles F. Murphy to be Comptroller of Customs at Boston; Gilroy Roberts to be Engraver of the Mint at Philadelphia; Ralph W. Cripe to be collector of internal revenue for district of Indiana; John J. Fitzpatrick to be collector of internal revenue for district of Connecticut; Stuart L. Crenshaw to be collector of internal revenue for district of Virginia; Tully Garner to be collector of customs for district of Laredo, Tex.; William H. Burke, Jr., to be collector of customs for district of Boston; and John H. Alsmiller to be collector of customs for district of Louisville, Ky.

INTERIOR DEPARTMENT

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Secretary of Interior Krug appeared before the committee to discuss the jurisdiction, functions, and policies of the Interior Department. This is the first of a series of meetings scheduled by the committee to study and examine the operations and functions of the Department. Hearings continue tomorrow.

TAFT-HARTLEY REPEAL—VETERANS

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Committee opened hearings on S. 249, to repeal the Taft-Hartley Act, hearing testimony by Secretary of Labor Tobin in support of a substitute for the bill prepared by himself and his associates at the request of Senator Thomas of Utah. Hearings continue tomorrow.

Chairman Thomas announced the appointment of a temporary subcommittee, consisting of Senators Pepper, chairman, Humphrey, and Morse, "to investigate and inquire into the proposed curtailment of veterans' hospital construction program, the reasons and justifications therefor, and to hold necessary hearings and to report to the full committee thereon."

RIVER AND HARBOR SURVEYS

Committee on Public Works: Committee on January 28 adopted various committee resolutions authorizing the Army engineers to review certain reports on river and harbor projects.

Frank Burnett was named cleark of the committee.

CLOTURE RULE

Committee on Rules and Administration: Committee continued hearings on pending resolutions to amend the cloture rule (S. Res. 11, 12, 13, 15, and 19), receiving testimony by Senators Holland and Russell in opposition to the resolutions. Hearings continue tomorrow.

On Friday, January 28, the committee heard Senators Maybank, Byrd, Eastland, McClellan, and Robertson testify in opposition to the resolutions.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Seventy-four public bills, H. R. 1995–2068; twenty-seven private bills, H. R. 2069–2095; and ten resolutions, H. J. Res. 121–123, and H. Res. 68 and 74, were introduced. Pages 723, 737–722

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. Res. 22, creating a Select Committee To Study and Investigate the Problems of Small Business (H. Rept. 9);

H. Res. 50, requesting certain information from Secretary of State relative to the Palestine situation (H. Rept. 10);

H. R. 128, providing that 1949 cotton acreage shall not be used in computing cotton acreage allotments for any subsequent year (H. Rept. 11);

H. Res. 73, providing for consideration of and 1 hour of general debate on H. R. 1660, to extend to September 30, 1949, certain authority of the President relative to voluntary agreements and plans (H. Rept. 12); and

H. Res. 74, providing for consideration of and 1 hour of general debate on H. R. 128, barring use of 1949 cotton acreage in computing cotton acreage allotments for any subsequent year (H. Rept. 13). Pages 736–737

Committee Membership: Adopted H. Res. 68, electing the following Members to membership on—

Committee on Un-American Activities: Representatives Thomas of New Jersey, Nixon, Case of South Dakota, and Velde.

Committee on the District of Columbia: Representative Wadsworth. Page 723

Palestine: Voted to table H. Res. 50, requesting the Secretary of State to furnish to the House of Representatives certain information relative to the Palestine situation. Pages 725–727

Foreign Economic Cooperation: Appointment to the Joint Committee on Foreign Economic Cooperation of the following Members was announced:

Representatives Bloom, Kee, and Vorys from the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

Representatives Cannon and Taber from the Committee on Appropriations. Pages 728–729

Labor-Management Relations: The Speaker appointed the following Members to membership on the Joint Committee on Labor-Management Relations:

Representatives Lesinski, Barden, Kelley, Kennedy, McConnell, Gwinn, and Smith of Kansas. Page 729

Board of Visitors: Announcement of the appointment of the following Members as members of the board of visitors to certain service academies was made:

U. S. Naval Academy: Representatives Sasscer, Fallon, Thornberry, Stefan, and Miller of Maryland.

U. S. Merchant Marine Academy: Representatives Hart, Bonner, Weichel, Boggs of Louisiana, and Latham.

U. S. Coast Guard Academy: Representatives Hart, Thompson, Weichel, Burleson, and Patterson. Page 729

Committee Meetings

COTTON

Committee on Agriculture: The Subcommittee on Cotton continued its discussion on the national cotton problem with Walter L. Randolph, president, Alabama Farm Bureau Federation, testifying today on behalf of the national organization of the American Farm Bureau Federation. E. D. Bell, agricultural economist in charge of adjustment program, Cotton Branch, Production and Market Administration, Department of Agriculture, was last Friday's witness. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

Before Friday's open hearings started, the full committee met in executive session and appointed subcommittees. It also voted to report to the House H. R. 128; providing that acreage planted to cotton in 1949 shall not be used in computing cotton acreage allotments for any subsequent year. The bill was amended to include farms not planted to cotton in 1947 or 1948, or regarded as planted in 1947 because of war crop production or service in the armed forces, shall be regarded as having a 1948 planted acreage equal to the 1942 acreage allotment.

ARMY-AIR FORCE COMPOSITION

Committee on Armed Services: Hon. W. Stuart Symington, Secretary of the Air Force, concluded the testimony that he begun last Friday on behalf of H. R. 1437, Army and Air Force composition bill, and was followed by Gen. Hoyt S. Vandenberg, Chief of Staff, Air Force, who also favored the measure. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

EXPORT CONTROLS

Committee on Banking and Currency: Speaking in support of H. R. 1661, a bill extending export controls, Thomas C. Blaisdell, Jr., Acting Assistant Secretary of Commerce, recommended that the present law authorizing controls over exports which expire February 28, 1949, be extended until June 30, 1951, subject, however, to termination by the President or by concurrent resolution of the Congress should the need therefor cease to exist earlier. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

MINIMUM-WAGE LAW

Committee on Education and Labor: Continued hearings on proposed amendments to the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938, one of which would increase the minimum wage rate of employees in industry. The following witnesses presented their views to the committee: J. H. Waters, general attorney, Western Union Telegraph Co.; Clyde McFarlin, U. S. Independent Telephone Association; H. D. Stevenson, National Association of Stevedores; Walter Maloney, attorney, National Federation of American Shipping; Charles G. Nichols, National Retail Dry Goods Association; Almon E. Roth, labor relations committee, U. S. Chamber of Commerce; Howard Carlisle, director of industrial relations, Pacific Mills, representing American Cotton Manufacturers Association; and C. W. Kitchen, United Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Association. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

GOVERNMENT REORGANIZATION

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Concluded hearings on H. R. 1569, providing for the reorganization of Government agencies. Ex-President Herbert Hoover, Chairman, Commission on Organization of the Executive Branch of the Government, favored the legislation and pointed out that this bill "is just the first, and a necessary step, in the grievously needed reorganization of the executive branch of the Government." He said that other vital steps will also be necessary to solve the whole problem of reorganization and will require different legislation. The aims of this alinement of agencies are to "reduce expenses, gain efficiency, and make life easier for the citizen in his dealings with the Government."

In an afternoon session, Representative Carl Vinson, of Georgia, testified on the proposed legislation and suggested that in the event of a reorganization bill being presented by the President, such reorganization as would affect the armed services should be separated from any single-package bill and handled as an individual measure.

FREEDOM TRAIN

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Met in executive session and considered H. J. Res. 84, to provide for the acquisition and operation of the Freedom Train by the Archivist of the United States. No action was taken on the measure and the group adjourned until Thursday, February 3, when it will resume discussion on the same subject.

SMALL BUSINESS—VOLUNTARY AGREEMENTS—COTTON ACREAGE

Committee on Rules: Ordered the following resolutions reported to the House:

H. Res. 22, creating a Select Committee on Small Business;

H. Res. 73, providing for 1 hour's debate on H. R. 1660, extending Presidential authority relative to voluntary agreements; and

H. Res. 74, providing for 1 hour's debate on H. R. 128, cotton acreage allotment bill.

Representative Patman spoke in favor of H. Res. 22; Representatives Spence and Wolcott favored H. Res. 73; and Representatives Pace, Abernethy, and Gathings favored the rule to bring the cotton acreage allotment bill before the House. Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

UN-AMERICAN ACTIVITIES

Committee on Un-American Activities: Met in executive session and voted unanimously to bar television, newsreel, and radio coverage from its committee hearings. Appointed subcommittees, one of which, composed of Representatives Walter, Harrison, and Nixon, will confer with the Attorney General of the United States. Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

RECIPROCAL TRADE AGREEMENTS

Committee on Ways and Means: Heard the following opposition witnesses to H. R. 1211, which would extend the authority of the President to enter into foreign trade agreements, under section 350 of the Tariff Act of 1930, for a period of 3 years from June 12, 1948: John J. Riggle, assistant secretary, National Council Farmer Cooperatives; Mr. White, representing the International Longshoremen's Union, New York City; Samuel Neff, union local, CIO, Shenango Pottery Co., New Castle, Pa.; James G. Shennan, president, Elgin Watch Co., appearing for the American jeweled watch industry; Walter W. Cenerazzo, national president, American Watch Workers Union, Waltham, Mass.; and William J. Bannan, city solicitor of Waltham, Mass, who appeared in lieu of Mayor John F. Devane. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

At the hearing on Friday, January 28, the following opposition witnesses testified on this legislation: Representatives Burnside, Staggers, and Bailey, all of West Virginia, and Representative Hays of Ohio; J. M. Wells, chairman, foreign trade committee, U. S. Potters Association, Newell, W. Va.; James F. Duffy, president, National Brotherhood of Operative Potters, West Liverpool, Ohio; Lee W. Minton, president, Glass Bottle Blowers' Association, Philadelphia, Pa.; R. A. Lorant, executive board, Window Glass Cutters' League of America, Columbus, Ohio; Mr. Morrell, representing the American Paper and Pulp Association, New York City; James H. Casey, Jr., secretary, Association of Knitted Glove and Mitten Manufacturers, National Association of Leather Glove Manufacturers, Gloversville, N. Y.; Carl R. Kalnow, representing industry tariff committee, American Glassware Association, New York City; and Howard Richmond, vice president, Crompton Co., textile manufacturers.

Joint Committee Meetings

ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: On January 28 the committee held its first meeting and selected Senator McMahon as chairman of the committee for the Eighty-first Congress, and Representative Durham as vice chairman.

Senator Hickenlooper, retiring chairman, reported on all activities taken by the committee since he made his last report to the group during the Eightieth Congress.

The committee holds open hearings on Wednesday with members of the Commission testifying on the Commission's latest report submitted to the Eighty-first Congress.

Wednesday, February 2, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

Voluntary agreements extension and cotton-acreage allotment bills passed by House.

Reciprocal-trade plan approved by House committee.

Senate

Chamber Action

The Senate was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Thursday, February 3, at 12 noon.

Committee Meetings

EXPORT CONTROL

Committee on Banking and Currency: On February 1 the following witnesses testified on S. 548, to recommend that the existing export controls, which expire February 28, 1949, be extended until June 30, 1951, subject to termination by the President or by concurrent resolution of the Congress: Dr. D. A. Fitzgerald, Director of Food, ECA; William H. Lukens, R. M. Hollinghead Corp., who suggested certain revisions; A. L. Durand, National Cottonseed Products Association, who favored elimination of oil seed from export controls; George M. Strayer, American Soybean Association, who recommended amendments so that exports of all types of fats and oils to Western Hemisphere countries and countries participating in ECA should not be subject to export control, and so that Secretary of Agriculture may have full authority to grant export allocations whenever fats, oils, and oil seeds are surplus in U. S.; Thomas C. Ballagh, Ballagh & Thrall, export sales managers, Philadelphia, who favored termination of extension in June 1950, and felt that controls should be limited to matters of genuine necessity; and L. Blaine Liljenquist, Western States Meat Packers Association, Inc., San Francisco, who favored an amendment to exempt fats and oils from export controls. T. H. Gregory, National Cottonseed Products Association, testified against controls.

These hearings on S. 548 continued on February 2, with the following witnesses testifying on various aspects of the legislation: Milton R. Wexler, National Association of Steel Exporters; Samuel Anderson, ECA; Dr. John L. Coulter, National Renderers Association; Wilbur LaRoe, National Independent Meat Packers Association; A. W. Gilliam, American Meat Institute; George R. Dressler, National Association of Retail Meat Dealers; Roy M. Cohen, editor, Butchers' Advocate; H. E. Sanford, National Grain Trade Council; George F. Bauer, New York Board of Trade; A. H. Benjamin, Anglo-American Trading Corp.; Charles Williams, Williams Associates; Russell B. Brown, Independent Petroleum Association of America; Louis I. Freed, Independent Merchant Exporters Association; and F. F. Estes, Coal Exporters Association of United States, Inc.

COMMITTEE EXPENSES, GOVERNMENT REORGANIZATION

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: In executive session the committee agreed to report unanimously, without amendment, S. 170, to authorize transfer of land to Secretary of Interior. It also approved funds for subcommittees of the committee as follows: Senate Investigations Subcommittee: $50,000 additional funds, or a total budget of $102,600 for 1 year; Subcommittee on Relations with International Organizations: $18,000 for a 1-year period; and Subcommittee on Intergovernmental Relations: $15,000 for 1 year. It was agreed that appropriate resolutions to provide for the above funds will be introduced and reported by Chairman McClellan.

In open hearings on S. 526, Reorganization Act of 1949, the committee heard Comptroller General Lindsay C. Warren "strongly favor and recommend legislation such as that you are now considering." He further said that "Exemptions, of course, are a matter of policy for the Congress to determine but if you ask my view I would have to recommend strongly that no executive agency of any kind be exempted if you want any real reorganization to be effective." Hearings continue tomorrow.

NOMINATIONS, AND PALESTINE REFUGEES

Committee on Foreign Relations: In executive session the committee agreed to report favorably the nomination of Dean Rusk, to be Assistant Secretary of State, together with many routine promotional nominations in the Foreign Service.

It was agreed that a Senate joint resolution be introduced and reported, to provide $16,000,000 as a special contribution by the U. S. to the UN for relief of Palestine refugees. This is to carry out the purpose set forth in a resolution adopted by the General Assembly of the UN.

INTERIOR DEPARTMENT

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: The committee continued hearings in connection with its study and examination of the operations and functions of the Interior Department with James P. Davis, Director, Colonel Johnson, and Colonel Noyes, all from the Division of Territories and Island Possessions, and Albert M. Day, Director, Fish and Wildlife Service, discussing the jurisdictions and functions of their respective Divisions.

On February 1 the committee heard Assistant Secretary William E. Warne, Under Secretary Oscar L. Chapman, and Assistant Secretary C. Gerard Davidson discuss their respective duties and functions.

ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: In executive session the committee selected the 2d and 4th Wednesdays of each month as its regular meeting days.

Routine nominations in the Coast Guard and in the Coast and Geodetic Survey were ordered favorably reported.

It was agreed to take up the nomination of J. Monroe Johnson to reappointment to the Interstate Commerce Commission at its next regular meeting on February 9.

The committee unanimously adopted the following two committee resolutions as to a quorum for transacting business, and as to proxy votes:

"That seven members shall constitute a quorum for official action of the committee when reporting a bill or nomination: *Provided,* That proxies shall not be counted in making a quorum."

"When a record vote is taken in committee on any bill, resolution, amendment, or other question, a majority of the members being present, a member who is unable to attend the meeting may submit his vote by proxy, in writing, or by telephone or through personal instructions."

LABOR—SCHOOL AID

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: The committee continued hearings today on S. 249, repeal of Taft-Hartley Act, and the Thomas (Utah) substitute therefor, with Paul M. Herzog, Chairman, NLRB, expressing his views and opinions on the bill and substitute. Secretary of Labor Tobin went back on the stand to be questioned further on the bill and substitute.

The committee met in night session; details on the meeting will be carried in tomorrow's Digest.

In an afternoon session on February 1 the committee agreed that proposed legislation for Federal aid to education and health service to children of school age should be considered in separate bills, and that the health service should not be joined with Federal aid to education. A subcommittee was appointed consisting of Senators Hill, Douglas, Taft, and Smith of New Jersey to work with Senator McMahon and others on the perfection of a bill providing for health service to children of school age.

The committee agreed to perfecting amendments to S. 246, Federal aid to education bill, but will meet at a later date for final consideration before reporting it.

It was agreed that further hearings on S. 249, repeal of Taft-Hartley Act, would begin at 9:30 a. m. and run until 10 p. m. each day, except on Sundays and when the Senate is in session, until February 10.

In a morning session on the same day the committee heard Cyrus S. Ching, Federal Mediation Director, express his views and opinions as to the Thomas (Utah) bill (S. 249, to repeal the Taft-Hartley Act) and the Thomas substitute, which was prepared by the Administration at the suggestion of Senator Thomas.

FREEDOM TRAIN, POSTMASTER GENERAL, AND SUBCOMMITTEE

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: On February 1 S. J. Res. 31, providing for continuation of Freedom Train for 2 years, was ordered reported with perfecting amendments; the nomination of Jesse M. Donaldson, to be Postmaster General, was voted to be reported favorably to the Senate; and Senators Johnston of South Carolina, chairman, O'Conor, and Langer were designated as members of this committee to serve, as ex officio members of the Committee on Appropriations for consideration of the appropriation bill for the Post Office Department.

CLOTURE—GRATUITY RESOLUTION

Committee on Rules and Administration: In executive session the committee agreed to report favorably S. Res. 46, to pay a gratuity to Ida Raffel Klaff, daughter of Louis Raffel, late an employee of the Senate.

The committee also discussed various pending resolutions to amend the cloture rule (S. Res. 11, 12, 13, 15, and 19), and voted to adjourn until its next regular meeting on Wednesday, February 9.

On February 1 the committee concluded hearings on these resolutions, after receiving testimony in opposition to them from Senators Connally, Hill, Johnston of South Carolina, Fulbright, and Long.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: One hundred twenty-eight public bills, H. R. 2096–2223; forty-five private bills, H. R. 2224–2268; and twenty resolutions, H. J. Res. 124–135, H. Con. Res. 21–24, and H. Res. 75–78, were introduced. Pages 775–780

Internal Revenue Taxation: Representative Dingell was appointed to membership on the Joint Committee on Internal Revenue Taxation to serve with Representatives Doughton, Cooper, Reed of New York, and Woodruff on the part of the House. Page 745

Voluntary Agreements: By voice vote House passed H. R. 1660, to continue through September 30, 1949, certain authority conferred on the President by section 2 of Public Law 395 (80th Cong.) regarding voluntary agreements and plans. Subsequently, by unanimous consent, an identical Senate bill, S. 547, was taken from the Speaker's table and passed, following which the House bill was tabled. H. Res. 73, providing for consideration of H. R. 1660, was previously adopted. Pages 754–759

Cotton Acreage Allotments: Passed by voice vote, after adopting committee amendment designed to preserve the status of certain old growers who had not planted cotton in 1947 or 1948, H. R. 128, excluding cotton planted in 1949 from use in computing cotton acreage allotments for any subsequent year. H. Res. 74, providing for consideration of H. R. 128, was previously adopted. Pages 759–763

Small Business Committee: Adopted H. Res. 22, creating a Select Committee To Conduct a Study and Investigation of the Problems of Small Business. The measure as passed was amended to provide for a membership of nine and authorized the chairman or any member of the committee to administer oaths to witnesses.

Subsequently the Speaker appointed as members of the committee the following: Representatives Patman, chairman, Keogh, Hardy, Mansfield, Evins, Halleck, Hill, Riehlman, and Lichtenwalter. Pages 763–766, 775

President's Message: Received message transmitting recommendations that were adopted at the thirtieth session of International Labor Conference held at Geneva, June 19–July 17, 1947, also a report of Acting Secretary of State and a letter from Acting Secretary of Labor relative thereto. The message was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs and ordered printed as a House document (H. Doc. 51). Page 754

House Appointments: The Speaker announced the appointment of the following Members to membership on the following committees, boards, and commissions:

Committee on Plans for Reconstruction of the Ceiling, Redecorations, and Other Improvements to the House Chamber: Representatives Bloom, Trimble, Smathers, McGregor, and Goodwin.

Committee To Investigate Nonessential Federal Expenditures: Representatives Doughton, Cooper, and Reed of New York from the Committee on Ways and Means; and Representatives Cannon, Kerr, and Taber from the Committee on Appropriations.

Migratory Bird Conservation Commission: Representatives Karsten and Brehm.

Directors of Columbia Hospital for Women: Representatives Norton and Miller of Nebraska.

Directors of Columbia Institute for the Deaf: Representatives Bloom and Graham.

Committee on the Oliver Wendell Holmes Devise: Representatives McCormack, Woodhouse, and Wigglesworth.

Commissioners of National Capital Sesquicentennial Commission: Representatives Bloom, Thornberry, and Horan to serve with the Speaker on the part of the House.

U. S. Territorial Expansion Memorial Commission: Representatives Thomas of Texas, Sullivan, and Barrett of Wyoming.

U. S. Commission for the Construction of a Washington-Lincoln Memorial—Gettysburg Boulevard: Representatives Lind and Beall on the part of the House.

Commission To Consider a Site and Design for a National Memorial Stadium to be Erected in the Distric of Columbia: Representatives McMillan of South Carolina, Sasscer, and Simpson of Illinois on the part of the House. Page 767

Board of Visitors, U. S. Naval Academy: Vacated appointments, announced on Monday last, of certain Members to Board of Visitors to the U. S. Naval Academy and announced the appointment of the following Members, in lieu: Representatives Sheppard, Sasscer, Stefan, and Miller of Maryland. Pages 766–767

Committee Meetings

COTTON

Committee on Agriculture: The Subcommittee on Cotton at its hearings on national cotton problems received the statement of James G. Patton, president of the National Farmers Union, wherein he quoted from his testimony before the same subcommittee in 1944 that the Farmers Union "believe that we must seek an agricultural program that is based on stability, a pattern of agricultural production that will permanently fit the dietary need of the Nation, one that will not call for sweeping year to year adjustments. * * *" In discussing the cotton program in general terms, he stated that he believed that it would be unwise to include this year, 1949, in calculating the acreage allotments. He also commended to the study of the members of the committee the provisions of the Full Employment Act of 1950. Russell Smith, legislative secretary, National Farmers Union, also testified. Will continue on the same subject tomorrow.

At Tuesday's meeting, the committee heard the testimony of Grange officials, as follows: J. T. Sanders, legislative counsel, the National Grange, who spoke on cotton-marketing quotas; W. W. Andrews, chairman, cotton committee, North Carolina State Grange; and W. L. Smith, of Button Willow, Calif., member of the State board of agriculture and California State Grange.

ARMY-AIR FORCE COMPOSITION

Committee on Armed Services: Continuing with its hearings on H. R. 1437, Army and Air Force composition bill, the committee heard the testimony of Maj. Gen. Milton A. Reckord, National Guard Association, and Brig. Gen. Arthur Evans, Reserve Officers Association. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

Witnesses on the same subject at Tuesday's session were Maj. Gen. Milton A. Reckord, and Maj. Gen. Ellard A. Walsh, president, National Guard Association; and Maj. Gen. Kenneth F. Cramer, Chief, National Guard Bureau.

EXPORT CONTROLS

Committee on Banking and Currency: Concluded hearings on H. R. 1661, to extend export controls, with George L. Bell, Director, Office of International Trade, Department of Commerce, who answered certain questions for the group. Following Mr. Bell were George R. Dressler, representing the National Association of Retail Meat Dealers; A. L. Durand, representing the National Cottonseed Products; George H. Strayer, executive secretary, American Soybean Association; Russell Brown, general counsel, Independent Petroleum Association of America; and F. F. Estes, executive secretary, Coal Exporters Association of United States, all of whom urged decontrol of fats and oils.

At Tuesday's hearings, A. J. Loveland, Under Secretary of Agriculture, testified that our domestic economy alone justifies continuation of export controls; that removal of same could turn loose a demand for U. S. commodities in world short supply, which would inflate the prices of these commodities. Testifying against continued controls on fats and oils were the following industrial representatives: Wilbur LaRoe, Jr., National Independent Meat Packers Association; L. Blaine Liljenquist, Western States Meat Packers Association; and Dr. John L. Coulter, National Renderers Association.

MINIMUM WAGE

Committee on Education and Labor: Continued its public hearings on proposed amendments to the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938, particularly regarding the raising of minimum wage rates from 40 to 75 cents per hour. Testifying today were Representatives Hays of Arkansas, who opposed the bill, and Murray of Wisconsin, who favored it; William T. Jobe, general counsel, National Association of Ice Industries; Howland Jones, Jr., American Retail Federation; Ed M. Anderson, chairman, legislative committee, National Editorial Association; Walter F. Witt, executive secretary, Virginia State Restaurant Association; and George H. Le Sauvage, chairman, Government affairs committee, National Restaurant Association; and Representative Boykin, of Alabama, accompanied by representatives of the southern pulpwood industry, who opposed objectives of the legislation. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

On Tuesday, the following officials of the CIO and AFL endorsed the proposed 75-cent hourly national minimum wage for unorganized workers: Solomon

Barkin, chairman, CIO Committee on Revision of Fair Labor Standards Act; Irving T. Levy, representing CIO; Dr. Vera Miller, research associate, Amalgamated Clothing Workers of America, CIO; Walter Mason, national legislative representative, AFL; Louis Waldman, general counsel, and Harry R. Hasselgren, secretary-treasurer, Atlantic coast district, both of International Longshoremen's Association, AFL; Paul R. Hutchings, international president, Office Employees Union, AFL; H. S. Mitchell, president, National Farm Labor Union, AFL; Elmer Hewitt, representing Amalgamated Meat Cutters and Butcher Workmen of North America, AFL; Joseph A. White, business agent, Gloucester Seafood Workers Union; and Charles E. Sands, legislative representative, Hotel and Restaurant Employees and Bartenders International Union, AFL.

NATIONAL PROJECTS

Committee on Public Lands: The Subcommittee on Public Lands met on Tuesday and approved the following bills to be reported to the full group:

H. R. 54, relative to Los Alamos project lands to jurisdiction of New Mexico;

H. R. 164, relative to conveyance of lands to Churntown School in California;

H. R. 1401, relative to lands in Michigan from demonstration project disposed to Mount Hope Cemetery Association, Waterloo, Mich.;

H. R. 1997, to authorize survey of proposed Mississippi River Parkway as to feasibility; and

H. R. 1998, conveyance of lands to Pinellas County, Fla.

Also considered H. R. 1389, concerning revenues of National Park Service to provide for acquisition of certain State lands, but postponed any action until February 23 in order to hear witnesses. Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

PUBLIC WORKS

Committee on Public Works: Held meeting on Tuesday, February 1, to hear officials of the Office of Chief of Engineers and Federal Works Agency on the national situation regarding public works. Representing the Office of Chief Engineer were Col. H. L. Jewett, Acting Assistant Chief of Engineers, Col. Herbert C. Gee, Deputy Chief of Civil Works for Flood Control; and Val Darling, for the Mississippi River Commission. Appearing for the Federal Works Agency were J. W. Follin, Assistant Administrator; W. E. Reynolds, Commissioner of Public Buildings; Thomas H. MacDonald, Commissioner, Public Roads Administration; and Pere F. Seward, Deputy Commissioner for Engineering, Bureau of Community Facilities. Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

VETERANS' PROPOSALS—PENSIONS

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Met with the following representatives of veterans' organizations and received their various approved proposals with a request for early congressional enactment: Jonathan M. Wainwright, national commander; William E. Tate, claims director; Vivian E. Corbley, national adjutant; and Francis E. Sullivan, national legislative director, all of the Disabled American Veterans; and Harold A. Keats, national commander, and Robert E. McLaughlin, national legislative representative, AMVETS. Mr. Keats is scheduled to continue his testimony at tomorrow's hearing.

On Tuesday the committee considered H. R. 1693, pensions for veterans of World Wars I and II on same basis as Spanish-War veterans. The following officials of the Veterans' Administration testified: Carl R. Gray, Administrator; Guy H. Birdsall, Assistant Administrator for Legislation; W. E. Dyess, statistician; and Willis H. Howard, Assistant Administrator for Claims. Will continue hearings on this bill at a later date.

RECIPROCAL TRADE AGREEMENTS

Committee on Ways and Means: Held executive session and voted 17 to 8 to report H. R. 1211 to the House, without amendment. This bill would restore the power of the President to reduce tariffs as much as 50 percent in return for concessions from other nations.

On Tuesday the committee completed public hearings on reciprocal trade agreements revision and heard the following proponents of the bill: A. Carnow, president, and B. Katz, chairman, executive committee, American Watch Assemblers Association; Alan Kline, national president, American Farm Bureau Federation; James H. Stebbins, vice president, W. R. Grace & Co., New York City; Senator Virgil Chapman, of Kentucky; and E. S. Hall, economic designer, Farmington, Conn.

Joint Committee Meetings

ATOMIC ENERGY

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Committee held open hearings with David E. Lilienthal, Chairman, Robert F. Bacher, and Lewis L. Strauss, all members of the Atomic Energy Commission, and Carroll L. Wilson, general manager, AEC, discussing the policies and program of the Atomic Energy Commission. The committee will meet in executive session on Friday.

Résumé of Congressional Activity

FIRST SESSION OF EIGHTY-FIRST CONGRESS

The first table gives a comprehensive résumé of all legislative business transacted by the House and Senate during the session, January 3, 1949, through January 31, 1949.

The second table accounts for all nominations submitted to the Senate by the President for Senate confirmation.

DATA ON LEGISLATIVE ACTIVITY

January 3 through January 31, 1949

	Senate	*House*	*Total*
Days in session	11	13	..
Time in session	36 hrs., 23′	24 hrs., 56′	..
Congressional Record:			
Pages of proceedings	515	251	766
Appendix	..	..	470
Public bills enacted into law	2	1	3
Private bills enacted into law	..	..	..
Bills in conference	..	..	..
Bills through conference	..	..	..
Measures passed, total	26	34	..
Senate bills	2	1	..
House bills	..	1	..
Senate joint resolutions	2	1	..
House joint resolutions	2	3	..
Senate concurrent resolutions	1	..	..
House concurrent resolutions	2	2	..
Simple resolutions	17	26	43
Measures reported, total	*45	*13	..
Senate bills	19	..	..
House bills	..	3	..
Senate joint resolutions	3	..	..
House joint resolutions	3	3	..
Senate concurrent resolution	1	..	..
House concurrent resolutions	2	..	..
Simple resolutions	17	7	24
Special reports	4	..	..
Conference reports	..	..	..
Reported measures not acted on	**19	**5	..
Measures introduced, total	865	2,312	3,177
Bills	757	2,095	2,852
Joint resolutions	48	123	171
Concurrent resolutions	14	20	34
Simple resolutions	46	74	120
Quorum calls	9	1	10
Yea-and-nay votes	6	2	8

*These figures on measures reported include all placed on calendar or acted on by Senate even if there was no accompanying report. A total of 29 reports has been filed in the Senate; a total of 13 has been filed in the House.

**This figure does not agree with the total difference between bills reported and bills passed, because resolutions and bills placed on the House Calendar without having been formally reported were not included in figures of measures reported to the House.

DISPOSITION OF EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS RECEIVED FROM JANUARY 3–JANUARY 31, 1949

Postmaster nominations:	
Confirmed	None
Withdrawn	None
Rejected	None
Unconfirmed	None
Army nominations, totaling 11,935, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	8,367
Withdrawn	None
Rejected	None
Unconfirmed	3,568
Air Force nominations, totaling 11,115, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	1,631
Withdrawn	None
Rejected	None
Unconfirmed	9,484
Navy nominations, totaling 3,366, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	3,267
Withdrawn	None
Rejected	None
Unconfirmed	99
Marine Corps nominations, totaling 885, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	None
Withdrawn	None
Rejected	None
Unconfirmed	885
Civilian nominations other than postmasters, totaling 1,013, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	250
Withdrawn	1
Rejected	None
Unconfirmed	762

Summary

Total nominations received	28,314
Total rejected	None
Total withdrawn	1
Total unconfirmed	13,515
Total confirmed	14,798

Thursday, February 3, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

Both Houses cleared disaster-relief appropriation bill for President.
Senate groups approved over 13,000 nominations and 5 minor bills.
Export-control extension and Government agency reorganization bills approved by House committees.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 780–796

Bills Introduced: Thirty-eight bills and ten resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 758 to S. 795; S. J. Res. 49 and 50; and S. Res. 47 to S. Res. 54. Pages 792–793, 799

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 170, to transfer certain property to the Secretary of the Interior, with amendment (S. Rept. 30);

S. Res. 46, to pay a gratuity to daughter of a late employee of Senate (no written report);

H. J. Res. 136, appropriating an additional $500,000 for disaster relief (no written report);

S. Res. 54, providing for election of Frederick Brown Harris as Senate Chaplain (no written report); and S. Res. 51 and S. Res. 52, providing $50,000 additional for the Senate Subcommittee on Investigations, $18,000 for Subcommittee on International Organizations, and $15,000 for Subcommittee on Intergovernmental Relations, all of the Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments (no written reports). Pages 784–785, 793–796, 799, 803

International Labor Organization: The President submitted to the Senate certain conventions, and instruments of amendment and recommendations adopted at recent sessions of International Labor Organization. Page 781

Bills Referred: A bill and joint resolution passed by the House were referred to appropriate Senate committees. Page 802

Senate Employee: S. Res. 46, to pay a gratuity to Ida Raffel Klaff, daughter of Louis Raffel, late an employee of the Senate, was adopted. Page 784

Cloture: Senator Knowland submitted S. Res. 47, to discharge the Committee on Rules and Administration from further consideration of S. Res. 15, to amend the cloture rule, which under the rules was ordered to lie over for 1 day. Page 793

Export Controls: Permission was granted the Banking and Currency Committee to report S. 548, extension of export controls, during recess of Senate. Page 799

Senate Chaplain: S. Res. 54, providing for election of Frederick Brown Harris as Senate Chaplain, was adopted. Page 799

Land Transfer: Passed S. 170, to transfer certain property to the Secretary of the Interior, with a committee amendment. Page 801

Labor-Management: Senator Ellender resigned from further service on Joint Committee on Labor-Management Relations. Senators Neely and Humphrey were appointed to vacancies thereon. Page 796

Disaster Relief: Senate passed and cleared for President H. J. Res. 136, appropriating an additional $500,000 for disaster relief. Page 803

Nomination: The nomination of J. Rives Childs, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to Saudi Arabia, together with eight Marine Corps nominations, were received. Page 803

Confirmations: Confirmed the nominations of James M. Mitchell, of Illinois, to be Civil Service Commissioner; Edward H. Foley, Jr., of New York, and John S. Graham, of North Carolina, to be Under Secretary and Assistant Secretary, respectively, of the Treasury; George McGill of Kansas, to be member of the U. S. Tariff Commission; along with 10 other civilian nominations and 13,062 military nominations. Pages 803–805

Committee Meetings

ARMY-NAVY BILLS AND NOMINATIONS

Committee on Armed Services: In executive session the committee ordered reported to the Senate approximately 13,000 armed service promotions and nominations.

The committee also voted to report the following bills, without amendments: S. 77, to repeal section 509 of title 34 of U. S. Code relating to restrictions against increased forces at any navy yard preceding a Presidential or congressional election; S. 629, authorizing disposition of certain personal property in possession of Departments of Treasury, Army, Navy, or Air Force; S. 630, to remove upper age limit for appointment to commissioned grade in Supply Corps of the Navy; S. 632, to authorize certain personnel of the Navy to accept certain gifts and decorations by foreign governments; and S. 673, relating to pay and allowances of Naval Reserve officers performing active duty in rear-admiral grade. The committee meets again next Thursday.

HOUSING—EXPORT CONTROL

Committee on Banking and Currency: Subcommittee on Housing and Rents held hearings on proposed housing legislation, receiving testimony from Senator Ellender in support of S. 138, to establish a national housing policy; he also indicated his support of S. 712, to amend the National Housing Act. Raymond M. Foley, Administrator, Housing and Home Finance Agency, also testified in support of both bills. Hearings continue tomorrow.

In the late afternoon the committee met in executive session with officials of the Department of Commerce to consider S. 548, to recommend that the existing export controls, which expire February 28, 1949, be extended until June 30, 1951, subject to termination by the President or by concurrent resolution of the Congress. Committee continues in executive session tomorrow in hopes of reaching a vote on reporting the measure.

REORGANIZATION ACT

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Continuing hearings on S. 526, Reorganization Act of 1949, the committee heard Frederick J. Lawton, Assistant Director of Bureau of Budget, express the hope that Congress would enact this measure without restrictive amendments in the form the President and the Commission on Organization of the Executive Branch of the Government have recommended. Hearings will continue next Monday, February 7.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Finance: In executive session the committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of William McChesney Martin, Jr., of New York, to be Assistant Secretary of the Treasury, and John B. Dunlap, to be collector of internal revenue at Dallas.

Committee considered further but deferred action until February 10 on S. 461, clarifying provisions (sec. 602u) of the National Service Life Insurance Act of 1940.

INTERIOR DEPARTMENT

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Committee continued its hearings in connection with its study and examination of the operations and functions of the Interior Department, receiving testimony from Michael W. Straus, Bureau of Reclamation Commissioner; Dr. Paul J. Raver, Administrator of the Bonneville Power Administration; Douglas D. Wright, Administrator of the Southwestern Power Administration; and Newton B. Drury, National Park Service, as to their respective duties and functions.

LABOR

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Secretary of Labor Tobin continued his testimony before the committee on S. 249, to repeal the Taft-Hartley Act, having been recalled for questioning. His testimony was in support of the substitute for the bill prepared by himself and his associates at the request of Senator Thomas of Utah. The committee stayed in night session and will continue tomorrow. The committee stayed in night session on February 2 with Secretary of Labor Tobin continuing his testimony.

The committee announced the appointments of Thomas E. Shroyer, for the minority, and Herman Lazarus, for the majority, as committee consultants in the field of labor.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Seventy-four public bills, H. R. 2269–2343; seventeen private bills, H. R. 2344–2360; and twelve resolutions, H. J. Res. 136–145, and H. Res. 79 and 80, were introduced. Pages 807, 818–820

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. J. Res. 136, making a further appropriation of $500,000 for disaster relief (H. Rept. 14);

H. Con. Res. 22, suspending legislative budget until May 1, 1949 (H. Rept. 15);

H. Res. 66, authorizing Committee on Public Lands to make certain investigations, etc. (H. Rept. 16); and

H. Res. 75, authorizing Committee on Education and Labor to make certain studies and investigations, etc. (H. Rept. 17). Page 817

Disaster Relief: Voted to suspend the rules and adopt H. J. Res. 136, authorizing an additional appropriation of $500,000 to the President's disaster-relief fund for fiscal year 1949. Pages 807–808

Committee Meetings

COTTON—OLEO

Committee on Agriculture: James Hand, Jr., representing the Delta Council, testified before the Subcommittee on Cotton and discussed the Agricultural Act of 1948 as it relates to cotton; recommended 90-percent parity for cotton and provisions for support prices for cottonseed be included in the revised legislation, the level of support to be comparable to those available for other major oil-bearing seeds. He also recommended that there be a reserve of acreage for establishing allotments for farms on which no cotton was planted in the past 3 years and that this reserve be deducted from the State allotment before the State allotment is distributed among the counties; the amount of the reserve to be set by the State committee and not to exceed 2 percent of the State allotment. He strongly urged that soil-building payments reflect satisfactory performances of approved practices on a per acre basis without limitation as to the maximum payment per farm.

Dr. C. R. Sayre, of Stoneville, Miss., and Irby Turner, of Belzoni, Miss., also testified before the committee. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

It was announced later by the chairman of the committee, Representative Cooley, that hearings on bills to repeal the tax on oleomargarine would start before this committee on Tuesday, March 1, and continue until completed. Eighteen bills dealing with oleomargarine have been referred to this group.

ARMY-AIR FORCE COMPOSITION

Committee on Armed Services: Continued discussion on H. R. 1437, Army and Air Force composition bill, with testimony being received from Maj. Gen. Arthur Evans, Reserve Officers Association; Hon. W. Stuart Symington, Secretary of the Air Force; Lt. Gen. E. R. Quesada, Air Force; and Lt. Idwald Edwards, Air Force. Hearings on this legislation will continue Monday, February 7.

EXPORT CONTROLS

Committee on Banking and Currency: Voted to report to the House H. R. 1661, to extend export controls, with technical amendments. The meeting of the committee was of an executive nature.

MINIMUM WAGE—LABOR-MANAGEMENT ACT

Committee on Education and Labor: Heard further witnesses on the bill to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938, particularly regarding the raising of minimum wage rates from 40 to 75 cents per hour. Today's witnesses were Alfred Dorman, Georgia Wholesale Grocers' Association; J. T. Sanders, National Grange; Peter T. Beardsley, American Trucking Association; Julius E. Bagley, Longshoremen's Union; and Austin Ansen, Texas Canners Association and Texas Citrus Growers Association. Later, in a night session, further representatives of labor and industry expressed their views on the minimum-wage issue. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

The Subcommittee on Labor-Management Relations Act adopted a resolution calling for the full committee to adopt H. R. 237, introduced by Representative Kelley, dealing with the repeal of the Taft-Hartley Act and reenacting the Wagner Act. This resolution, proposed by Representative Perkins, also imposes the duty of holding necessary hearings on the subject.

GOVERNMENT REORGANIZATION

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Met in executive session and ordered reported to the House H. R. 1569, providing for the reorganization of Government agencies. A completely new bill was written for approval.

HATCH ACT

Committee on House Administration: Held executive meeting to consider proposed amendments to the Hatch Act, an act designed to prevent pernicious political activities, and ordered H. R. 1243 reported to the House. This measure deals with penalties for violations of this act by Federal civil-service employees. Testifying on the subject were Harold B. Mitchell, President, and Charles H. Barnes, connected with the Chief Law Officer, both of the U. S. Civil Service Commission.

ORGANIZATION—NATURALIZATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Completed organization of committee and appointed subcommittees. Also ordered favorably reported to the House five private immigration bills.

Subcommittee No. 1 agreed to report favorably to the full committee H. R. 199, to provide the privilege of becoming a naturalized citizen of the United States to all immigrants having a legal right to permanent residence, to make immigration quotas available to Asian and Pacific peoples.

U. S.-FLAG SHIPPING—SHIP SALES

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Resumed consideration of H. R. 1340, providing for U. S.-flag shipping participation in Government-financed cargoes, with the following officials of the Economic Cooperation Administration testifying: Paul G. Hoffman, Administrator, Col. Arthur G. Syran, director, Transportation Division, and Alex Henderson, general counsel. Also received favorable testimony, with suggested amendments, from Admiral W. W. Smith, chairman, Gerald Helmbold, Grenville Mellen, commissioner, and Raymond McKeough, commissioner, all of the U. S. Maritime Commission.

Later took up H. J. Res. 92, to continue authority of the Maritime Commission to sell and charter war-built vessels under the Merchant Ship Sales Act of 1946, and heard the following witnesses: Admiral W. W. Smith, chairman, and Frank Foertner, general counsel, both of the U. S. Maritime Commission. Executive meeting for consideration of the above two mentioned bills has been called for Monday, February 7.

FREEDOM TRAIN—COMMEMORATIVE STAMP

Committee on Post-Office and Civil Service: Met in executive session and completed committee organization work. Also voted to report favorably to the House H. J. Res. 84, providing for acquisition and operation of the Freedom Train by the Archivist of the United States; and H. R. 1432, authorizing issuance, during 1949, of a special 6-cent air-mail postage stamp commemorative of the two hundredth anniversary of the founding of the city of Alexandria, Va.

IRRIGATION AND RECLAMATION

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation held its organizational meeting, following which the group received information as to national irrigation programs for the coming year from John G. Will, Eugene D. Eaton, and G. W. Lineweaver, all of the Bureau of Reclamation. Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

INVESTIGATIONS—LEGISLATIVE BUDGET—RULES

Committee on Rules: Met to consider several measures and heard Representative Cannon testify in favor of H. Con. Res. 22, to suspend the legislative budget until May 1, 1949; Representative Taber opposed the legislation. Representative Monroney also testified on H. Con. Res. 22.

Testimony favoring H. Res. 66, authorizing the Committee on Public Lands to make certain investigations, was presented by Representative Somers, chairman of said committee.

Chairman Lesinski of the Committee on Education and Labor also appeared and testified in favor of H. Res. 75, authorizing his committee to make certain studies and investigations.

The three resolutions were ordered reported favorably to the House.

The committee also heard Representatives Cannon, Kerr, and Taber on the rule for consideration of the first deficiency appropriation bill but took no action thereon.

VETERANS' LEGISLATION

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Harold A. Keats, national commander, AMVETS, and Robert E. McLaughlin, national legislative director, AMVETS, completed their presentation of the current legislative aims of the organization. A brief executive session was held thereafter by the committee.

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HIGHLIGHTS

Senate voted against discharging Committee on Rules and Administration from further consideration of resolution to amend cloture rule.

House passed Government agencies reorganization bill.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 821–838

Bills Introduced: Sixty-one bills and thirteen resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 796 to S. 856; S. J. Res. 51; S. Con. Res. 15; and S. Res. 55 to S. Res. 65.

Pages 822–847

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 548, to recommend that the existing export controls, which expire February 28, 1949, be extended until June 30, 1951, with amendments (S. Rept. 31); reported February 4;

S. 77, to repeal section 509 of title 34 of U. S. Code relating to restrictions against increased forces at any navy yard preceding a Presidential or congressional election (S. Rept. 32);

S. 629, authorizing disposition of certain personal property in possession of Departments of Treasury, Army, Navy, or Air Force (S. Rept. 33);

S. 630, to remove upper age limit for appointment to commissioned grade in Supply Corps of the Navy (S. Rept. 34);

S. 632, to authorize certain personnel of the Navy to accept certain gifts and decorations by foreign governments (S. Rept. 35);

S. 673, relating to pay and allowances of Naval Reserve officers performing active duty in rear-admiral grade (S. Rept. 36);

S. 713, to increase the limit of cost of the GAO Building from $22,850,000 to $25,400,000 (S. Rept. 37);

H. R. 128, excluding cotton planted in 1949 from use in computing cotton acreage allotments for any subsequent year, with amendment (S. Rept. 38); and

S. 790, to grant the consent of the U. S. to the Upper Colorado River Basin Compact (S. Rept. 39).

Pages 821, 826–827

Pend Oreille River: Report of Chief of Engineers on improvement at Albeni Falls on Pend Oreille River, Idaho, was ordered printed as S. Doc. 9, and referred to Committee on Public Works. Page 836

Small Business: Senator Wherry submitted S. Res. 55, to create a Special Committee on Small Business and raised the question of reference. Vice President Barkley advised that the resolution would go to the Committee on Banking and Currency, whereupon Senator Wherry appealed from the decision of the Chair asking that it be referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration. After debate, Senator Lucas moved to lay the appeal on the table. Neither the appeal nor tabling motion were disposed of, the morning hour having terminated before a vote was reached.

Pages 838–839

Cloture: By a vote of 31 yeas to 56 nays, the Senate rejected S. Res. 47, to discharge the Committee on Rules and Administration from further consideration of S. Res. 15, to amend the cloture rule.

Pages 847–850, 851–854, 856–858, 860–865

Legislative Budget: The appointment of Senators McKellar, Hayden, Thomas of Oklahoma, Bridges, and Gurney, to be members of the Subcommittee on Legislative Budget, as members from the Committee on Appropriations, was announced. Page 827

Export Control: S. 548, to recommend that the existing export controls, which expire February 28, 1949, be extended until June 30, 1951, subject to termination by the President or by concurrent resolution of the Congress, was made the unfinished business of the Senate.

Pages 865–866

Nominations: Received 664 nominations, as follows: 38 civilian, including several ambassadorships; 607 Army; and 19 Navy. Page 867

Confirmations: Two hundred thirty-nine civilian nominations were confirmed, including those of Jesse M. Donaldson, of Illinois, to be Postmaster General; Dean Rusk, of Virginia, to be Assistant Secretary of State; William McChesney Martin, Jr., of New York, to be Assistant Secretary of Treasury; and Karl T. Compton, of Massachusetts, to be Chairman of Research and Development Board.

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Committee Meetings

COTTON ACREAGE

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: On February 4 the committee voted to report to the Senate H. R. 128, excluding cotton planted in 1949 from use in computing cotton acreage allotments for any subsequent year, after voting to strike out all after the enacting clause and substituting therefor the language of S. 733, providing that acreage planted or yields in 1949 of cotton, wheat, corn, and rice shall not be used in such computations. This action was taken after hearing the Deputy Administrator of the Production and Marketing Administration of the Agriculture Department (Frank K. Woolley) testify in support of the legislation.

After considering S. Res. 49, to investigate actions of any Government agency tending to undermine price-support programs for farm products, the committee agreed to call various Government officials before it, beginning Tuesday, February 8, to discuss the resolution.

Immediate hearings on proposals to remove restrictions on the Government to acquire or operate storage facilities for farm commodities was also agreed upon.

EXPORT CONTROL

Committee on Banking and Currency: In executive session on February 4, the committee voted to report to the Senate with amendments S. 548, to recommend that the existing export controls, which expire February 28, 1949, be extended until June 30, 1951. All of the amendments were perfecting, with one exception, which amendment is designed to remove from controls agricultural commodities determined by the Secretary of Agriculture as in long supply, unless such controls are necessary for the purposes of national security or foreign policy.

In an afternoon session the committee heard further testimony by Raymond M. Foley, Administrator, Housing and Home Finance Agency, in support of S. 138, to establish a national housing policy, and S. 712, to amend the National Housing Act. Franklin D. Richards, Commissioner, Federal Housing Administration, testified generally in support of S. 712.

HOUSING

Committee on Banking and Currency: Subcommittee on Housing and Rents continued its hearings today, receiving testimony from John Taylor Egan, Public Housing Commissioner, in support of S. 138, to establish a national housing policy, particularly as it applies to low-rent housing. Representative Jones of Alabama testified in support of S. 685, to provide assistance to farmers in securing farm housing. Raymond C. Smith, Bureau of Agricultural Economics, and Dillard B. Lasseter, Administrator, Farmers Home Administration, both of Department of Agriculture, testified in support of rural housing provisions of S. 138. Hearings continue tomorrow.

REORGANIZATION

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Continuing hearings on S. 526, Reorganization Act of 1949, the committee heard ex-President Hoover, Chairman, Commission on Organization of the Executive Branch of the Government, urge the immediate enactment of the bill in accordance with his letter of January 14, 1949 (H. Doc. 37) and the President's message of January 17 (H. Doc. 42). Mr. Hoover stated that in his opinion it would be a disaster to exempt any agency from the provisions of the bill. Hearings continue Wednesday, at which time Senators will be given an opportunity to be heard on the bill and amendments thereto.

INTERNATIONAL REFUGEE ORGANIZATION

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: The Subcommittee on Relations With International Organizations met in executive session to consider various aspects of the U. S. relations with the International Refugee Organization.

INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Subcommittee on Intergovernmental Relations, in executive session, agreed that it would attend as a body the Mayors' Conference to be held in Washington, March 21–23.

COLORADO RIVER COMPACT

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: In executive session the committee agreed to report, without amendment, S. 790, to grant the consent of the U. S. to the Upper Colorado River Basin Compact.

INTERIOR DEPARTMENT

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Continuing hearings on operations and functions of the Interior Department, the committee received further testimony from Secretary of Interior Krug, and heard Robert E. Friedman, Acting Director, Oil and Gas Division, outline the functions of his division.

On February 4 the following witnesses discussed the duties and functions of their respective divisions: Marion Clawson, Director, Bureau of Land Management; William Zimmerman, Acting Commissioner, Bureau of Indian Affairs; Dr. William E. Wrather, Director, Geological Survey; and Dr. James Boyd, Director, Bureau of Mines.

GOLD MINES

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee, in executive session on February 4, agreed to report to the full committee, with perfecting amendment, S. 45, to relieve owners and operators of certain gold mines closed by WPB orders.

STRATEGIC MATERIALS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee met in executive session to consider S. 241, to amend the Contract Settlement Act of 1944, to authorize payment of fair compensation to persons contracting to deliver certain strategic materials. No announcement was made of any action taken.

LABOR

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Committee continued its hearings on S. 249, to repeal the Taft-Hartley Act, and the Thomas (Utah) substitute for the bill, hearing the following witnesses express their views on the legislation: Robert N. Denham, general counsel, NLRB, and William H. Davis, formerly a member of the National War Labor Board. Committee met in night session. Hearings continue tomorrow.

Since the last issue of the Daily Digest, the following witnesses testified, expressing their views, on the dates designated: In late session on February 3, Arthur Goldberg, general counsel, CIO; on Friday, February 4, Almon E. Roth, president, San Francisco Employers Council; Joseph A. Beirne, president, accompanied by William M. Dunn, assistant to president, both of the CWA; Lewis M. Herrmann, International Labor Press of America of A. F. of L.; and Leon B. Hampton, president, Industrials Relations Council of Utah, and official spokesman for Utah State Farm Bureau, Utah Retail Grocers Association, Utah Manufacturers Association, and Utah Automobile Dealers Association; on Saturday, February 5, Ludwig Teller, member of New York bar; Lawrence Clayton, in behalf of Board of Governors of Federal Reserve System; Carl E. Dunnagan, Thomas P. Henry, Jr., Gerard D. Reilly, and Oscar Whitehouse, all of the Printing Industry of America.

GOVERNMENT PAY INCREASE

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: On February 4 the Subcommittee on Compensation, Retirement, and Classification, after hearing a statement by Senator O'Conor, its chairman, on S. 498, salary increase for heads of Government departments, and S. 559, salary increase for Government employees, including D. C., received further testimony thereon from the following witnesses: Frank Pace, Jr., Director of the Budget; Lindsay Warren, Comptroller General; James Rowe, Hoover Commission; George Richardson, National Association of Fire Fighters; Thomas J. Walters,

Government Employees Council; R. M. Lovelady, Panama Canal representative; and Luther Steward, president, and Mr. Houston, both of the AFGE. Meeting adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

GAO BUILDING—TVA NOMINATION

Committee on Public Works: In executive session on February 4, the committee voted to report, without amendment, S. 713, to increase the limit of cost of the GAO Building from $22,850,000 to $25,400,000.

The nomination of Harry Alfred Curtis to be a member of the Board of Directors of the TVA was also ordered favorably reported.

On February 8 the Subcommittee on Buildings and Grounds will open hearings on S. 114, S. 245, and S. 714, sites and plans for Federal public buildings.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Eighty-eight public bills, H. R. 2361–2448; twenty-eight private bills, H. R. 2449–2476; and thirteen resolutions, H. J. Res. 146–152, H. Con. Res. 25 and 26, and H. Res. 81–84, were introduced.

Pages 924, 930–933

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. R. 1661, extension of export controls (H. Rept. 18);

H. R. 1211, extension of reciprocal trade agreements program (H. Rept. 19);

H. J. Res. 84, providing for acquisition and operation of Freedom Train (H. Rept. 20);

H. R. 1243, to amend the Hatch Act (H. Rept. 21);

H. R. 1432, authorizing issuance of stamp commemorating two hundredth anniversary of founding of Alexandria, Va. (H. Rept. 22);

H. R. 2361, providing for reorganization of Government agencies (H. Rept. 23);

Disposition of executive papers (H. Rept. 24);

Disposition of executive papers (H. Rept. 25); and

Five private bills, H. R. 669, 773, 1052, 1700, and 1993 (H. Repts. 26–30). Page 930

Bill Referred: S. 170, to transfer certain property to the Secretary of the Interior, was referred to the Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments.

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Legislative Budget: Voted, 230 yeas to 142 nays, to adopt H. Con. Res. 22, suspending the legislative budget until May 1, 1949. Pages 874–889

Government Reorganization: By 356 yeas to 9 nays, the House passed H. R. 2361, to provide for reorganization of Government agencies. The measure was amended to also include the Railroad Retirement Board, National Mediation Board, and the National Railroad Adjustment Board in the group of agencies that must be considered individually in any reorganization plan. Pages 890–924

Majority Employees: Adopted H. Res. 84, providing for salary readjustments for certain employees in the office of the Majority Leader. Page 924

Objectors: Representatives Trimble, Deane, and Aspinall were named as the official objectors of the majority party. Page 925

Committee Meetings

COTTON

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee on Cotton continued discussions on national cotton problems, with Ralph B. Bunje speaking on behalf of the West and southwestern irrigated regions with reference to cotton allotments. He recommended that the States be given the option of using one of the three years 1946, 1947, or 1948, or the 5-year average 1944–48, and that a 3-year moving average be used as a basis for determining future allotments, excluding 1949 plantings. Concluded with statement that in the event of a surplus of cotton the Secretary of Agriculture should be authorized to reduce the national allotment by an amount not to exceed 1,000,000 bales in any one year. Louis J. Ivey, of El Paso, Tex., also spoke with reference to allotments and recommended that the old formula used under the 1938 Agricultural Adjustment Act be reinstated in place of the acts passed in 1948 by the Eightieth Congress. He called attention of the committee to the urgent need for study of the 1948 congressional acts respecting American-Egyptian and other varieties of long-staple cotton. Other witnesses appearing before the committee were James B. Pattison, member of the Texas Legislature; W. O. Fortenberry, G. L. Jackson; Fred McGinty, George Simmons, W. H. Cunningham, J. C. Wilson, all of Texas; Albert Armor, of California; and J. D. Lee and E. H. Smith, of Arizona. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

Testifying before the subcommittee on the same subject last Friday were William C. Planz, chairman, Textile Industry on Foreign Trade; and representatives of the following State Delta councils: Judge A. W. Oliver and Harvey Adams, Arkansas; David Amacker, J. C. Buie, J. H. Gilfoil III, and S. E. Johnson, all of Louisiana; and Walter S. Edwards and E. C. Davis, of Missouri.

D. C. POLICE-FIRE DEPARTMENT WAGES

Committee on the District of Columbia: Held regular monthly meeting and considered adoption of rules for committee proceedings. Agreed to meet on the first Monday of each month at 10 a. m.

The Subcommittee on Public Service, Streets, and Traffic started last Friday on consideration of H. R. 2169, pensions for widows and children of deceased members and retired members of the Police and Fire Departments and pay-raise legislation for police and firemen, hearing favorable testimony of Fire Chief Clement Murphy; Inspector Clarence Lutz, Metropolitan Police Department; M. H. Raspberry, Park Police; Richard A. Bolton, Retired Policemen's Association; and R. A. Nielson, D. C. Policemen's Association. Opposed to the bill in its present form were Vernon West, D. C. Commissioner, and Rufus Lusk, representing D. C. taxpayers. Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

MINIMUM WAGE

Committee on Education and Labor: Continued hearings on H. R. 2033, amending the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938, regarding the raising of minimum-wage rate from 40 cents to 75 cents per hour. Testifying today were Samuel Fraser, International Apple Association; George R. LeSauvage, chairman, Government affairs committee, National Restaurant Association; Walter F. Witt, executive secretary, Virginia State Restaurant Association; Donald Kirkpatrick, director, Washington office, American Farm Bureau Federation; Edgar G. Brown, director, National Negro Council; Joseph L. Rauh, Jr., chairman, national executive committee, Americans for Democratic Action; Charles Hazeltine and Harmon Howard, representing Associated Shippers of California; Joseph Ferris, U. S. Sugar Corp.; Reuben S. Haslam, associate counsel, National Association of Manufacturers; Joseph Clorety, American Veterans Committee; and Ralph O. Dulany, National Association of Frozen Food Packers. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

Heard on the same subject last Friday were Representative Pickett, of Texas; Robert Darrah, Southern Wholesale Lumber Association; Walter W. Kellog, National Lumber Manufacturers Association; R. M. Eagle, Arthur Temple, Jr., G. C. Rogers, and John M. Higgins, representing southern pine industry; and Joseph T. King, National Retail Lumber Dealers; George E. Carr, president, Brown Co., Norfolk, Conn.; Wisford I. King, New York University, Committee for Constitutional Government; Frank W. Nolan, president, Jarka Corp., New York City; and Elizabeth Sasuly, Food, Tobacco, Agricultural, and Allied Workers CIO.

Saturday's witnesses were Representative Staggers, of West Virginia; Harold O. Smith, U. S. Wholesale Grocers Association; Gregory S. Prince, Association of American Railroads; Gen. Paul F. Yount, U. S. Army; Paul W. Schoen, American Foresters and Farmers; H. T. Austern, National Canners Association; John H. Todd, National Cotton Ginners Association; Elizabeth Magee, National Consumers League; and F. H. Shoemaker, Redwood, Minn.

BANKRUPTCY—PATENT

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 2 agreed last Friday to report favorably to the full committee H. R. 118, to amend section 58d of the Bankruptcy Act to provide that publication of notices to creditors be at the discretion of the court.

Subcommittee No. 4 also met on Friday and agreed to report favorably to the full committee H. R. 577, to correct possible inequity in the case of a certain application for letters patent of William R. Blair.

PAY INCREASES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Opened hearings last Friday on H. R. 1689, to increase the pay for heads of executive departments, independent agencies, and District employees. The first witnesses to testify were Lindsay C. Warren, U. S. Comptroller General, and Frank Pace, Jr., Director of the Bureau of the Budget. Adjourned until Tuesday, February 8.

ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

Select Committee on Small Business: Held organizational meeting and discussed future proposed program. Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

Joint Committee Meetings

ATOMIC ENERGY

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: On February 4 the committee met in closed session with members of the Atomic Energy Commission to discuss a top-secret progress report of the AEC.

Senator Anderson also appeared to discuss S. 210, to retrocede to New Mexico exclusive jurisdiction held by the U. S. over lands within boundaries of Los Alamos atomic energy project.

The chairman announced the appointment of William L. Borden as executive director of the committee.

Tuesday, February 8, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed export-control extension, and 24 bills on call of Calendar.
House debated reciprocal-trade agreements extension bill.
Senate group approved resolution to investigate farm prices.
Army-Air Force composition and WAA extension bills approved by House committees.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 933–943

Bills Introduced: Fifteen bills and three resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 857 to S. 871; S. Con. Res. 16; and S. Res. 66 and 67. Pages 933–941

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 135, to authorize the D. C. Commissioners to determine each year if D. C. will have daylight-saving time (S. Rept. 40);

S. Res. 31, to authorize the Banking and Currency Committee to investigate prices of agricultural commodities to ascertain spreads between prices received by farmers, manufacturers, and other producers, and prices paid by consumers (S. Rept. 41), referred to Committee on Rules and Administration; and

S. J. Res. 36, to authorize a special contribution by the U. S. to the UN for the relief of Palestine refugees, with amendments (S. Rept. 42). Page 938

Bills Referred: Two House-passed bills were referred to appropriate committees. Page 940

Cardinal Mindszenty: S. Res. 57, condemning court proceedings in the case of Cardinal Mindszenty, on motion was referred to Committee on Foreign Relations. Pages 941–942

Calendar Bills Passed: On call of the calendar, 24 unobjected-to bills, of which 10 were private, were passed as follows:

With amendment, to be sent back to House:

Cotton: H. R. 128, excluding cotton planted in 1949 from use in computing cotton-acreage allotments for any subsequent year.

Without amendment and cleared for House:

Employment fees: S. 15, to close loophole so as to make it unlawful to collect a fee for referring persons seeking jobs to Federal employing officers;

Naval officers: S. 278, to prevent retroactive checkage of payments erroneously made to certain retired Naval Reserve officers;

Stamps: S. J. Res. 22, issuance of commemorative stamp for the three hundredth anniversary of Annapolis, Md.;

Veterans: S. 372, designating the veterans' hospital at Americus, Ga., as the Marcus George Veterans Memorial Hospital;

Land: S. 460, to reconvey tract of land to Helena, Mont., Chamber of Commerce now held by the VA;

Stamps: S. 492, issuance of commemorative stamp of two hundredth anniversary of Alexandria, Va.;

GAO Building: S. 713, to increase the limit of cost of the GAO Building from $22,850,000 to $25,400,000.

Navy yards: S. 77, to repeal section 509 of title 34 of U. S. Code relating to restrictions against increased forces at any navy yard preceding a Presidential or congressional election;

Personal property: S. 629, authorizing disposition of certain personal property in possession of Departments of Treasury, Army, Navy, or Air Force;

Navy appointments—Supply Corps: S. 630, to remove upper age limit for appointment to commissioned grade in Supply Corps of the Navy;

Foreign gifts: S. 632, to authorize certain personnel of the Navy to accept certain gifts and decorations by foreign governments;

Naval Reserve: S. 673, relating to pay and allowances of Naval Reserve officers performing active duty in rear-admiral grade; and

Private bills: Eight private bills: S. 26, 32, 279, 315, 331, 335, 307, and 485.

With amendment and cleared for House:

Alien claims: S. 29, relative to claims for damage to property deposited by enemy aliens or U. S. citizens of Japanese ancestry; and

Private bills: Two private bills: S. 27 and 90. Pages 943–949

Export Control: Senate passed with amendments S. 548, to recommend that the existing export controls, which expire February 28, 1949, be extended until June 30, 1951. Pages 947, 949–956, 960–961

Small Business: Senator Lucas withdrew his motion to lay on table Wherry appeal from decision of Vice President which referred S. Res. 55, to create a Special Committee on Small Business, to Committee on Banking and Currency, instead of Committee on Rules and Administration as contended for in the appeal. The appeal was defeated by 57 yeas to 20 nays, thus confirming decision of Vice President to refer the resolution to the Committee on Banking and Currency. Pages 961–976, 977–978

Nomination: Received nomination of Hawthorne Arey, of Nebraska, to be Director of Export-Import Bank of Washington. Page 980

Confirmation: The nomination of Harry Alfred Curtis, of Missouri, to be a member of the Board of Directors of TVA, was confirmed. Page 980

Committee Meetings

FARM SUPPORT PRICES

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Hearings were begun on S. 49, investigation of any Government agency tending to undermine price support for farm products, with Ralph S. Trigg, Administrator, Production and Marketing Administration of the U. S. Department of Agriculture, testifying on the activities of his agency concerning the exportation of agricultural commodities. Hearings continue tomorrow.

FOOT-AND-MOUTH DISEASE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Agriculture met in executive session to hear Gen. Harry Johnson, co-Director of the Mexican-U. S. Commission To Eradicate the Foot-and-Mouth Disease, discuss the progress of the Commission's program.

FARM PRICES

Committee on Banking and Currency: In executive session the committee unanimously agreed to report, without amendment, S. Res. 31, to authorize the Banking and Currency Committee to investigate prices of agricultural and other commodities to ascertain spreads between prices received by farmers, manufacturers, and other producers, and prices paid by consumers.

HOUSING

Committee on Banking and Currency: Subcommittee on Housing and Rents continued its hearings on pending housing legislation, receiving testimony from Edward Weinfeld, president, National Public Housing Conference, who testified generally in support of housing legislation, and particularly in support of certain provisions of S. 138, S. 709, and S. 724, housing bills. David L. Krooth, member of the board of directors of the National Public Housing Conference, supported housing legislation generally, and specifically various provisions of S. 724 and S. 712. Lawrence Cox, president, Association of Housing Officials, generally endorsed the objectives of S. 138.

DAYLIGHT SAVING, SUBCOMMITTEES, AND JUDGESHIPS

Committee on the District of Columbia: In executive session, the committee unanimously voted to report the nomination of Aubrey B. Fennell to be assistant judge of the municipal court of D. C. It also unanimously approved, without amendment, S. 135, to authorize the D. C. Commissioners to determine each year if the D. C. will have daylight-saving time.

It also agreed that general proxies will be permitted in committee voting, by direction of the chairman; however, they are not to be used to record a quorum.

The chairman nominated and the committee approved memberships to the following standing subcommittees of the committee to consider D. C. legislation coming within their respective jurisdiction: Subcommittee on Fiscal Affairs: Senators Hunt, chairman, Frear, and Schoeppel; Subcommittee on Home Rule and Reorganization for the District of Columbia: Senators Kefauver, chairman, Neely, and Smith of Maine; Subcommittee on the Judiciary: Senators Neely, chairman, Johnston of South Carolina, and McCarthy; Subcommittee on Public Health, Education, Recreation (Welfare): Senators Smith of Maine, chairman, Miller, and Hendrickson; Subcommittee on Public Service—Streets and Traffic: Senators Johnston of South Carolina, chairman, Miller, and Mundt; and Subcommittee on Public Utilities—Insurance and Banking: Senators Frear, chairman, Hunt, and Williams.

ECA

Committee on Foreign Relations: Secretary of State Acheson and ECA Administrator Hoffman testified before the committee in open hearings in support of continuing the ECA program. The committee met briefly in the afternoon in executive session with ECA Administrator Hoffman for further discussion of the proposed legislation. Hearings continue tomorrow.

LABOR

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Committee continued hearings on S. 249, to repeal the Taft-Hartley Act, and the Thomas (Utah) substitute for the bill, receiving further testimony from Robert N. Denham, general counsel, NLRB. In late session last night, William H. Davis, formerly a member of the National War Labor Board, continued his testimony. Committee met in night session. Hearings continue tomorrow.

FEDERAL PUBLIC BUILDINGS

Committee on Public Works: Committee held open hearings on S. 114, S. 245, and S. 714, providing for

acquisition of sites and preparation of plans for Federal public buildings outside D. C., receiving testimony from the following two witnesses: Maj. Gen. Philip B. Fleming, FWA Administrator, who endorsed provisions of the bills relating to planning program for Federal public buildings; and W. E. Reynolds, FWA Commissioner of Public Buildings, who told the committee that the need of the Government for additional Federally owned buildings is acute, and a site acquisition and planning program of the nature contemplated by the proposed legislation should be undertaken as soon as possible. Because of the continued demand for labor and materials, he said it is not recommended that a construction program be authorized at this time.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Fifty-one public bills, H. R. 2477–2526, 2529; eight private bills, H. R. 2527–2535; and nine resolutions, H. J. Res. 153 and 154, H. Con. Res. 27 and 28, and H. Res. 85–89, were introduced. Pages 1039–1040

Bills Reported: Reports were filed as follows:

H. R. 54, to retrocede to State of New Mexico exclusive jurisdiction over lands of Los Alamos project of U. S. Atomic Energy Commission (H. Rept. 31);

H. R. 164, conveying certain lands to Churntown Elementary School District, Calif. (H. Rept. 32);

H. R. 1401, disposition of recreational demonstration project lands by State of Michigan to Mount Hope Cemetery Association, of Waterloo, Mich. (H. Rept. 33);

H. R. 1998, amending Public Law 666 (80th Cong.) to correct a land description therein (H. Rept. 34); and

H. R. 1997, authorizing survey of a proposed Mississippi River Parkway relative to feasibility of same (H. Rept. 35). Pages 1038–1039

Reciprocal Trade Agreements: After more than 7 hours of general debate on H. R. 1211, extending the reciprocal trade agreements program, the first section of the bill was read and further consideration of the measure was postponed until tomorrow when the bill will be read for amendments under the 5-minute rule. Pages 963–1037

Committee Meetings

COTTON

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee on Cotton heard further witnesses in its consideration of national cotton problems. Gerald L. Dearing, cotton editor of the Commercial Appeal, Memphis, Tenn., recommended a loan guaranty program under which farmers could finance their mechanical transition over a period of 3 to 5 years and stated that our exports of cotton, which reached 11,000,000 bales in the 1925–26 period, have been as low as 1,000,000 bales since that time and are running at less than 4,000,000 bales today. He stated, "We are financing ourselves."

John C. Williamson, assistant legislative director, VFW, requested that special consideration be given to those veterans who have undertaken cotton growing on their own and had no allotments before entering the service, having reached their majority while in the armed forces.

The last witness was Burton Shibley, cotton farmer, Dyer County, Tenn., who recommended that the base period used to determine the cotton acreage allotment be the 4-year period 1945–48. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

Representative Cooley, chairman of the committee, announced the appointment of a Special Subcommittee on Fertilizer and Farm Machinery, with Representative Abernethy as its chairman.

ARMY-AIR FORCE COMPOSITION

Committee on Armed Services: Ordered reported favorably to the House the amended version of H. R. 1437, Army and Air Force composition bill.

RENT CONTROL

Committee on Banking and Currency: Postponed today's scheduled hearing on H. R. 1731, rent-control extension bill, until tomorrow.

D. C. JUDICIARY

Committee on the District of Columbia: Subcommittee on the Judiciary met in an executive session to consider its future legislative program. Will meet again at the call of the Chair.

MINIMUM WAGE

Committee on Education and Labor: Heard further testimony at hearings on H. R. 2033, amending the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938, regarding the raising of minimum wage rates from 40 to 75 cents an hour. Today's witnesses were Representatives Horan and Gathings; Russ Nixon, Washington representative, Radio, Electrical, and Machine Workers of America; Carroll R. Miller, secretary, National Peach Council; Charles Bayly, Waterfront Employers Association of the Pacific Coast; H. M. Griffith, National Economic Council; Joseph A. Beirne, Communications Workers of America; Lyle W. Jones, National Small Businessmen's Association; Richard P. Doherty, National Association of Broadcasters; Ernest W. Greene, Hawaiian Sugar Planters Association; and Harry Schneider, Retail Grocers, Fort Worth, Tex. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

WAA EXTENSION

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Ordered reported favorably to the House H. R. 2402, a bill extending the War Assets Administration from February 28 to June 30, 1949. Testifying on this legislation were Jess Larson, Administrator of WAA, and James L. Dougherty, counsel for the RFC.

ECONOMIC COOPERATION ACT

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Opened hearings on H. R. 2362, to extend the Economic Cooperation Act of 1948, with W. Averell Harriman, special United States representative in Europe, who urged the continuation of the program. Committee will meet in executive session tomorrow on the same legislation.

ACCOUNTS

Committee on House Administration: Subcommittee on Accounts met to consider their legislative calendar. Will meet again at call of the Chair.

PATENT—BANKRUPTCY—NATURALIZATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Ordered the following bills reported favorably to the House:

H. R. 577, to correct possible inequity in the case of a certain application for letters patent to William R. Blair;

H. R. 118, to amend section 58d of the Bankruptcy Act to provide that publication of notices to creditors be at the discretion of the court (this bill was amended by changing 58e to require that any Government agency listed as a creditor and the Comptroller General shall also receive notices); and

H. R. 199, to provide the privilege of becoming a naturalized citizen of the United States to all immigrants having a legal right to permanent residence, to make immigration quotas available to Asiatic and Pacific peoples.

U. S.-FLAG SHIP CARGOES—SHIP SALES

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Resumed consideration of H. R. 1340, providing for U. S.-flag shipping participation in Government-financed cargoes, and H. J. Res. 92, to continue the authority of the Maritime Commission to sell and charter war-built vessels under the Merchant Ship Sales Act of 1946. Frazer Bailey, president, National Federation of American Shipping, and Hoyt Haddock, representing the CIO, offered testimony on both bills. The following witnesses were heard on the joint resolution: Matthew Dushane, A. F. of L.; Donald S. Morrison, vice president, American-Hawaiian Steamship Co.; Bon Geaslin, Waterman Steamship Co.; Seth Levine, CIO maritime committee; Admiral W. W. Smith, Chairman, Grenville Mellon, Commissioner, and Erwin Heine, all of the U. S. Maritime Commission; Col. Arthur Syran, Director, Transportation Division, Economic Cooperation Administration; and M. M. Stewart, assistant to the president, Olympic Steamship Co.

Following the open hearing, the committee discussed H. J. Res. 92 in an executive session, but took no action thereon, and adjourned until tomorrow.

PAY INCREASES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Continued hearings on H. R. 1689, to increase the pay for heads of executive departments, independent agencies, and District government employees. Arthur S. Flemming, former Civil Service Commissioner, and Vernon E. West, D. C. corporation counsel, testified on the measure.

PUBLIC PROJECTS

Committee on Public Lands: Ordered the following bills reported favorably to the House:

H. R. 54, relative to Los Alamos project lands to jurisdiction of New Mexico;

H. R. 164, relative to conveyance of lands to Churntown Elementary School District in California;

H. R. 1401, relative to disposition of recreational demonstration project lands to Mount Hope Cemetery Association, Waterloo, Mich.;

H. R. 1997, to authorize survey of proposed Mississippi River Parkway as to Feasibility; and

H. R. 1998, conveyance of lands to Pinellas County, Fla.

VETERANS' PENSIONS

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Representatives Van Zandt and Williams, testified in support of pension bills pending before the committee. A short executive session was also held during which it was decided to hear representatives of the American Veterans Committee on H. R. 1693 and related veteran pension bills tomorrow morning.

Joint Committee Meetings

PRESIDENT'S ECONOMIC REPORT

Joint Committee on the Economic Report: Committee opened hearings on the President's economic report with Secretary of Agriculture Brannan introducing the discussion on the President's legislative recommendations contained in it. He was followed by Leon Keyserling,

Vice Chairman of Council of Economic Advisers, who began presentation of the economic background for the legislative recommendations in the report. Hearings continue tomorrow.

D. C. REVENUE

Joint Meeting: Subcommittees of the House and Senate District of Columbia Committees met jointly to consider means of raising revenue for financing the government of the D. C., and received testimony from Commissioner Guy Mason, Engineer Commissioner Gordon Young, Budget Officer Walter Fowler, Tax Assessor Edward Dent, Corporation Counsel Vernon E. West, and Chairman of ABC Board Allan Payne. Session adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

Wednesday, February 9, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

House passed reciprocal trade agreements extension bill.

Senate groups approved resolutions for various investigations and reported out several bills.

An extension of Senate labor hearings until February 23 was voted by Senate group.

A resolution to amend Senate cloture rule was voted reported.

Bill to extend Maritime Commission's ship-sales authority approved by House group.

Senate

Chamber Action

The Senate was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Thursday, February 10, at 12 noon.

Committee Meetings

FARM SUPPORT PRICES

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Continuing hearings on S. Res. 49, investigation of any Government agency tending to undermine price support for farm products, the committee received testimony from Gen. H. Feldman, Quartermaster Corps, U. S. Army; Ralph S. Trigg, Administrator, Production and Marketing Administration, Agriculture Department; and Dr. D. A. Fitzgerald, ECA.

Secretary of Agriculture Brannan also appeared to discuss the current sharp breaks in agricultural prices. Hearings continue tomorrow.

HOUSING

Committee on Banking and Currency: Subcommittee on Housing and Rents continued hearings on pending housing legislation, receiving testimony by Carl H. Chatters, executive director of the Municipal Association, in support of S. 138, to establish a national housing policy. Jack Carter, VFW, testified generally in support of housing legislation, recommending specifically various provisions of the different bills pending before the committee. Hearings continue tomorrow.

D. C. HOME RULE

Committee on the District of Columbia: Subcommittee on Home Rule met in executive session to consider plans and procedure on proposed legislation for D. C. home rule.

REORGANIZATION

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Continuing hearings on S. 526, Reorganization Act of 1949, the committee received testimony from five Senators generally in support of the bill, with some exceptions, as follows: Senator Stennis asked that the civil functions of the Corps of Engineers be excepted from the provisions of the bill; Senator McKellar stated that he had received hundreds of communications urging that there be no change made relative to the activities of the Corps of Engineers; Senator Saltonstall recommended the prompt enactment of S. 526; Senator Gurney recommended that this reorganization bill specifically exclude the Corps of Engineers; and Senator Frear appeared only to introduce in the record certain letters and expressions of opinion received from interested groups in his State. Hearings continue tomorrow.

DUCKS—FISH AND WILDLIFE CONSERVATION

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Subcommittee To Investigate Wildlife Conservation heard testimony from the following witnesses to the effect that sportsmen would support an increase in Federal duck stamp prices from $1 to $2 or $3. Each of the witnesses reiterated the ever-increasing need for conservation in both the fish and wildlife field. They were universal in support of more aggressive educational measures being taken among school-age children. The witnesses were: Albert M. Day, Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of Interior; J. Hammond Brown, American Waterfowl Committee, Baltimore; Nash Buckingham, Outdoor Writers Association of America, Memphis, Tenn.; Michael Hudoba, Washington editor, Sports Afield; Frank Mulkern, Izaak Walton League; Carl Shoemaker, National Wildlife Federation; and C. R. Gutermuth, Wildlife Management Institute. Hearings continue tomorrow.

ECA

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee continued its hearings on continuation of ECA with ECA Administrator Hoffman, and W. Averell Harriman, Ambassador, U. S. special representative in Europe, testifying in support of continuing the ECA program. Mr. Hoffman was before the committee for questioning during most of the day. Hearings continue tomorrow.

ICC NOMINATION, COMMITTEE INVESTIGATIONS, INTERSTATE COMPACT, AND MERCHANT MARINE

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: The nomination of J. Monroe Johnson to be ICC Commissioner was ordered reported favorably, in executive session, after brief hearings thereon.

The committee also voted to report to the Senate the following resolutions: S. J. Res. 42, approving an interstate compact and creating the Gulf States Marine Fisheries Commission; S. J. Res. 51, to continue the authority of the Maritime Commission to sell, charter, and operate vessels (with an amendment changing the date of extension from March 1, 1950, to June 30, 1949); S. Res. 45, to authorize study and investigation of the merchant marine; S. Res. 50, to authorize study and investigation of the financial conditions and operating efficiency of the air-line industry; S. Res. 62, to authorize study and investigation of domestic land and water transportation (with an amendment making the amount of money expendable $50,000); S. Res. 63, to authorize study and investigation of radio, telegraph, and telephone communications; S. Res. 64, to authorize study and investigation of fishing resources of the U. S.; and S. Res. 65, to authorize study and investigation of the Panama Canal and interoceanic canals.

LABOR

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: The committee interrupted its hearings today long enough to adopt a new set of rules for continuing hearings beyond February 10. The resolution adopted follows:

That at the conclusion of the hearings on February 10, 1949, additional hearings shall be held February 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 21, 22, and 23, 1949, and that these hearings shall conclude at 5:30 p. m. on February 23, 1949;

That such hearings shall begin at 9:30 a. m. on each hearing day and continue until 12:30 p. m. to resume at 2:30 p. m. and recess at 5:30 p. m. until the following hearing day;

That hearings shall be held while the Senate is in session, providing consent therefor can be obtained;

That if such consent be not obtained, a night session shall be held;

That the hearing time as above set forth shall be divided equally between the majority and the minority members of the committee, that the time consumed by each witness shall be charged to that side calling such witness, and that the time consumed on cross-examination shall be charged to the side conducting such cross-examination;

That should a Senator yield to another, the time consumed by the latter shall be charged to the Senator who yielded his time;

That Senator Murray is authorized on behalf of the majority of the committee to make arrangements for the appearance of witnesses requested by the majority, and that Senator Morse is authorized on behalf of the minority of the committee to make arrangements for the appearance of witnesses requested by the minority;

That the subcommittee heretofore appointed is continued and is authorized to determine the order in which witnesses shall appear and to decide matters of procedure affecting arrangements for the hearings.

The hearings continued today with Robert N. Denham, general counsel, NLRB, continuing his testimony, with committee members questioning him. He also was on the witness stand last evening. Hearings continued in night session.

CLOTURE AND SUBCOMMITTEE FUNDS

Committee on Rules and Administration: In executive session, the committee by a vote of 10 to 3, voted to report to the Senate without amendment S. Res. 15, to amend the cloture rule. As ordered reported the resolution would extend the application of the cloture rule to include any measure, motion, or other matter pending before the Senate or unfinished business. It would make no change in the required two-thirds vote to invoke the cloture rule, nor would it make any change in the limitation of debate after cloture had been invoked.

The committee also voted to report to the Senate the following resolutions: S. Res. 44, to pay a gratuity to the widow of the late Senate Chaplain, Rev. Peter Marshall; S. Res. 51, to extend authorities until February 15, 1950, and to provide $18,000 for the Subcommittee on International Organizations, and $15,000 for Subcommittee

on Intergovernmental Relations, both of the Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments; S. Res. 52, to extend the authority until February 15, 1950, and provide $50,000 of additional funds for the Senate Subcommittee on Investigations of the Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments; and an original resolution providing for the printing as a Senate Document of hearings held before the Committee on Rules and Administration on limitation of debate in the Senate. This resolution will be introduced at the next meeting of the Senate.

The committee also voted to report H. R. 1252, to amend the Legislative Reorganization Act of 1946, to repeal the 1-year prohibition against the executive branch of the Government employing former professional staff members of congressional committees.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Fifty-one public bills, H. R. 2536–2586; twenty-two private bills, H. R. 2587–2608; and twelve resolutions, H. J. Res. 155–157, H. Con. Res. 29–36, and H. Res. 90–94, were introduced.

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Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. Res. 80, requesting a progress report from the Secretary for National Defense on the national defense program (H. Rept. 36);

H. Res. 88, providing for expenses of studies and investigations, authorized by rule XI (h) (1), incurred by Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments (H. Rept. 37);

H. Res. 82, providing $100,000 for expenses of Select Committee To Study and Investigate the Problems of Small Business (amended) (H. Rept. 38);

H. Res. 78, providing $200,000 for further expenses of the Committee on Un-American Activities in conducting certain studies and investigations (H. Rept. 39);

H. R. 2402, extending office of War Assets Administrator and War Assets Administration from February 28, 1949, to June 30, 1949 (H. Rept. 40);

Nineteen private bills, H. R. 555, 574, 575, 576, 577, 578, 581, 583, 591, 592, 594, 595, 596, 609, 610, 611, 697, 1813, and 1870 (H. Repts. 41–59);

H. J. Res. 92, continuing authority of Maritime Commission to sell, charter, and operate ships until June 30, 1949 (H. Rept. 60); and

H. Con. Res. 19, relative to congressional attitude toward the arrest and imprisonment of Archbishop Stepinatz, of Yugoslavia, and Cardinal Mindszenty, of Hungary (H. Rept. 61). Pages 1092–1093

Cotton Acreage Allotments: Disagreed to Senate amendments to H. R. 128, excluding cotton planted in 1949 from use in computing cotton acreage allotments for any subsequent year, requested a conference with the Senate, and appointed Representatives Cooley, Pace, Poage, Hope, and August H. Andresen as conferees on the part of the House. Page 1041

National Defense Information: Voted to table H. Res. 80, requesting a progress report from the Secretary for National Defense on the national defense program.

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Hatch Act: Passed H. R. 1243, to amend the Hatch Act relative to penalties for violations of this act by Federal civil-service employees. Page 1044

Expenditure Resolutions: Adopted the following resolutions providing funds for certain House committees:

H. Res. 88, providing $50,000 to the Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments for expenses of conducting studies and investigations with respect to Government operations.

H. Res. 82, amended to provide $100,000 for expenses of the Select Committee To Study and Investigate the Problems of Small Business.

H. Res. 78, providing $200,000 for further expenses of conducting the studies and investigations authorized by rule XI (1) (Q) incurred by the Committee on Un-American Activities (amended). Pages 1044–1045

Bills Referred: Twenty-four Senate-passed bills were referred to appropriate House committees. Page 1092

Bills Rereferred: Committee on Armed Services was discharged from consideration of H. R. 313, to amend title 26, U. S. Code so as to make the provisions thereof applicable to service personnel, and the bill was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from consideration of H. R. 325, to provide for a hearing of claims of U. S. employees before the U. S. Employees' Compensation Commission, and the bill was referred to the Committee on Education and Labor.

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Reciprocal Trade Agreements: Passed H. R. 1211, by a vote of 319 yeas to 69 nays. In today's action, the House rejected all proposed amendments to the bill, and defeated, by a vote of 151 yeas to 241 nays, a motion to recommit it. As passed by the House, the measure

repeals the Trade Agreements Extension Act of 1948 (P. L. 792, 80th Cong.), and extends until June 12, 1951, the authority of the President under section 350 of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended. Pages 1045–1081

Mindszenty-Stepinac: Adopted H. Con. Res. 19, to express the sense of the Congress with respect to the arrest and imprisonment of Archbishop Stepinac, of Yugoslavia, and Cardinal Mindszenty, of Hungary.

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Committee Meetings

COTTON

Committee on Agriculture: C. C. Smith, Staple Cotton Cooperative Association, of Greenwood, Miss., testified at the request of some of the members of the Subcommittee on Cotton at its discussion on national cotton problems. He has had wide experience in State extension service in the AAA program. Mr. Smith stated that a successful program must seek to provide adequate supplies of agricultural products for the consumers of this Nation at fair prices both to producers of agricultural commodities and to consumers, and at the same time provide for soil improvement. His observations were devoted to acreage problems, price supports, and general problems.

Following executive committee meeting yesterday afternoon with representatives of the Economic Cooperation Administration and the Departments of Commerce and Agriculture, the committee sent the following message to the ECA Administrator and the Secretaries of Commerce and Agriculture:

> That this committee request the Secretary of Commerce to remove immediately all requirements for individual license for the exportation of edible fats and oils to any approved foreign destination.

Also announced that hearings on H. R. 113, authorizing REA to finance and construct rural telephone lines, will start on Monday, February 14, before a subcommittee which is headed by Representative Poage, author of the measure.

FEDERAL SECURITY—NATIONAL DEFENSE

Committee on Armed Services: Ordered H. R. 1945 reported favorably to the House, a bill providing that the Vice President shall be a member of the National Security Council. Representative Wadsworth testified on behalf of this measure.

Ordered H. Res. 80 reported adversely to the House. This resolution would request the Secretary of Defense to report with respect to the progress being made in carrying on the national defense program.

Considered, but took no action on, H. R. 2010, relating to the acquisition and disposition of land and interests in land by the Army and Air Force. Witnesses heard on this measure were Brig. Gen. Aaron Bradshaw, Jr., Department of the Army, and George H. Myers, Jr., Corps of Engineers, Land Division.

RENT-CONTROL EXTENSION

Committee on Banking and Currency: Tighe E. Woods, Housing Expediter, resumed his testimony and urged favorable consideration of H. R. 1731, rent-control extension bill. He will continue with his statement at tomorrow's hearings.

MINIMUM WAGE

Committee on Education and Labor: Two witnesses, Ernest W. Greene, representing Hawaiian Sugar Planters Association, and David T. P. Nelson, representing American Institute of Laundering, testified at the hearings on H. R. 2033, amending the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938, regarding the raising of minimum wage rates from 40 to 75 cents an hour. Public hearings on this bill will continue on Monday, February 14.

FSA—DEPARTMENT OF WELFARE

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Federal Security Administrator Oscar R. Ewing spoke wholeheartedly in favor of H. R. 782, a bill designed to give the Federal Security Agency the status of a department, headed by a Secretary. He will continue with his testimony at tomorrow's meeting.

ECONOMIC COOPERATION ACT

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Met in executive session to continue discussion of Economic Cooperation Act and later reported out H. Con. Res. 19, to express the sense of the Congress with respect to the arrest and imprisonment of Archbishop Stepinatz of Yugoslavia and Cardinal Mindszenty of Hungary.

EXPENSE RESOLUTIONS

Committee on House Administration: Considered and ordered reported to the House H. Res. 78, 82, and 88. For titles on these resolutions see under Bills Reported in today's Digest Chamber Action.

ELECTORAL COLLEGE—BANKRUPTCY

Committee on the Judiciary: Former Representative Lea, of California, was heard by Subcommittee No. 1 in support of H. J. Res. 2, to amend the Constitution with respect to election of President and Vice President (abolishes the electoral college, etc.). Hearings will continue tomorrow.

Subcommittee No. 2 agreed to recommend favorably to the full committee H. R. 119, to amend the Bankruptcy Act in several respects (clarifying and perfecting amendments to various sections).

SHIP SALES

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Ordered H. J. Res. 92 reported to the House. This resolution, as amended, would continue the authority of the Maritime Commission to sell, charter, and operate vessels until June 30, 1949. The meeting was of an executive nature. Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

AERONAUTICS

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Williams subcommittee approved for reporting to the full committee H. R. 20, authorizing the creation of 10 professional and scientific positions in the headquarters and research stations of the National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics. Testifying on the subject were Ismar Baruch, Chief, Classification Division, Civil Service Commission, and Dr. Alexander Wetmore, vice chairman, National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics, accompanied by John Victory, secretary, and Dr. Hugh Dryden, Director of Research.

COLVILLE INDIANS

Committee on Public Lands: The Subcommittee on Indian Affairs considered H. R. 2432, restoring to tribal ownership certain lands upon the Colville Indian Reservation, Wash. Representative Horan; C. L. Graves, Superintendent, Colville Indian Agency; William Zimmerman, Commissioner, Office of Indian Affairs, Department of the Interior; and Chief Jim James (interpreter—Joe Monoghan), all testified in favor of the legislation. No action was taken, and the group adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

VETERANS' PENSIONS

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Joseph A. Clorety, national vice chairman, American Veterans Committee, testified in opposition to H. R. 1693 and related pension bills for World Wars I and II veterans. This testimony completes the hearings, and executive sessions will begin on the subject February 15. A brief executive session was held today at the conclusion of the open hearings to receive a report from Omar B. Ketchum and John T. Williamson, officials of the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

Joint Committee Meetings

PRESIDENT'S ECONOMIC REPORT

Joint Committee on the Economic Report: Committee continued hearings on the President's economic report with Leon Keyserling, Vice Chairman of Council of Economic Advisers, continuing his testimony on the economic background for the legislative recommendations contained in the President's report. He was followed by John D. Clark, member of the Council of Economic Advisers, who presented additional information on the background for the legislative program. Hearings continue tomorrow.

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HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed legislative budget resolution and D. C. daylight-saving bill.

Rule for consideration of export-control-extension bill granted by House committee.

Senate

Chamber Action

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Bills Introduced: Fifty-two bills and five resolutions were introduced as follows: S. 872 to S. 923; S. J. Res. 52; S. Con. Res. 17; and S. Res. 68, 69, and 70.

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Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

Committee on Small Business submitted five reports as follows: Final Report of Activities of Steel Subcommittee (S. Rept. 43);

Changes in Steel Distribution, 1940–47 (S. Rept. 44);

Participation of Small Business in Government Procurement (S. Rept. 45);

Small Business Finance and Taxation (S. Rept. 46); and

Newsprint and Paper Shortages (S. Rept. 47);

H. Con. Res. 22, to postpone from February 15 to May 1 the date for reporting the legislative budget established under the Legislative Reorganization Act (S. Rept. 48);

Report of Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce on communications problems (S. Rept. 49);

S. 461, clarifying provisions of section 602 (u) of the National Service Life Insurance Act of 1940 (S. Rept. 50);

S. 745, designating VA hospital at Chicago as Albert A. Sprague Veterans Memorial Hospital (S. Rept. 51);

S. 829, to extend the office of War Assets Administrator and the WAA from February 28, 1949, until June 30, 1949 (S. Rept. 52);

S. J. Res. 42, approving an interstate compact and creating the Gulf States Marine Fisheries Commission (S. Rept. 53);

H. R. 1252, to amend the Legislative Reorganization Act of 1946, to repeal the 1-year prohibition against the executive branch of the Government employing former professional staff members of congressional committees (S. Rept. 54);

S. J. Res. 51, to continue the authority of the Maritime Commissison to sell, charter, and operate vessels, with amendment (S. Rept. 55);

S. Res. 44, to pay a gratuity to the widow of the late Senate Chaplain (no written report);

S. Res. 45, to authorize study and investigation of the merchant marine, with amendment (no written report);

S. Res. 50, to authorize study and investigation of the financial conditions and operating efficiency of the airline industry, with amendment (no written report);

S. Res. 51, to extend authorities until February 15, 1950, and to provide $18,000 for the Subcommittee on International Organizations, and $15,000 for Subcommittee on Intergovernmental Relations, both of Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments (no written report);

S. Res. 52, to extend the authority until February 15, 1950, and provide $50,000 of additional funds for the Senate Subcommittee on Investigations of the Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments (no written report);

S. Res. 62, to authorize study and investigation of domestic land and water transportation, with amendment (no written report);

S. Res. 63, to authorize study and investigation of radio, telegraph, and telephone communications, with amendment (no written report);

S. Res. 64, to authorize study and investigation of fishing resources of the U. S. (no written report);

S. Res. 65, to authorize study and investigation of the Panama Canal and interoceanic canals (no written report); and

S. Res. 68, providing for printing as a Senate document of hearings held before the Committee on Rules and Administration on limitation of debate in Senate (no written report).

Pages 1105–1107, 1114

Bills Referred: Three House-passed bills were referred to appropriate committees.

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Hoover Commission: Report of Personnel Management Policy Committee of Commission on Organization of the Executive Branch of the Government was received.

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Washington's Farewell Address: The Vice President designated Senator Smith of Maine to read George Washington's Farewell Address on February 22.

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Routine Resolutions: The following four resolutions were adopted:

S. Res. 44, to pay a gratuity to the widow of the late Senate Chaplain, Rev. Peter Marshall;

S. Res. 51, to extend authorities until February 15, 1950, and to provide $18,000 for the Subcommittee on International Organizations, and $15,000 for Subcommittee on Intergovernmental Relations, both of the Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments;

S. Res. 52, to extend the authority until February 15, 1950, and provide $50,000 of additional funds for the Senate Subcommittee on Investigations of the Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments; and

S. Res. 68, providing for the printing as a Senate document of hearings held before the Committee on Rules and Administration on limitation of debate in the Senate.

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Cotton Acreage: Senate asked for a conference on H. R. 128, excluding cotton planted in 1949 from use in computing cotton-acreage allotments for any subsequent year, and appointed as conferees Senators Thomas of Oklahoma, Ellender, Lucas, Aiken, and Young.

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Legislative Budget: By voice vote, the Senate passed H. Con. Res. 22, to postpone from February 15 to May 1 the date for reporting the legislative budget established under the Legislative Reorganization Act, after rejecting, by 24 yeas to 43 nays, Bridges amendment to require report of such budget by March 15, 1949.

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D. C. Daylight-Saving Time: Senate passed S. 135, to authorize the D. C. Commissioners to determine each year if the D. C. will have daylight-saving time.

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Nominations: Received 39 civilian nominations and 2 withdrawals.

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Confirmations: Confirmed nomination of Judge Aubrey B. Fennell, D. C., to Municipal Court for D. C., along with 885 Marine, 99 Navy, and 3 Army appointments.

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Committee Meetings

FARM PRICE SUPPORT

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Continuing hearings on S. Res. 49, investigation of any Government agency tending to undermine price support for farm products, the committee received testimony from Secretary of Agriculture Brannan, who described the activities of the Commodity Credit Corporation in the exportation of farm commodities; Loring K. Macy, Chief of the Food Branch, Office of International Trade of Department of Commerce, who discussed the activities of his Department in that respect; and Manuel Rodriguez, president, Manuel Rodriguez Trading Corp., New York City, and John E. Jacobsen, exporter-importer, Washington, both of whom testified in opposition to restrictions on foreign trade.

LEGISLATIVE BUDGET

Committee on Appropriations: Committee, in executive session on February 9, voted to report without amendment H. Con. Res. 22, to postpone from February 15 to May 1 the date for reporting the legislative budget established under the Legislative Reorganization Act.

NOMINATIONS—SUBCOMMITTEES—PETROLEUM RESERVE

Committee on Armed Services: In executive session the committee took the following actions:

Ordered reported 974 Army, Navy, and Marine Corps nominations and promotions;

Appointed two subcommittees: a subcommittee consisting of Senators Kefauver, chairman, Chapman, and Baldwin to study and make a report back to the full committee on S. 213, to provide benefits for members of Reserve components of the armed forces who suffer disability or death from injuries incurred while engaged in active-duty training for periods less than 30 days or while engaged in inactive-duty training, and a subcommittee consisting of Senators Russell, chairman, Saltonstall, and Kefauver to study and make a report back to the full committee on S. 857, to provide a uniform code of military justice; and

Voted to approve a unit agreement for the 27-B pool of the Buena Vista Hills Oil and Gas Field (Naval Petroleum Reserve No. 2), Kern County, Calif.

HOUSING

Committee on Banking and Currency: Subcommittee on Housing and Rents continued its hearings on pending housing legislation, with five representatives of veterans' organizations testifying generally in support of GI housing legislation, as follows: Frank P. Scriven, AMVETS, testified that while the AMVETS accepts in principle S. 138, to establish a national housing policy, he has several points of issue with Senator Maybank's bill, S. 712; Harold A. Keats, national commander of AMVETS, stated, "I feel that solution of the housing problem lies in attacking the basic shortages of materials and labor first. Without such action no legislation can be 100 percent effective"; Ben Weitzer, Jewish War Veterans, favored essentially bills which will combine the best features of S. 138, S. 709, S. 712, and S. 724; Joseph A. Clorety, Jr., AVC, favored S. 138 and S. 712, urging their immediate approval; and Charles E. Foster, DAV, appeared "to support such legislation as will stimulate and increase the production of both rental and for sale housing units at rents and prices commensurate with the income of disabled veterans." Hearings continue tomorrow.

WAA AND REORGANIZATION

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: In executive session the committee agreed to report without amendment S. 829, to extend the office of War Assets Administrator and the WAA from February 28, 1949, until June 30, 1949.

The committee also continued hearings on S. 526, Reorganization Act of 1949, receiving testimony from Lt. Gen. Raymond A. Wheeler, Chief of Engineers, Department of the Army, who described the nature and extent of functions of the Corps of Engineers, together with the following, all of whom urged exemption of the Corps of Engineers from provisions of any reorganization bill, and registered opposition to transfer of civil functions to any other bureau or department: G. A. Messenberg, Speaker of House of Representatives of Virginia; J. G. Burke, Mississippi Valley Flood Control Association; Henry H. Buckman, National Rivers and Harbors Congress; Homer H. Harris, Sr., and L. R. Matthias, both of the Red River Valley Association; Paul A. Amundsen, American Association of Port Authorities; and William H. Webb (for John B. Quinn), Missouri Valley Development Association. Hearings continue February 15.

VETERANS—RECIPROCAL-TRADE HEARINGS

Committee on Finance: Committee ordered reported, without amendment, S. 461, clarifying provisions of section 602 (u) of the National Service Life Insurance Act of 1940, and S. 745, designating VA hospital at Chicago as Albert A. Sprague Veterans Memorial Hospital.

The committee announced that reciprocal-trade hearings (H. R. 1211) will start Thursday, February 17.

ECA

Committee on Foreign Relations: W. Averell Harriman, Ambassador, U. S. Special Representative in Europe continued his testimony before the committee in support of continuing the ECA program. Also testifying in support of the program were Thomas K. Finletter, Chief of ECA Mission to the United Kingdom, and Alfred Friendly, Director of Information, Office of the U. S. Special Representative in Europe. Hearings continue tomorrow.

LABOR

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Continuing hearings on S. 249, to repeal the Taft-Hartley Act, and the Thomas (Utah) substitute for the bill, the committee heard Woodruff Randolph, ITU, and Prof. David A. McCabe, Princeton University, express their views on the proposed legislation. In late session last night the committee received further testimony from Robert N. Denham, general counsel, NLRB, and Bilworth Brinton, Veterans Right To Work Committee of Arizona. Committee met again in night session.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Eighteen public bills, H. R. 2609-2626; five private bills, H. R. 2627-2631; and five resolutions, H. Con. Res. 37, and H. Res. 95-98, were introduced. Pages 1147-1148

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. Res. 95, providing for consideration of and 1 hour of general debate on H. J. Res. 84, providing for acquisition and operation of Freedom Train by U. S. Archivist (H. Rept. 62);

H. Res. 96, providing for consideration of and 1 hour of general debate on H. R. 2402, to extend the office of War Assets Administrator and the War Assets Administration (H. Rept. 63);

H. R. 1437, authorizing composition of Army and Air Force (H. Rept. 64);

H. R. 199, to provide privilege of becoming a naturalized citizen of U. S. to all immigrants having a legal right to permanent residence, and to make immigration quotas available to Asiatic and Pacific peoples (H. Rept. 65); and

H. Res. 97, providing for consideration of and 2 hours of general debate on H. R. 1661, to provide for continuation of authority for regulation of exports (H. Rept. 66). Page 1147

Special Orders: Under special orders the following Members addressed the House: Mr. Davis of Georgia, on "Government Finances," and Mr. Gathings, on "The Attractive Man From Galilee." Pages 1144-1147

Committee Meetings

MILK PRICE SUPPORT

Committee on Agriculture: Opened hearings on H. R. 2200, a bill directing the Secretary of Agriculture to announce the parity price of milk and the support price of milk. Representative Murray of Wisconsin, author of the measure, discussed its objectives and answered the committee's questions on the subject. Senator Humphrey and Representative Hull both spoke on behalf of the bill. Also testifying were Don Anderson, Assistant Director, Dairy Branch, Production and Marketing Administration; O. V. Wells, Chief, Bureau of Agricultural Economics; Carroll Hunter, Solicitor, Department of Agriculture; and Charles W. Holman, secretary, National Cooperative Milk Producers Federation. Hearings continue tomorrow.

RADAR SCREEN

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee No. 3 considered H. R. 314, to authorize the Secretary of the Air Force to establish land-based air warning and control installations for the national security. Testifying on the legislation were Lt. Gen. Muir S. Fairchild and Maj. Gen. Gordon P. Saville, both of the Department of the Air Force; Lt. Col. William Akman, Department of the Army; and Col. V. McCaul, U. S. Marine Corps, who gave the Navy's views. Will continue on same subject tomorrow in executive session.

RENT CONTROL

Committee on Banking and Currency: Housing Expediter Tighe E. Woods concluded his testimony at the hearings on H. R. 1731, rent-control extension bill, and was followed by Frank D. Scriven, representing the AMVETS; Leo Goodman, director, national housing committee, and John W. Edelman, national legislative committee, both of the CIO. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

D. C. PAY INCREASES

Committee on the District of Columbia: Various subcommittees heard witnesses at a hearing to consider salary increases for District employees. The following testified: Maj. Robert J. Barrett and Inspector Clarence Lutz, both of the Metropolitan Police Department; Dr. Hobart Corning, Superintendent of Schools; Elizabeth Griffith, president, Elementary School Teachers Association; and Lewis J. Hines, representing the A. F. of L. The same topic will be discussed tomorrow morning in an executive session.

OVERTIME PAY

Committee on Education and Labor: Held executive meeting on H. R. 858, to clarify the overtime compensation provisions of the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938, as applied in the stevedoring and building construction industries.

NATIONAL HEALTH AND WELFARE

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Representative Harris, author of H. R. 184, on creating an executive department of the Government to be known as the Department of Health, Education, and Security, urged favorable consideration of this bill. Committee also considered H. R. 1402, establishing a Department of National Health and Welfare, and Representative Miller of Nebraska, author of the bill, testified on behalf of the legislation. No direct testimony was given in the discussions on H. R. 782, to constitute the Federal Security Agency a Department of Welfare, and the committee adjourned until Tuesday to continue work on the three topics.

ECONOMIC COOPERATION ACT

Committee on Foreign Affairs: The following ECA mission chiefs testified at the hearings on H. R. 2362, to extend the 1948 Economic Cooperation Act: Thomas K. Finletter, representative to the United Kingdom, and David K. E. Bruce, representative to France. Hearings continue tomorrow.

ELECTORAL COLLEGE

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 1 continued hearings on a proposal to amend the Constitution to change the system of electing President and Vice President (abolishes Electoral College), and heard former Representative Clarence F. Lea and Ralph W. Donnelly. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

TERRITORIAL BILLS

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Territorial and Insular Possessions approved the following bills for reporting to the full committee: H. R. 220, amending the Alaska Game Act; H. R. 942, relative to amending an act increasing taxes of Alaskan lands; and H. R. 1337, authorizing public land sales in Alaska to Boy Scouts. Also considered, but deferred action on, H. R. 173, amending the Hawaiian Organic Act to prevent loss of nationality of certain persons. Officials of the Department of the Interior who testified today were Irwin W. Silverman, Chief Counsel, Division of Territories, on behalf of H. R. 173 and 942; Donald J. Chaney, Chief Counsel, Fish and Wildlife Service, on behalf of H. R. 220; and Herman Lieberman, legislative attorney, Bureau of Land Management, on behalf of H. R. 1337. Subcommittee will meet again tomorrow.

FREEDOM TRAIN—WAR ASSETS—EXPORT CONTROLS

Committee on Rules: Granted three rules for consideration of the following bills:

H. Res. 95, 1 hour's debate on H. J. Res. 84, Freedom Train bill;

H. Res. 96, 1 hour's debate on H. R. 2402, extending WAA to June 30, 1949; and

H. Res. 97, 2 hours' debate on H. R. 1661, extending export controls.

Representatives Murray of Tennessee, Miller of California, McCormack, and Rees, testified in behalf of the Freedom Train rule; Representative Holifield spoke on behalf of the WAA extension rule; and Representatives Spence, Brown of Georgia, and Talle requested the rule for 2 hours' debate on the export-control bill. Representative Wolcott, who favored a rule, requested that it be an open one. Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

Joint Committee Meetings

PRESIDENT'S ECONOMIC REPORT

Joint Committee on the Economic Report: Committee continued hearings on the President's economic report, receiving testimony from Secretary of Treasury Snyder, Secretary of Commerce Sawyer, and Secretary of Agriculture Brannan on various recommendations contained in the President's report. Hearings continue tomorrow.

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HIGHLIGHTS

House passed bills extending WAA and continuing Freedom Train.

First deficiency appropriation bill cleared for House consideration by Rules Committee.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 1148–1159

Bills Introduced: Forty bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 924 to S. 963; S. J. Res. 53; and S. Res. 71. Pages 1154–1155, 1158

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

Private bills without amendment: S. 208, 592, 593, 594, 624, 633, 634, 664, 748; and with amendment, S. 198 (S. Repts. 56 to 64, and 66, respectively);

S. Res. 40, to continue investigation of the immigration system (S. Rept. 65);

S. 206, to establish the status of permanent residence for certain wives and children of designated Chinese treaty merchants, with amendment (S. Rept. 67); and

S. 271, to create an additional judgeship in Georgia, with amendment (S. Rept. 68). Page 1154

Hoover Commission: Received reports from Commission on Organization of Executive Branch of Government on Office of General Services—Supply Activities; the Federal Supply System (appendix B); Records Management (appendix C); and a detailed report on the Federal Supply System. Page 1149

ECA: Second Annual Report of ECA was received. Pages 1163, 1180

Nominations: 7 civilian and 31 Navy nominations were received. Page 1174

Confirmation: Nomination of John Monroe Johnson, of South Carolina, to reappointment as Interstate Commerce Commissioner, was confirmed. Page 1174

Committee Meetings

FOOT-AND-MOUTH DISEASE

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: On Friday, February 11, Subcommittee on Foot-and-Mouth Disease met in executive session with Gen. H. H. Johnson, Joint Commission To Eradicate Foot-and-Mouth Disease in Mexico, and Dr. B. T. Simms, head of the Bureau of Animal Industry of the Department of Agriculture, to discuss the program of the Commission in Mexico.

DISASTER RELIEF

Committee on Appropriations: Committee, in a morning executive session, discussed the disaster-relief situation in the stricken Western States, and agreed to hold open hearings in the afternoon.

In the afternoon session, the committee heard the following witnesses discuss the existing situation in the stricken States: George H. Field, Commissioner, Bureau of Community Facilities, FWA; William Zimmerman, Jr., Acting Commissioner, Bureau of Indian Affairs; Gordon Gray, Assistant Secretary, Department of Army; Lt. Col. S. K. Yarborough, Operating Division of the Army; and Maj. Gen. R. C. Crawford, Corps of Engineers.

RESERVE DISABILITY BENEFITS

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee held hearings on S. 213, to provide benefits for members of Reserve components of the armed forces who suffer disability or death from injuries incurred while engaged in active-duty training for periods less than 30 days or while engaged in inactive-duty training, receiving testimony from the following witnesses in support of the bill: Rear Adm. T. L. Sprague and Commander David L. Martineau, both of the Navy; Maj. Gen. John Dahlquist, United States Army; Lt. Col. James H. Rasmussen, Air Force; Col. John P. Oliver, Reserve Officers' Association of United States; Melvin Maas and Maj. John Downs, both representing Marine Corps Reserve Officers' Association; and William C. Lewis, Jr., administrative assistant to Senator Smith of Maine.

HOUSING

Committee on Banking and Currency: Subcommittee on Housing and Rents continued hearings on pending housing legislation, and heard various witnesses as follows:

Walter Reuther, CIO, sponsored the provisions of S. 138, S. 712, and S. 724, and suggested his own plan of mass production of housing; Rodney M. Lockwood, first vice president, Thomas T. Coogan, secretary, and Herbert S. Colton, general counsel, all of the National

Association of Home Builders, generally opposed the legislation; James Rouse, Mortgage Bankers Association of America, opposed the public-housing provisions and recommended amendments to other sections of the pending legislation; Horace Russell and Abner Ferguson, United States Savings and Loan League, opposed public housing but urged enactment of slum-clearance program whereby States and cities would match Federal funds to clear blighted areas for redevelopment but divorced from any other proposals for public housing; John F. Everitt, National Retail Dealers Association, opposed public-housing provisions and recommended amendments to other sections of the pending bills; Luke W. Wilson, Progressive Party, told the committee that the bills do not go far enough; and Mrs. Leslie Wright, General Federation of Women's Clubs, appeared generally in support of a long-range comprehensive program.

On Friday, February 11, the committee heard Edward Lauber Stokes, former Member of Congress, state that building of homes is essentially a work for the States, not for the Federal Government. He said let the Government lend money if they choose to on mortgages at any fair rate. George B. Hamilton, National Association of Rural Housing, testified favorably to S. 685. J. W. Brabner Smith, attorney of Washington, urged the return to the principles of the original Housing Act concerning the secondary market for mortgage loans. Edgar G. Brown, National Negro Council, said definite language must be included in the proposed legislation to outlaw racial discrimination and segregation in administration, construction, finance, insurance, and occupancy. Calvin K. Snyder and Robert P. Gerholz, National Association of Real Estate Boards, presented views, stating that the bills do not house low-income families as proposed; do not clear slums but seek development of urban and suburban land; and that housing of people was not a proper function of the Federal Government, and housing will be better and less expensive if it is provided by the people themselves. Leonard A. Scheele, Surgeon General of the United States, favored S. 138. Hearings continue tomorrow.

ECA

Committee on Foreign Relations: The following witnesses testified before the committee in support of continuing the ECA program: N. H. Collisson, representative of the ECA to western Germany; Alan Valentine, Chief, ECA mission to the Netherlands; Howard Bruce, Deputy Administrator, ECA; Richard M. Bissell, Jr., Assistant Deputy Administrator, ECA; and D. A. Fitzgerald, Director, Food and Agricultural Division, ECA.

On February 11 the witnesses were Secretary of State Acheson; David Bruce, ECA mission to France; N. H. Collisson, representative of the ECA to western Germany; A. E. Staley, Jr., Chief, ECA mission to Norway; and James D. Zellerbach, Chief, ECA mission to Italy. Hearings continue tomorrow.

NOMINATIONS, PRIVATE BILLS, IMMIGRATION, CHINESE MERCHANTS, AND JUDGESHIP

Committee on the Judiciary: In executive session the committee ordered reported favorably the following nominations: Frank C. Bingham and Harry C. Arend to be United States attorneys for Alaska; Kehoe C. Shannon, marshal for the western district of Texas; Alfred J. Plowden, Jr., marshal for the eastern district of South Carolina; and George L. Grobe, United States attorney in New York.

The following private-claims bills were ordered reported favorably: With amendment, S. 198; and without amendment, S. 208, 592, 593, 594, 633, 634, and 748. Two private immigration bills were approved without amendment: S. 624 and S. 664.

The committee also approved for reporting the following: S. Res. 40, to continue investigation of the immigration system; S. 206, to establish the status of permanent residence for certain wives and children of designated Chinese treaty merchants, with amendment; and S. 271, to create an additional judgeship in Georgia.

LABOR

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Continuing hearings on S. 249, to repeal the Taft-Hartley Act, and the Thomas (Utah) substitute for the bill, the committee heard the following witnesses express their views on the proposed legislation: Robert Denham, NLRB; Glenn Gardiner, Forstmann Woolen Mills; Lawrence Chandler, Engineers Joint Council Panel; William Guffey, Wagner Electric Co., St. Louis; and Harvey Brown, International Association of Machinists. Hearings continue tomorrow.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Seventy public bills, H. R. 2632–2701; eighteen private bills, H. R. 2702–2719; and seven resolutions, H. J. Res. 158–160, and H. Res. 99–102, were introduced. Pages 1207–1211

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

Forty-four private bills: H. R. 572, 618, 637, 659, 683, 684, 739, 745, 767, 1036, 1043, 1057, 1061, 1066, 1076, 1093, 1094, 1095, 1098, 1103, 1137, 1164, 1169, 1176, 1271, 1279, 1280, 1286, 1299, 1300, 1452, 1459, 1461, 1471, 1489, 1490, 1501, 1597, 1602, 1794, 1983, 2089, 2261, and 2352 (H. Repts. 67–110, respectively);

H. R. 2632, first deficiency appropriation bill, 1949 (H. Rept. 111);

H. R. 1945, to provide that the Vice President shall be a member of the National Security Council (H. Rept. 112);

H. R. 967, for the relief of city of El Paso, Tex. (H. Rept. 113);

H. R. 1509, for the relief of city and county of San Francisco (H. Rept. 114);

H. R. 1959, for the relief of county of Allegheny, Pa. (H. Rept. 115);

H. R. 2049, for the relief of certain postal employees (H. Rept. 116);

H. R. 2313, copper-import tax suspension (H. Rept. 117);

H. Res. 99, providing consideration of, waiving points of order against, and providing 3 hours of general debate on H. R. 2362, first deficiency appropriation bill, 1949 (H. Rept. 118); and

H. Res. 102, providing for the consideration of, and 1 hour general debate on, H. J. Res. 92, continuing the authority of the Maritime Commission to sell, charter, and operate vessels (H. Rept. 119). Pages 1207–1208

President's Messages: Received message from President transmitting the second report of the Economic Cooperation Administration, also received twenty-seventh report on lend-lease operations covering settlements with United Kingdom and Yugoslavia, both of which were referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs and ordered printed as House Documents (H. Docs. 74 and 75, respectively). Page 1180

War Assets: By voice vote the House passed H. R. 2402, to extend the Office of the War Assets Administrator and the War Assets Administration from February 28, 1949, until June 30, 1949. H. Res. 96, providing for consideration of the bill was previously adopted by the House. Pages 1181–1186

Appointments: The Speaker announced the following appointments:

Smithsonian Institution.—Members of the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution: Representatives Cannon, Cox, and Vorys.

U. S. Military Academy.—Members of the Board of Visitors to the U. S. Military Academy: Representatives Mahon, Brooks, Engel of Michigan, and Meyer.

National Forests.—Members of the National Forest Reservation Commission: Representatives Colmer and Woodruff.

Jefferson Memorial.—Members of the Thomas Jefferson Memorial Commission: Representatives Smith of Virginia, Whittington, and Auchincloss. Page 1186

Order of Business: On motion of Mr. McCormack, by unanimous consent, the House agreed to dispense with Calendar Wednesday business of Wednesday, February 16; also agreed to dispense with call of bills on Private Calendar on February 15. Page 1180

Bill Referred: S. 135, D. C. daylight-saving-time bill, passed by the Senate on February 10, was today referred to the Committee on the District of Columbia. Page 1207

Freedom Train: Adopted H. J. Res. 84, to provide for the acquisition and operation of the Freedom Train by the Archivist of the United States. The measure, as passed with committee amendments, provides for the exhibition of the Freedom Train until July 5, 1951. H. Res. 95, providing for consideration of the measure, was previously adopted. Pages 1186–1199

Committee Meetings

RURAL TELEPHONES—FOOT-AND-MOUTH DISEASE

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee No. 1 considered H. R. 113, amending the Rural Electrification Act to finance and construct rural telephone lines. Representative Poage, author of the bill, presented a discussion of its objectives. Senator Hill; Claude Wickard, REA Administrator; and Gordon Persons, president, Alabama Public Service Commission, all testified on behalf of the bill. Everett C. Weitzell, REA analyst, gave the status of farm telephone service. Hearings continue tomorrow.

In an afternoon session, the Special Subcommittee on Foot-and-Mouth Disease (Representative Worley, chairman) opened hearings on this subject with Maj. Gen. H. H. Johnson, co-Director, Joint U. S.-Mexican Foot-and-Mouth Disease Commission, giving a general survey of the work done by that group and furnishing recommendations. Dr. C. W. Duckworth, California Department of Agriculture; and Drs. Sims, Clarkson, and Fladness, of the Bureau of Animal Husbandry, gave their views with regard to the proposed program of vaccination and control of the disease.

Subcommittee on Cotton heard further witnesses last Friday in its consideration of the national cotton problem with Dr. Vergil Reed, associate director of research, J. Walter Thompson Co., international advertising agency, who furnished the committee with his word picture of the situation with respect to jute and burlap in India. His views did not represent the policies of his company but rather his private observations as a result of a recent trip to India. Dr. C. W. Schoffstall, U. S. Tariff Commission, also testified and gave information with regard to duty on bags.

Subcommittee No. 1 also met Saturday to take up H. R. 2101, bill authorizing the Regional Agricultural Credit Corporation of Washington, D. C., to make certain disaster or emergency loans. Representative Case and Senators Hunt and O'Mahoney testified in behalf of the bill. George Field, Bureau of Community Facili-

ties, FWA, made a presentation of the questions involved in storm-stricken areas of the Middle West.

GUIDED MISSILES—RADAR SCREEN

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee No. 1 considered H. R. 1741, authorizing establishment of a joint long-range proving ground for guided missiles, for scientific study, testing, and training purposes by the Departments of Army, Navy, and Air Force. Heard on this proposed project were Gen. Muir S. Fairchild, Vice Chief of Staff, Brig. Gen. William L. Richardson, and C. V. Whitney, Assistant Secretary, all of the Department of the Air Force; Dr. Karl Compton, Chairman, Research and Development Board; Maj. Gen. H. B. Saylor, Department of the Army; and Commander Harris, Joint Executive Group, Department of the Navy. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

Subcommittee No. 3 reported two bills favorably to the full group: S. 279, to authorize advance on the retired list of Lt. John T. McDermott, USN (retired), to the grade of lieutenant commander; and S. 630, to remove age limit for appointment to commissioned grade in the Supply Corps of the Navy. Capt. A. MacDill, of the Navy Department, testified in favor of both measures.

On Saturday Subcommittee No. 3 agreed to report H. R. 314 (radar screen) favorably to the full committee. This bill would establish land-based air warning and control installations for national security. Maj. Gen. Gordon P. Saville was the final witness before the group. Representatives from the armed services furnished testimony at Friday's executive meeting on the screen bill.

RENT CONTROL

Committee on Banking and Currency: Testifying in favor of H. R. 1731, rent-control extension bill, were M. Katzenstein, representing the New York Hotel Tenants League; Kenneth J. and Robert Marks, hotel tenants of Chicago, Ill.; Harry Silverstone, Hartford, Conn.; Clifford W. Patton, executive secretary, National Association of Consumers; Colston Warne, representing Consumers Union of U. S., Inc.; and representatives of the League of Women Shoppers.

MINIMUM WAGE—OVERTIME COMPENSATION

Committee on Education and Labor: Resumed hearings on H. R. 2033, amending the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938, regarding the raising of minimum wage rates from 40 to 75 cents an hour, and heard testimony from the following: Glenwood J. Sherrard, Boston, Mass., president, and Arthur J. Packard, Mount Vernon, Ohio, representatives of the American Hotel Association; Rufus G. Poole, attorney, Washington, D. C.; B. E. Urheim, executive secretary, American Retail Coal Association; Edward Pankow, president, Detroit Coal Bureau; Gilbert Johnson, Lake Carriers Association; Robert Ramspeck, executive vice president, Air Transport Association of America; M. M. Paschall, Uniontown, Ala.; and Horace Hayden, secretary, National Cotton Ginners Association. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

Held executive meeting Friday, following which the committee ordered reported to the House H. R. 858, to clarify the overtime compensation provisions of the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938, as applied in the stevedoring and building construction industries.

ECONOMIC COOPERATION ACT

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Held further hearings Friday on H. R. 2362, to extend the 1948 Economic Cooperation Act, and heard testimony from the following mission chiefs of the ECA: J. D. Zellerbach, representative to Italy; Vincent Barnett, Chief of Program Division, Italy; N. H. Collisson, deputy chief of ECA mission to United States-United Kingdom, occupied areas of western Germany; E. A. Staley, Jr., to Norway; and Dr. Alan Valentine, to the Netherlands. Committee also heard A. I. Henderson, general counsel, ECA. Adjourned until February 15.

IMMIGRATION—ELECTORAL COLLEGE

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 1 agreed to report 10 private immigration bills to the full committee. On Friday this same group held hearings on H. J. Res. 2, proposing an amendment to the Constitution providing for the election of President and Vice President (abolishing electoral college), and heard testimony of Senator Kefauver, Representative Lemke, and James A. Tawney, attorney, Washington, D. C. Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

Subcommittee No. 4 also met Friday and discussed pending bills but took no specific action.

POSTMASTERS

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Morrison subcommittee approved for reporting to the full committee H. R. 253, relating to the appointment of postmasters under civil service. Testifying at this hearing, which was held last Friday, were Tom Cargille, of the Post Office Department, and Floyd Bishop, National League of District Postmasters.

INDIAN LAND TAXES

Committee on Public Lands: Considered H. R. 2484, to authorize grants to Ferry and Okanogan County, Wash., in lieu of taxes on certain lands restored to tribal ownership, and heard the favorable testimony of Representative Horan, author of the bill, who gave a brief summary of provisions and problems of the county government; C. L. Graves, superintendent, Colville Indian Reservation; John Cleveland, chairman of business council of Colville Reservation; and Everett Hougland representing county commissioners of Ferry County. No final action was taken.

DEFICIENCY APPROPRIATION—SHIPS SALES

Committee on Rules: Granted two rules for consideration of the following bills:

H. Res. 99, providing 3 hours of general debate, waiving points of order against H. R. 2362, first deficiency appropriation bill, 1949; and

H. Res. 102, providing 1 hour of debate on H. J. Res. 92, continuing authority of Maritime Commission to sell, charter, and operate vessels until June 30, 1949.

Representative Cannon favored the rule on H. R. 2632, waiving points of order on the deficiency appropriation bill, and Representative Taber opposed.

Representative Bland spoke on behalf of the Maritime Commission resolution.

COPPER-IMPORT TAX—SOCIAL SECURITY

Committee on Ways and Means: At Friday's meeting the committee reported favorably on H. R. 2313, which, as amended, will suspend the import tax on copper for a further 2-year period until April 1, 1951.

It was also announced at this meeting by Chairman Doughton that the committee will begin social-security hearings on February 28. The first subject to be considered will be public assistance, including old-age assistance, aid to the blind, and aid to dependent children, which are covered in titles I, IV, and X of the Social Security Act. After interested witnesses have been heard on public assistance, the committee will then proceed with hearings on title II of the Social Security Act relating to old-age and survivors insurance benefits.

Joint Committee Meetings

COTTON ACREAGE

Conferees, on Friday, February 11, met on H. R. 128, excluding cotton planted in 1949 from use in computing cotton-acreage allotments for any subsequent year, and reached an accord to file a report. Senate conferees having receded from the Senate amendments, it was agreed to recommend enactment of the bill as it passed the House.

PRINTING

Joint Committee on Printing: Committee met and elected Senator Hayden as chairman, and Representative Norton as vice chairman. It also authorized the Public Printer to advertise for bids covering Government needs for paper for the public printing and binding and blank paper for the term of 3 months, beginning April 1, 1949. Committee meets again on March 7 to open paper bids.

PRESIDENT'S ECONOMIC REPORT

Joint Committee on the Economic Report: Committee continued hearings on the President's economic report, receiving testimony from Secretary of Labor Tobin; Oscar R. Ewing, Federal Security Administrator; and Thomas B. McCabe, Chairman, Board of Governors, Federal Reserve System.

On Friday, February 11, the committee heard Secretary of Interior Krug; Raymond M. Foley, Administrator, Housing and Home Finance Agency; and Tighe E. Woods, Housing Expediter.

Tuesday, February 15, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

House debated first deficiency appropriation bill for 1949.
Veterans' pension bill reported favorably by House committee.

Senate

Chamber Action

The Senate was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Thursday, February 17, at 12 noon.

Committee Meetings

HOUSING

Committee on Banking and Currency: Hearings before the Subcommittee on Housing and Rents on pending housing legislation continued with the following witnesses testifying:

Favoring the legislation were: Senator Pepper; John Carson, the Cooperative League; John A. Hannah, president, Michigan State College; J. Hillis Miller, president, University of Florida, representing Association of Land Grant Colleges and Universities; and John Thomas Taylor, Walter E. Alessandroni, and Elbert H. Burns, all of the American Legion. Corwin Wilson, director of research, Corwill Corp., stressed that the legislation to aid both rural housing and housing research presents an opportunity for simplification of designing for mass consumption.

George W. West, U. S. Chamber of Commerce, and John F. Everitt, National Retail Lumber Dealers Association, appeared in opposition to the bills. Hearings continue tomorrow.

SMALL BUSINESS

Committee on Banking and Currency: Senator Murray was heard in favor of his resolution, S. Res. 29, and Senator Wherry spoke in support of his resolution, S. Res. 55. Both resolutions are to create a Committee To Study Small Business. Hearings continue Friday.

REORGANIZATION

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Hearings were continued before the committee on S. 526, Reorganization Act of 1949, with eight witnesses testifying as follows: The five following witnesses favored exemption of the Corps of Engineers from the proposed reorganization bill: Theodore T. Knappen, representing the American Merchant Marine Institute; J. W. Woodruff, Jr., Chamber of Commerce, Columbus, Ga.; Carl A. Pierson, Chattahoochee Chamber of Commerce; Everett T. Winter, Mississippi Valley Association; and O. Slack Barrett, Ohio Valley Improvement Association, Cincinnati; A. E. Lyon, Railway Labor Executives Association, asked that the National Mediation Board, National Railroad Adjustment Board, Railroad Retirement Board, and the ICC be exempted; Maple T. Harl, FDIC, suggested enactment of S. 526 as introduced; F. Raymond Peterson, American Bankers Association, told the committee if any one of the three following agencies should be exempted under S. 526, then the other two should also be exempted: Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, Comptroller of the Currency, and FDIC; and a statement was submitted for the record by Maj. Gen. Lewis A. Pick, incoming Chief of Engineers, U. S. Army.

ECA

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee continued hearings on the continuation of the ECA, and received testimony generally in support of the program from Mrs. Harold A. Stone, League of Women Voters of the U. S.; Mrs. Laura Puffer Morgan, Women's Action Committee For Lasting Peace; and Mrs. Leslie Wright, General Federation of Women's Clubs. Also testifying were Frederick J. Libby, National Council for Prevention of War; and D. T. Buckley, Coal Exporters Association of the U. S.

ALASKAN JUDGESHIPS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee held routine hearings on the nominations of Anthony J. Dimond and Joseph W. Kehoe, to be U. S. judges in Alaska, and received testimony by Delegate Bartlett, of Alaska, in support of the two nominations.

LABOR

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Committee continued hearings on S. 249, to repeal the Taft-Hartley Act, and the Thomas (Utah) substitute for the bill, hearing William Green, AFL, express his views on the proposed legislation. Hearings continue tomorrow.

FEDERAL PUBLIC BUILDINGS

Committee on Public Works: Committee continued hearings on S. 245 and S. 714, providing for acquisition of sites and preparation of plans for Federal public buildings outside D. C., and received testimony in favor of the provisions of the bills from Mead Keller, Solicitor, Public Buildings Administration; and R. B. Kremers, National Association of Letter Carriers. Representative Hare, of South Carolina, submitted a statement in favor of the bills.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Thirty-seven public bills, H. R. 2720–2756; ten private bills, H. R. 2757–2766; and ten resolutions, H. J. Res. 103–105, H. Con. Res. 38 and 39, and H. Res. 161–165, were introduced. Pages 1236–1238

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. R. 2626, to increase the limit of cost of the GAO Building from $22,850,000 to $25,400,000 (H. Rept. 120);

H. R. 858, to clarify the overtime compensation provisions of the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938, as applied in the stevedoring and building construction industries (H. Rept. 121); and

H. R. 782, to constitute the Federal Security Agency a Department of Welfare (H. Rept. 122). Page 1236

Deficiency Appropriation: At the conclusion of general debate on H. R. 2632, first deficiency appropriation bill for 1949, the reading of the bill for amendments was commenced. Rejected an amendment to delete the provision pertaining to improvement of the House wing of the Capitol, and postponed further consideration of the measure until tomorrow. The bill appropriates $466,882,177.52, of additional funds for the operation of certain governmental agencies for fiscal year 1949. The amount provided by the bill is $14,002,400 below the budget estimates. Prior to consideration of H. R. 2632, the House adopted H. Res. 99, waiving points of order against, and providing for consideration of, and for 3 hours of general debate on H. R. 2632.

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Washington's Farewell Address: The Speaker appointed Representative Corbett to read Washington's Farewell Address to the membership of the House on Tuesday, February 22, 1949. Page 1234

Objectors: The following Members were named as the official objectors for the minority party:

Consent Calendar.—Representatives Cunningham, Byrnes of Wisconsin, and William L. Pfeiffer.

Private Calendar.—Representatives Dolliver, Smith of Wisconsin, and Lichtenwalter. Page 1234

Committee Meetings

RURAL TELEPHONES

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee No. 1 heard the testimony of the following representatives of independent telephone companies, who spoke in opposition to H. R. 113, authorizing the Rural Electrification Administration to finance and construct rural telephone lines; Col. William C. Henry, U. S. Independent Telephone Association, and president, Northern Ohio Telephone Co., Bellevue, Ohio; Jean Shotwell, Lufkin Telephone Co., Lufkin, Tex.; Neil Schreck, Bertrand Telephone Co., Bertrand, Nebr.; Minor Corman, Atmore Telephone Co., Atmore, Ala.; Clyde Bailey, executive vice president U. S. Independent Telephone Association; Hal Dumas, president, Southern Bell Telephone Co., Atlanta, Ga.; Elmer Wisen, general commercial manager, Southwestern Bell Telephone Co., St. Louis, Mo.; Russell B. Hopley, president, Northwestern Telephone Co., Omaha, Nebr.; and Frederick C. Hanley, National Association of Railroad and Utility Commissioners. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

GUIDED MISSILES—SERVICE BILLS

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee No. 1 approved for reporting to the full committee H. R. 1741, authorizing establishment of a joint long-range proving ground for guided missiles, for scientific study, testing, and training purposes by the Departments of Army, Navy, and Air Force. Concluding witnesses were C. V. Whitney, Assistant Secretary of the Air Force; Brig. Gen. William L. Richardson, Department of the Air Force; Dr. Karl Compton, Chairman, Research and Development Board; and a representative from the State Department.

Subcommittee No. 3 considered four bills and took the following action:

Approved to be reported to the full committee S. 632, to authorize certain Navy personnel to accept gifts and decorations by foreign governments; and S. 673, as amended, relating to pay and allowances of Naval Reserve officers performing active duty in rear admiral grade.

Agreed to hold over for further consideration S. 629, authorizing disposition of certain personal property in possession of Departments of Treasury, Army, Navy, or Air Force; and tabled S. 77, relating to restrictions against increased forces at any navy yard preceding a Presidential or congressional election.

RENT CONTROL

Committee on Banking and Currency: At the hearings on H. R. 1731, rent-control extension bill, Leon London and J. L. Nicoll, representing certain New York hotel tenants, spoke in favor of the extension, followed by John E. Owen, president, National Apartment Owners' Association, who spoke in opposition. Rodney Lockwood, vice president, National Association of Home Builders, submitted a statement in opposition to the bill. Hearings continue tomorrow.

MINIMUM WAGE

Committee on Education and Labor: Witnesses testifying on H. R. 2033, amending the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938, regarding the raising of minimum-wage rates from 40 to 75 cents an hour, were W. R. Blake, executive vice president, National Cotton Council of America; Dr. C. R. Sayre, executive director of the Delta Council; Maurice Purnell, Dallas News, Texas; C. H. Meredith, executive vice president, Industrial Association of Quincy, Ill.; and Representatives O'Hara of Minnesota and Bennett of Florida. Hearings continue tomorrow.

FSA—DEPARTMENT OF WELFARE

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Ordered reported, as amended, H. R. 782, a bill designed to give the Federal Security Agency the status of a department (Department of Welfare), headed by a Secretary. Today's witnesses were Dr. Henry A. Swanson, American Dental Association; Dr. John W. Green, American Medical Association; Dr. Robert E. S. Young, president, Association of American Physicians and Surgeons; Clarence R. Miles, manager, governmental affairs, U. S. Chamber of Commerce; Frederick J. Quigley, Medical Association of New Jersey; Dr. Margery Shearon, legislative consultant; and John J. Corson, circulation director, Washington Post.

ECONOMIC COOPERATION ACT

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Secretary of State Dean Acheson and Paul Nitze, also of the State Department, testified in the executive meeting of the committee on H. R. 2362, to amend the Economic Cooperation Act of 1948. An open meeting followed on this cooperation-extension proposal and the committee heard Alfred Friendly, Director, Information Division, Office Special Representative, ECA, and Richard M. Bissell, Jr., Assistant Deputy Administrator, who testified on the economic and financial aspects of the European recovery program.

GI FIANCÉS AND FIANCÉES

Committee on the Judiciary: Ordered H. J. Res. 160 reported to the House. This joint resolution authorizes the completion of the visa processing cases and admission of certain alien fiancés and fiancées of members of the U. S. armed forces. Also reported 10 private immigration bills to the House.

FISHING INDUSTRY

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Subcommittee on Fisheries and Wildlife Conservation opened hearings on consideration of problems relating to the fishing industry, with particular reference to imports of fish and fishery products. Testifying were Representative Bates of Massachusetts; Charles E. Jackson, general manager, National Fisheries Institute, Inc.; O. R. Strackbein, executive secretary, America's Wage Earners Protective Conference, both of Washington, D. C.; and A. W. Anderson, Chief, Branch of Commercial Fisheries, Fish and Wildlife Service. Also testifying were representatives of the fishing industry from New England, as follows: Gloucester, Mass.—Weston U. Friend, mayor of the city; John DelTorchio, president, Gloucester Fisheries Association; Melvin Bernstein, Fishing Vessel Owners Association; Ignatius Palumbo, treasurer, Empire Fishing Co.; Leonard Linquata, president, Progressive Fish Wharf, Inc.; Stanley Burgess, Lester S. Wass Post, No. 3, AL; and Gus Chekares, Cape Ann Board of Realtors. New Bedford, Mass.—Edmund O'Neil, New Bedford Food Producers Association. Point Judith, R. I.—E. W. Newton, Point Judith Fisherman's Cooperative Association. Boston, Mass.—Thomas Fulham, president, Federated Fishing Boats of New England and New York, Inc. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

PAY INCREASES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: The Murray subcommittee held an executive meeting and considered H. R. 1689, pay increases for Government department heads. Postponed further discussion until a later date.

CEMETERIES—PARKS—VETERANS

Committee on Public Lands: The Subcommittee on Public Lands considered, but took no final action, on the following bills: H. R. 954, interment in adjoining graves in national cemeteries of certain parents and children. A favorable statement on the legislation from Representative Rogers of Massachusetts was furnished by B. H. McKinley. H. R. 1662, acquisition by U. S. Government of facilities of Rainier National Park Co. Favorable testimony was offered by Representative Tollefson, author of this bill. H. R. 1655, Federal aid to State parks, on which Mrs. Harlene James, executive secretary, National Conference on State Parks, testified favorably; and H. R. 1549, permitting settlement of certain parts of Alaska by war veterans. Representative Lemke, who favored this bill, explained its provisions.

GAO BUILDING

Committee on Public Works: Ordered reported to the House H. R. 2626, to increase the limit of cost of the GAO Building from $22,850,000 to $25,400,000. Witnesses heard were Maj. Gen. Philip B. Fleming, Federal Works Administrator, and W. E. Reynolds, Commissioner, and H. G. Hunter, Assistant Commissioner, of the Public Buildings Administration.

VETERANS' PENSIONS—U. S. CODE

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Ordered reported favorably to the House H. R. 2681, which would grant pensions to World Wars I and II veterans at $90 a month on reaching age 65. For those needing aid and attendance of another person, the rate would be $120 per month. The bill would also increase the income limitation for widows and children from $1,000 to $2,000 for a widow without a child, and from $2,500 to $3,000 for a widow with a child or children. It also provides that widows of World War II shall be awarded pension on the same basis as widows of World War I. Provision is made to bar the drawing of compensation or retirement pay concurrent with receipt of pension, but the veteran may elect to receive the more favorable amount.

Pursuant to request of Representative Bryson, chairman of Judiciary Subcommittee No. 4, Chairman Rankin appointed the following subcommittee to consider in conjunction with the Judiciary subcommitee, H. R. 274, to codify title 38, Pensions and Veterans' Benefits: Representatives Allen of Louisiana, chairman, Teague, Patten, Meyer, and Patterson.

Joint Committee Meetings

PRESIDENT'S ECONOMIC REPORT

Joint Committee on the Economic Report: Committee continued its hearings on the President's Economic Report, with Willard L. Thorp, Assistant Secretary of State, discussing the relation of the foreign economic situation to domestic stability. John D. Clark, Council of Economic Advisers, testified further, concluding the presentation of the executive agencies on the recommendations embodied in the President's report. Committee meets tomorrow for a public round-table discussion of the report.

FOOT-AND-MOUTH DISEASE

Joint Meeting: Subcommittee on Foot-and-Mouth Disease of Senate Agriculture and Forestry Committee, and the Subcommittee on Agriculture of the Senate Appropriations Committee met together in executive session to hear a group of California legislators who have just returned from Mexico.

Wednesday, February 16, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

House passed deficiency appropriation bill and copper import tax suspension.

House committee approved bill creating position of Under Secretary of Defense.

Senate

Chamber Action

The Senate was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Thursday, February 17, at 12 noon.

Committee Meetings

CCC CHARTER

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Secretary of Agriculture Brannan appeared before the committee to urge early enactment of an administration-sponsored bill, S. 900, to amend comprehensively the CCC Charter Act, with particular reference to warehousing. H. E. Sanford, chairman, and W. F. Brooks, executive secretary, both of the National Grain Trade Council, also testified on the proposed legislation, suggesting certain modification. Hearings continue tomorrow.

MILITARY JUSTICE CODE

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee, in executive session, considered procedure to be followed by the full committee in handling S. 857, to provide a uniform code of military justice.

HOUSING

Committee on Banking and Currency: Hearings on pending housing legislation were continued by the Subcommittee on Housing and Rents with testimony from the following witnesses: Louis Justement, American Institute of Architects; Hugh Pomeroy, Westchester County Plan Association; Oscar R. Kreutz, National Savings and Loan League; Leslie Perry, NAACP; George M. Fuller, National Lumber Manufacturers Association; Ralph Brooks, Commerce and Industry of New York; Frederick W. Roche, State Housing Commission of Massachusetts; and Robert Morgan and Harry Held, both of National Association of Mutual Savings Banks. Hearings continue tomorrow.

ECA

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee held further hearings on continuation of the ECA program, with Secretary of Treasury Snyder; ECA Administrator Hoffman; and J. T. Sanders, National Grange, testifying generally in support of the legislation. Richard T. Dalton, American League for Undivided Ireland, also testified. Hearings continue tomorrow.

LABOR

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Committee continued hearings on S. 249, to repeal the Taft-Hartley Act, and the Thomas (Utah) substitute for the bill, hearing William Green, AFL; Paul M. Geary, National Electrical Contractors Association; Richard Gray, Building Trades Council, AFL; Walter Munro, former conciliation commissioner; and W. T. Gossett, Ford Motor Co. Hearings continue tomorrow.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Thirty-four public bills, H. R. 2767–2800; ten private bills, H. R. 2801–2810; and seven resolutions, H. J. Res. 166–168, H. Con. Res. 40, and H. Res. 106–108, were introduced. Pages 1277–1278

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

Five private bills, H. R. 652, 2463, 2474, 2605, and S. 279 (H. Repts. 123–127, respectively);

S. 630, to remove upper age limit for appointment to commissioned grade in Supply Corps of the Navy (H. Rept. 128);

S. 673, relating to pay and allowances of Naval Reserve officers performing active duty in rear-admiral grade (H. Rept. 129);

S. 632, to authorize certain personnel of the Navy to accept certain gifts and decorations by foreign governments (H. Rept. 130);

H. R. 2485, authorizing attendance of Marine Band at GAR encampment in Indianapolis, Ind. (H. Rept. 131);

H. R. 2681, granting pensions to veterans of World Wars I and II (H. Rept. 132); and

H. R. 2513, to amend section 58d of the Bankruptcy Act to provide that publication of notices to creditors be at the discretion of the court and section 58e to require that any Government agency listed as a creditor and the Comptroller General shall also receive notices (H. Rept. 133). Page 1277

Copper Import Tax: Passed, with an amendment, H. R. 2313, to suspend certain import taxes on copper. The amendment extends the suspension until March 31, 1951. Page 1238

Deficiency Appropriation: Resumed consideration of H. R. 2632, first deficiency appropriation bill for 1949, and defeated, by 237 nays to 148 yeas, a motion to recommit the bill with instructions to report the same back forthwith with an amendment increasing to $14 million the amount for grants to States for unemployment compensation and employment-service administration. Following the move to recommit the bill, the House passed the measure by 367 yeas to 19 nays. All amendments were rejected except one increasing to $10 million the amount for grants to States for employment-service administration and unemployment compensation. Pages 1241–1270

Filipino Rehabilitation: The Speaker appointed as members of the Filipino Rehabilitation Commission the following Members of the House: Messrs. Mills, Murdock, and Welch of California. Page 1272

Committee Meetings

RURAL TELEPHONES

Committee on Agriculture: Secretary of Agriculture Charles F. Brannan testified before Subcommittee No. 1 in its consideration of H. R. 113, authorizing the Rural Electrification Administration to finance and construct rural telephone lines. He expressed his Department's extreme interest in the subject of rural telephones and its anxiety to contribute whatever it could in the congressional consideration of this legislation. He said that the Department of Agriculture was strongly in favor of some move in the direction which would bring to the rural people of this country telephone service, and that they should have an opportunity to enjoy the standard of living which the rest of the people of this country are enjoying.

Also speaking on behalf of the bill were J. T. Sanders, legislative counsel, the National Grange; Harry Caldwell, North Carolina Grange; Gwyn Price, chairman, North Carolina REA; Ben Strong, legislative representative, National Farmers Union; Emil Loriks, farmer, South Dakota; Oscar Tortensen, farmer, Minnesota; Obed Wyum, Farmers Union, North Dakota, and president, State Association of REA Cooperatives; and Clyde Ellis, manager, National Rural Electric Cooperative Association.

Testifying in opposition to the bill was J. T. Naylor, vice president and general manager, Sunland-Tujunga Telephone Co., Sunland, Calif., who also represented the Pacific Coast Independent Telephone Committee on Rural Service. He presented a six-point program which he said had been pursued with considerable success in assisting the companies he represented. He concluded his statement by saying, "that there is no necessity for such legislation. Existing agencies are fully capable and are anxious to meet the rural telephone demand in pace with the country's capacity for production of telephone supplies and equipment. The Pacific coast offices of the RFC are doing a good job of helping the telephone companies in our area finance their operation."

UNDER SECRETARY OF DEFENSE—SERVICE BILLS

Committee on Armed Services: Ordered reported favorably to the House H. R. 2216, to provide for an Under Secretary of Defense. Secretary of Defense James Forrestal spoke on behalf of this bill.

The Committee also agreed to report the following bills to the House:

H. R. 2485, authorizing attendance of Marine Band at GAR encampment in Indianapolis; Ind.;

S. 279, a private bill;

S. 630, to remove upper age limit for appointment to commissioned grade in Supply Corps of the Navy;

S. 632, to authorize certain personnel of the Navy to accept certain gifts and decorations by foreign governments; and

S. 673, relating to pay and allowances of Naval Reserve officers performing active duty in rear-admiral grade.

RENT CONTROL

Committee on Banking and Currency: John E. Owen, National Apartment Owners Association, appeared for interrogation by the committee at the hearings on H. R. 1731, rent-control extension bill, and was followed by William E. Russell, general chairman, Metropolitan Fair Rent Committee. Mr. Russell did not finish his testimony and is scheduled to be the first witness when the committee continues the hearings tomorrow morning.

MINIMUM WAGE

Committee on Education and Labor: Representative Pace, and John W. Edelman, representing the Textile Workers, CIO, testified at the hearings on H. R. 2033, amending the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938, regarding the raising of minimum wage rates from 40 to 75 cents an hour. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

ECONOMIC COOPERATION ACT

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Economic Cooperation Administrator Paul Hoffman testified in support of continuing the ECA program at an executive meeting of the committee today. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

ELECTORAL COLLEGE—STRATEGIC MINERALS—HEROISM

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 1 heard the following witnesses on the proposals to amend the Constitution to abolish the Electoral College system, etc.: Representatives Johnson, Patman, Davis of Wisconsin, and Hays of Arkansas. The hearings will be continued and concluded on February 25, 1949.

The subcommittee also ordered favorably reported to the full committee, with amendments: H. R. 834, to amend the Contract Settlement Act of 1944 so as to authorize the payment of fair compensation to persons contracting to deliver certain strategic or critical minerals or metals in cases of failure to recover reasonable costs, etc.; and H. R. 157, authorizing the Attorney General of the United States to recognize and to award to outstanding courageous young Americans a medal for heroism known as the Young American Medal for Bravery.

Subcommittee No. 3 agreed to report favorably to the full committee four private claims bills.

FISHING INDUSTRY

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: The Subcommittee on Fisheries and Wildlife Conservation concluded its hearings on problems relating to the fishing industry, with particular reference to imports of fish and fishery products. Witnesses testifying today were the following representatives of the Atlantic Fishermen's Union, AFL: Capt. Patrick McHugh, secretary-treasurer; Leo Barrett, business agent, New Bedford branch; and Alphonsus Hayes and George Hogdon, business delegates, Gloucester branch, and John MacIntosh, business delegate, Portland, Maine.

They were followed by Manuel Pimental, Jr., president, Gloucester Central Labor Union; Joseph A. White, business agent, Gloucester Seafood Workers Union; John A. Donegan, president, Boston Seafood Workers Union, who also represented the Maine Seafood Workers Union; Joseph Grace, Massachusetts State Federation of Labor; Daniel J. Donovan, vice president, International Longshoremen's Association, AFL; W. Wade Ambrose, president and general manager, Westgate Sea Products Co. and California Fish Canners Association; Northcutt Ely, Sun Harbor Packing Co., San Diego, Calif.; Lester Balinger, Cannery Workers and Fisheries Union, AFL, San Diego; Lewis E. Nordlinger, import agents division of Association of Food Distributors, Inc., New York; Seth Levine, research consultant, CIO Maritime Committee; State Senator Cleveland Sleeper, Jr., Rockland, Maine; Richard Kulze, attorney, South-African Rock Lobster Producers and Packers; Harold S. Cary, general manager, American Tuna Boat Association; Arch E. Ekdale, California Fish Canners Association; Milroy Warren, R. J. Peacock Co. and Maine Sardine Packers Association; John D. Williamson, Fortune Fisheries, San Francisco, Calif.; and Carlton Crawford, Crawford Packing Co., Texas.

PRIVATE BILL

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: The Miller subcommittee approved for reporting to the full committee H. R. 1599, a bill for the relief of Mrs. Mary T. Maloney Preece. Representative Forand, author of the measure, spoke in its behalf.

STRATEGIC MINERALS

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Mines and Mining considered H. R. 976, 1239, 1962, 2031, 2047, and 2406, all bills relating to mine incentive payments for critical and strategic minerals and metals. Representative Mansfield, who introduced H. R. 1239, spoke in favor of the payments program. Also testifying was D. F. Carpenter, Chairman, Army-Navy Munitions Board, who was accompanied by Maj. Gen. S. P. Spaulding. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

Joint Committee Meetings

PRESIDENT'S ECONOMIC REPORT

Joint Committee on the Economic Report: Committee held round-table discussion on the President's economic report with a number of specialists in the field of taxation, investment, production, credit, prices, and insurance discussing the various recommendations embodied in the President's report. Committee continues tomorrow.

MARINE INSURANCE

Joint Committee on Foreign Economic Cooperation: The committee met at the request of representatives of the marine insurance industry—organization as well as private members—to present the industry's position and opinions as to the impact that the ECA marine insurance policy has had upon the marine insurance industry. It was also testified that because of the ECA policy of not providing dollars in their procurement authorizations to cover the marine insurance, such insurance was purchased by the foreign importers in their local currencies, which results in a final monopoly because of currency controls in the various participating countries. It was pointed out by the representatives of the marine insurance industry that the industry is losing the normal market which it enjoyed when trade was carried on in normal private channels. Testifying before the committee on the problem were: Howard

Bruce, Deputy Administrator of ECA, and Eric Cohler, Comptroller of the ECA, together with J. T. Byrne, president, Association of Marine Underwriters of the U. S., Judge C. M. Smithdeal, representing Cotton and Fire Marine Underwriters of Dallas, as well as the following persons representing various branches of the marine insurance industry: William D. Winton, Irvin Litt, L. S. Haefner, Percy Chubb, and George Ort.

D. C. TAXES

Joint Meeting: Subcommittees of the House and Senate District of Columbia Committees heard the following witnesses testify on ways and means to raise revenue for the District of Columbia, with particular reference to sales tax: William Press, Washington Board of Trade; Milton S. Kronheim, Milton S. Kronheim & Son, Inc.; Rufus Lusk, Washington Taxpayers Association; Col. Joseph Donohue, Retail Liquor Dealers Association; Ben Seigel, Americans for Democratic Action; C. F. Preller, Central Labor Union; Clifford H. Newell and Vernis Abscher, Federation of Citizens' Associations; Mrs. Franklin G. Sartwell, Northeast Council of Citizens' Associations; Elwood Davis, Junior Board of Commerce; Herbert S. Colton, Washington Building Congress; Sally Peek, Progressive Party of D. C.; Charles Bauer, Building Owners and Managers Association; Nelson Anderson, Federation of Business Men; Mrs. Leslie Wright, Northwest Council of Citizens' Associations; John Donohoe, Southeast Business Mens' Association, Inc.; J. Wesley Buchanan, Home Builders Association; J. Garrett Beitzell, Washington Real Estate Board; Edgar J. Brown, National Negro Council; Jerome B. McKee, American Legion for D. C.; David Whatley, Mrs. Monroe Burk, League of Women Voters; Ralph Curtis, Restaurant and Beverage Association of Washington; Dr. Everett Warren, District Optometric Association; Milton Kelenson, Washington Industrial Union Council, CIO; Graham Shields, Oil Heat Institute of Greater Washington; Mrs. B. McIlwee, a citizen of Washington; Col. Charles I. Stengle, Federation of Government Employees, AFL; Charles Sands, Hotel and Restaurant Employees and Bartenders Union, AFL; Frank Weakly, Hotel Association of Washington; Mrs. Harvey W. Wiley, D. C. Federation of Women's Clubs; and Dorothy Dean, Women's Auxiliary, United Public Workers, CIO.

Thursday, February 17, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed bills on extension of WAA and ship-sales authority.
Export-control extension passed by House.
Emergency loan fund for storm-stricken farm areas approved by House group.

Senate

Chamber Action

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Bills Introduced: Forty-eight bills and four resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 964 to S. 1011; S. J. Res. 54 and 55; S. Con. Res. 18; and S. Res. 72. **Pages 1329–1330, 1332**

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. Res. 15, to amend the cloture rule, with minority views (S. Rept. 69);

S. Con. Res. 10, to authorize additional funds for Joint Committee on Labor-Management Relations, with amendments (S. Rept. 70); and

S. J. Res. 31, providing for continuation of Freedom Train for 2 years (S. Rept. 71). **Page 1327**

Hoover Commission: A study and report on organization and administration of the Post Office Department was received from the Commission on Organization of the Executive Branch of the Government, which was referred to the Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments. **Page 1320**

Appropriations: Supplemental estimates of $11,500,000 for FWA, and $5,400,000 for White House repairs were received by the Senate and ordered to be printed as Senate documents. **Page 1319**

Bills Referred: Four House-passed bills were referred to appropriate committees. **Page 1333**

WAA: Senate passed H. R. 2402, to extend WAA until June 30, 1949. At the same time S. 829, a similar Senate bill, was indefinitely postponed. **Page 1337**

Committee Staff Increase: S. Res. 66, providing for additional personnel for Judiciary Committee, was adopted. **Pages 1327–1328**

Maritime Commission: Senate passed S. J. Res. 51, to continue the authority of the Maritime Commission to sell, charter, and operate vessels, after adopting one committee amendment and Brewster amendment to include in terms of measure any vessels under American registry which were acquired as war reparations. **Pages 1351–1352**

Nominations: A total of 1,059 nominations were received as follows: 3 civilian, 731 postmasters, 69 Navy, and 256 Air Force. **Pages 1357–1364**

Confirmations: Six civilian nominations, including that of John Theodore Koehler, of Maryland, to be Assistant Secretary of Navy, and 626 military nominations, were confirmed. **Page 1364**

Committee Meetings

CCC CHARTER

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Committee met in executive session to consider S. 900, to amend comprehensively the CCC Charter Act, after concluding public hearings with Roger Fleming, American Farm Bureau Federation, appearing to urge enactment of S. 900. Committee meets again tomorrow in executive session to consider the bill further.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Armed Services: Committee devoted most of the day to hearings on the nomination of Mon C. Wallgren, of Washington, to be Chairman of the National Security Resources Board. Senator Cain testified in opposition to the nomination, and Mr. Wallgren appeared in behalf of himself.

In the first part of the session the committee ordered reported the nomination of John Theodore Koehler, to be Assistant Secretary of the Navy, after hearing testimony in support of the nomination by Mr. Koehler and Secretary of Navy Sullivan.

HOUSING

Committee on Banking and Currency: Subcommittee on Housing and Rents continued its hearings on pending housing legislation receiving testimony from Representatives Javits and Bolton; Bernard Shufelt, Paralyzed Veterans; representatives of the Veterans' Administration; Gen. Thomas Farrell, chairman of New York City Housing Authority, Mayor Vincent V. Murphy, of Newark, and Frank P. Zeidler, of Milwaukee, all representing the Conference of Mayors; Robert T. Veit, Shields & Co.; Philip Schiff, American Association of Social Workers; Elmer Henderson, American Council of Human Rights; and Maurice A. Gersing, a housing consultant. Hearings continue tomorrow.

RECIPROCAL TRADE—COPPER

Committee on Finance: Committee opened hearings on extension of reciprocal trade agreements (H. R. 1211) with Willard L. Thorpe, Under Secretary of State, and Will Clayton testifying in support of the legislation.

At the beginning of the morning session the committee heard former Senator John A. Danaher testify in support of H. R. 2313, to suspend certain import taxes on copper.

ECA

Committee on Foreign Relations: Hearings were concluded on continuation of the ECA program, after receiving testimony from the following witnesses: Gilbert A. Harrison, AVC, testified in support of the continuation, and H. M. Griffith, National Economic Council, Inc., appeared in opposition to the program. The following witnesses also testified: Herman Fakler, Millers National Federation; Russell B. Brown, Independent Petroleum Association of America; A. G. Bryant, representing National Tool Builders Association, Cleveland; George F. Bauer, international trade section of New York Board of Trade; and David Whatley, attorney. Committee meets tomorrow in executive session.

LABOR

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Committee continued hearings on S. 249, to repeal the Taft-Hartley Act, and the Thomas (Utah) substitute for the bill, hearing Carl Brown, Foremen's Association of America; W. T. Gossett, Ford Motor Co.; Chester Irving, National Lumber Manufacturers Association; George Tichy, Timber Products Manufacturers Association; and Charles E. Wilson, General Electric Co. Hearings continue tomorrow.

FREEDOM TRAIN

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Committee reconsidered (committee had previously agreed to report the bill on February 2) S. J. Res. 31, providing for continuation of Freedom Train for 2 years, and voted to report the bill with amendments providing for a ceiling on expenses not to exceed $2,500,000 with the act terminating July 1, 1951.

The committee also voted to give the chairman authority to assign any pending bills to the various subcommittees of the standing committee.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Thirty-six public bills, H. R. 2811–2846; twelve private bills, H. R. 2847–2858; and four resolutions, H. J. Res. 169 and H. Res. 109–111, were introduced. Pages 1411–1412

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

Eight private bills: H. R. 668, 711, 1035, 1041, 1079, 1460, 1508, 1629 (H. Repts. 134–141);

H. R. 2101, storm emergency loans for farmers (H. Rept. 142);

H. R. 2216, to provide for an Under Secretary of Defense (H. Rept. 143);

H. R. 2660, to prohibit parking of vehicles on post office property (H. Rept. 144);

H. Res. 110, providing for consideration of and 1 hour of general debate on H. R. 2101, to authorize certain emergency loans by regional Agricultural Credit Corporation of Washington, D. C. (H. Rept. 145);

H. Res. 111, providing for consideration of and 1 hour of debate on H. R. 858, to clarify overtime compensation provisions of Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938, relative to stevedoring and building construction industries (H. Rept. 146);

H. R. 20, creating 10 professional and scientific positions in the headquarters and research stations of the National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics (H. Rept. 147); and

H. R. 2363, approval of Gulf States Marine Fisheries Compact (H. Rept. 148). Page 1411

New Mexico Land Jurisdiction: Passed H. R. 54, to retrocede to the State of New Mexico exclusive jurisdiction over lands of Los Alamos project of U. S. Atomic Energy Commission. Pages 1365–1366

Bill Rereferred: The Committee on Agriculture was discharged from further consideration of H. R. 1376, to provide assistance to farmers in securing farm housing and other farm buildings, and the bill was referred to the Committee on Banking and Currency. Page 1367

Export Controls: Adopted H. Res. 97, providing for consideration of and 2 hours of general debate on H. R. 1661, to provide for continuation of authority for the regulation of exports. Following general debate, amendments were accepted excluding agricultural commodities, including fats and oils, when the Secretary of Agriculture finds them in excess of the requirements of domestic economy, from the authority conferred by section 3, except with respect to the national defense and the foreign policy; and an amendment designed to guarantee the privilege of a hearing to parties under the enforcement provisions.

Defeated, by 222 nays to 139 yeas, a motion to recommit the bill with instructions to report the same back forthwith with an amendment providing for a 1-year extension of the present controls with the inclusion of the amendment covering commodities in surplus supply. Following the move to recommit, the bill was passed by 259 yeas to 102 nays. By unanimous consent the Senate export-control bill, S. 548, was taken from the Speaker's table and amended to conform to the House-passed bill, following which House passed S. 548 and tabled H. R. 1661. Pages 1367–1400

Committee Investigation: The House adopted H. Res. 66, to authorize the Committee on Public Lands to make investigations into any matter within its jurisdiction. Pages 1400–1401

Maritime Commission: Adopted, with committee amendments, H. J. Res. 92, to continue authority of Maritime Commission to sell, charter, and operate vessels. H. Res. 102, providing for consideration of H. J. Res. 92 was tabled due to unanimous consent consideration of the measure. Pages 1401–1403

Committee Meetings

EMERGENCY FARM LOANS

Committee on Agriculture: Voted unanimously to report favorably to the House H. R. 2101, to authorize the Regional Agricultural Credit Corporation of Washington, D. C., to make certain disaster or emergency loans. This bill makes available approximately $44,000,000 in loan funds for farmers in the storm-battered areas of the West and Southwest under terms set up in the bill. It makes a revolving fund of the Regional Agricultural Credit Corporation available for loans to farmers who need emergency credit to help them recover from the losses inflicted to their livestock, crops, and trees by the unprecedented storms and cold of the past 12 months.

RENT CONTROL

Committee on Banking and Currency: Held night hearings on H. R. 1731, rent-control extension bill, at which Mrs. J. H. Biggs, of Norfolk, Va., and other small-property owners testified in opposition to further rent-control extensions. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

MINIMUM WAGE

Committee on Education and Labor: Paul Sifton, legislative representative, UAW-CIO, was the only witness at the hearings on H. R. 2033, amending the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938, regarding the raising of minimum-wage rates from 40 to 75 cents an hour. He is scheduled to continue with his testimony at tomorrow's meeting.

ECONOMIC COOPERATION ACT

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Economic Cooperation Administrator Paul Hoffman completed his testimony in support of continuing the ECA program at today's executive meeting. Following this, an open hearing was held at which Secretary of Treasury John W. Snyder and Charles F. Brannan, Secretary of Agriculture, testified. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

PRIVATE CLAIM

Committee on House Administration: The Subcommittee on Accounts approved H. Res. 93, private claim resolution, for reporting to the full committee.

TERM EXTENSION—WITNESS FEES

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 2 heard Representative Harris, of Arkansas, speak in support of H. J. Res. 16, proposing to amend the Constitution to make terms of Representatives in Congress 4 years.

The following representatives of the Commerce Department testified in support of H. R. 1950, for the relief of certain consultants formerly employed by the Technical Industrial Intelligence Committee of the Foreign Economic Administration: E. C. Turney and Louis J. Kupper, Office of Liquidation, and Barney Stol and Fritz Puls, Office of the Solicitor.

The following witnesses from the Department of Justice were heard in support of H. R. 1953, to increase the fees of witnesses before U. S. district courts: E. J. Matchett and George Miller.

GULF COMMISSION

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Ordered reported to the House H. R. 2363, granting congressional approval to an interstate compact relating to the better utilization of the fisheries of the Gulf coast, and creating the Gulf States Marine Fisheries Commission. Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

AERONAUTICS—POSTMASTERS—VEHICLE PARKING

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Ordered the following bills reported favorably to the House:

H. R. 20, creating 10 professional and scientific positions in the headquarters and research stations of the National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics;

H. R. 253, relating to the appointment of postmasters under civil service;

H. R. 1599, for the relief of Mrs. Mary T. Maloney Preece; and

H. R. 2660, prohibiting vehicle parking upon any Federal property used for postal purposes.

NATIONAL MINERALS ACT

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Mines and Mining continued hearings on H. R. 976, H. R. 2031, and related bills, on mine incentive payments for strategic and critical minerals. Evan Just, Director of Strategic Materials Division, Economic Cooperation Administration, discussed the ECA program with regard to strategic minerals. Hearings continue tomorrow.

NAVIGATIONAL PROJECTS

Committee on Public Works: Held executive meeting and approved various resolutions for engineering survey of navigational projects.

OVERTIME ON OVERTIME—DISASTER LOANS

Committee on Rules: Reported two open rules, both granting 1 hour's consideration of the following bills:

H. Res. 110, rule for H. R. 2101, making emergency loan funds available for western and southwestern farmers. Representatives Cooley, Hope, Hill, and Granger spoke on behalf of the rule.

H. Res. 111, rule for H. R. 858, to clarify overtime compensation provisions of the Fair Labor Standards Act as applied in the stevedoring and building construction industries. Representatives Lesinski and McConnell spoke in favor of the rule.

Joint Committee Meetings

PRESIDENT'S ECONOMIC REPORT

Joint Committee on the Economic Report: Committee continued round-table discussion on the President's Economic Report with a number of specialists in the field of taxation, investment, production, credit, prices, and insurance completing their discussion of the various recommendations embodied in the President's report. Committee continues tomorrow.

ATOMIC ENERGY—LOS ALAMOS

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Committee held hearings on S. 152, to retrocede jurisdiction over lands at Los Alamos to the State of New Mexico, receiving testimony from David Lilienthal, Chairman, Carroll Tyler, and Adrian Fisher, all of the AEC. Senator Anderson also made a statement concerning the retrocession bill.

The contract authority of the AEC was discussed by S. C. Schlemmer and Carroll Wilson, both of the AEC.

D. C. HOME RULE

Committee on the District of Columbia: Subcommittees of the House and Senate District of Columbia Committees held hearings on proposals for home rule for the District of Columbia, receiving testimony from the following witnesses in support of some kind of home rule, each of whom made various kinds of recommendations. A few confined their remarks to segregation: E. F. Colladay, counsel, Washington Board of Trade; Ganson Purcell, Alexander Hawes, and Sturgis Warner, Washington Home Rule Committee; Gen.

U. S. Grant III, National Park and Planning Commission; Wilbur Finch and Kenneth Armstrong, Suffrage Conference of D. C.; Mrs. Milton Dunn, League of Women Voters; Woolsey Hall, Federation of Civic Associations; Harry M. Stull, Federation of Citizens Associations; Mrs. Charlotte Sillers, United Public Workers, CIO; Dr. Clark Foreman, Progressive Party of the D. C.; Miss Evans, Washington Industrial Union Council, CIO; Paul Matthews, Jr., Board of Commerce; J. C. Turner, Harold V. Boisvert, and James W. Bryan, all of Democratic Central Committee; Harry S. Wender, D. C. Recreation Board; David Watley; Daniel Crystal, Lawyers' Guild; and Edgar Brown, National Negro Council. Dr. George Galloway, Legislative Reference Service, was present in an advisory capacity.

The following testified in opposition to home rule for the District: Rufus Lusk, Washington Taxpayers' Association; Mr. Kamerow, Federation of Business Men's Association; and Jerome B. McKee, American Legion, D. C. Chapter.

Monday, February 21, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed 17 bills on call of calendar, and cleared export-control extension for President.

House passed emergency storm loan bill.

Various nominations and minor bills approved by Senate group.

Public hearings on rent-control extension bill concluded by House committee.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 1413–1425

Bills Introduced: Twenty-four bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 1012 to S. 1035; and S. Res. 73. Pages 1418–1419, 1420

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 88, to amend section 60 of the Bankruptcy Act relative to changing the rule of preference in bankruptcy proceedings (S. Rept. 72);

Private bills: S. 196, 782, and with amendments S. 30 (S. Repts. 73 to 75, respectively);

S. 152, to retrocede jurisdiction over lands at Los Alamos to the State of New Mexico (S. Rept. 76);

S. 612, Swiss bombing claims (S. Rept. 77); and

S. Res. 72, to extend S. Res. 223 of the Eightieth Congress, providing for a study of the foot-and-mouth disease and its incidence in neighboring countries (S. Rept. 78). Page 1418

President's Message: Message from President recommending continuation and expansion of cooperative programs in public health, sanitation, education, and agriculture with other American Republics through the Institute of Inter-American Affairs was received and referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations. Pages 1414, 1440

Bill Placed on Calendar: H. R. 54, to retrocede jurisdiction over lands at Los Alamos to the State of New Mexico, was placed on the calendar. Page 1421

Export Control: Senate concurred in House amendment to S. 548, to recommend that the existing export controls be extended until June 30, 1951, thus clearing the bill for the President. Pages 1421–1422

Calendar Bills Passed: On call of the calendar, 17 unobjected-to bills, of which 10 were private, were passed as follows:

Without amendment and cleared for President:

Professional staff: H. R. 1252, to amend the Legislative Reorganization Act of 1946, to repeal the 1-year prohibition against the executive branch of the Government employing former professional staff members of congressional committees.

With amendment, to be sent back to House:

Freedom Train: H. J. Res. 84, providing for continuation of Freedom Train for 2 years, after substituting the language of S. J. Res. 31 therefor. (S. J. Res. 31 was indefinitely postponed.)

Without amendment and cleared for House:

Fishery compact: S. J. Res. 42, approving an interstate compact and creating the Gulf States Marine Fisheries Commission;

VA hospital: S. 745, designating VA hospital at Chicago as Albert A. Sprague Veterans Memorial Hospital;

Insurance: S. 461, clarifying provisions of section 602 (u) of the National Service Life Insurance Act of 1940; and

Private bills: Nine private bills, S. 208, 592, 593, 594, 633, 624, 634, 664, and 748.

With amendment and cleared for House:

Palestine refugees: S. J. Res. 36, authorizing a special contribution of $16,000,000 by the U. S. to the UN for the relief of Palestine refugees;

Georgia judgeship: S. 271, to create an additional judgeship in Georgia; and

Private bill: One private bill, S. 198. Pages 1426–1431

Nominations: Received the following nominations: 14 civilian, 47 Army, and 20 Air Force. Pages 1436–1437

Committee Meetings

CCC CHARTER—FOOT-AND-MOUTH DISEASE

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: On February 18 the committee met in executive session to consider further S. 900, to amend comprehensively the CCC Charter Act, and following the meeting announced that further open hearings would be held on the bill on Wednesday and Thursday.

It also agreed to report favorably S. Res. 72, to extend S. Res. 223 of the Eightieth Congress providing for a study of the foot-and-mouth disease and its incidence in neighboring countries.

FIRST DEFICIENCY APPROPRIATION

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Appropriations held hearings on H. R. 2632, first deficiency appropriations for 1949, hearing Senator Downey, who directed his testimony against the provision of the House-passed bill which would repeal section of the law which provides—

> That after January 31, 1949, no part of any appropriation for the Bureau of Reclamation contained in this Act shall be used for the salaries and expenses of a person in any of the following positions in the Bureau of Reclamation, or of any person who performs the duties of any such position, who is not a qualified engineer with at least five years' engineering and administrative experience: (1) Commissioner of Reclamation; (2) Assistant Commissioner of Reclamation; and (3) Regional Director of Reclamation.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

NOMINATION

Committee on Armed Services: Committee heard Senator Cain continue his testimony in opposition to the nomination of Mon C. Wallgren, of Washington, to be Chairman of the National Security Resources Board. Hearing continues Thursday.

HOUSING

Committee on Banking and Currency: Subcommittee on Housing and Rents concluded its hearings on pending proposed housing legislation, after hearing Senator Cain testify in support of his bill, S. 757, to provide an effective method for the construction of low-rent homes with a minimum of Federal control and expenditure.

Tomorrow the subcommittee will meet on S. 351, to authorize sale of suburban resettlement projects known as Greenbelt, Md., and Greendale, Wis., and Greenhills, Ohio, without regard to provisions of law requiring competitive bidding or public advertising.

On Friday, February 18, the subcommittee heard testimony from the following witnesses on the pending general housing bills: Richard J. Gray, building and construction trades department, AFL, who favored extensive low-rent housing program as means of securing decent homes for families in lowest income brackets; H. L. Mitchell, National Farm Labor Union, AFL, who urged legislation providing not less than 200,000 additional units of low-cost rental housing earmarked for the use of farm workers; Rev. Thomas B. Keehn, Congregational Churches, who felt that subsidized public housing for low-income groups is widely accepted in America today as both morally right and economically sound; Dr. Goodrich C. White, president of Emory University, who urged the committee to include the Pepper-Neely amendment in reporting out the National Housing Act of 1949 (S. 138); and Rt. Rev. Msgr. John O'Grady, National Conference of Catholic Charities, who was convinced that private enterprise can provide ways and means of meeting the housing needs of middle-income groups, with the additional aids which are recommended and which are provided in the bills before the committee.

RECIPROCAL TRADE

Committee on Finance: Committee continued hearings on H. R. 1211, extension of reciprocal trade agreements, receiving testimony from the following witnesses in opposition to the House-passed version of the bill: H. L. Coe, Bicycle Institute of America; John L. Coulter, National Renderers Association; Richard H. Anthony, American Tariff League; O. R. Trackbein, America's Wage Earners Protective Conference; and Robert F. Martin, Vitrified China Association, Inc. The following testified on the effect of reciprocal-trade-agreements program on the petroleum industry: Russell R. Brown, Independent Petroleum Association; Walker T. Pound, Oklahoma State conservation officer; Jeff A. Robertson, Kansas Corporation Commission; Gen. Ernest O. Thompson, railroad commissioner of Texas; J. P. Coleman, North Texas Oil and Gas Association; Warwick M. Downing; Rush M. Blodget, Oil Producers Agency of California; Wirth Franklin; B. A. Hardey; and C. H. Murphy, Jr.

Howard Richmond, Crompton Co., testified as to the effect of reciprocal-trade-agreements program on the textile industry. Hearings continue tomorrow.

On Friday, February 18, committee heard Senator Lodge speak on the effect of the reciprocal-trade-agreements program on fish, watch, and leather industries in Massachusetts. The following three witnesses testified in support of the House-passed version of the bill: William Swingle, National Foreign Trade Council; W. R. Ogg, American Farm Bureau; and Mrs. Oscar Ruebhausen, League of Women Voters. F. E. Mollin, American Livestock Association, testified in favor of restrictive provisions of the present law.

On Saturday, February 19, the committee heard Senator Saltonstall talk on the effect of the reciprocal-trade-agreements program on the watch and fish industries in Massachusetts. Walter Cenerazzo, American Watch Workers Union, and Daniel J. Lyne, trustees in possession of Waltham Watch Co., testified as to the effect of the trade-agreements program on the watch industry; Harold T. Partridge discussed the watch industry in America; and Robert Canfield, American Paper and Pulp Association, testified in opposition to the House-passed version of the bill.

NORTH ATLANTIC PACT—ECA

Committee on Foreign Relations: On Friday, February 18, in a morning executive session, the committee worked on drafting a proposed extension of the ECA program. In the afternoon the committee met in executive session to hear Secretary of State Acheson discuss the proposed North Atlantic pact.

BUREAU OF MINES

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Committee met in executive session, and after the meeting announced that it had agreed to hold open hearings on the nomination of James Boyd to be Director of Bureau of Mines, beginning March 7.

TRANSPORTATION COSTS (BASING POINT)

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee on Transportation Costs continued its hearings on S. 236, to formulate a policy as to transportation costs in interstate commerce, to promote competition, and to strengthen the antitrust laws, and received testimony from the following witnesses: H. W. Rigby, Champion Paper & Fiber Co., Hamilton, Ohio; Milton A. Smith, U. S. Chamber of Commerce; Sumner S. Kittelle, attorney, Kittelle & Lamb, Washington; Otis Brubaker, United Steelworkers of America, CIO; William A. Quinlan, attorney, Washington; J. T. Sanders, National Grange; and Edward A. Zimmerman, attorney, Chicago.

FEDERAL JUDGES—PRIVATE AND BANKRUPTCY BILLS

Committee on the Judiciary: In executive session the committee approved for reporting immediately the following nominations: Herbert W. Erskine to be judge of the northern district of California; Joseph W. Kehoe to be district judge (No. 2) in Alaska; Anthony J. Dimond to be district judge (No. 3) in Alaska; James J. Boyle to be marshal for southern district of California; two U. S. attorneys (Alfred E. Modarelli and Lester Luther); David Edelstein to be Assistant Attorney General in charge of Customs Division; and Walter L. Pope to be circuit judge for the ninth circuit, U. S. Court of Appeals.

It also approved two other nominations, but which will be held awaiting minority report from Senator Langer, to be presented to the Senate: Albert M. Cristy to be associate justice of Supreme Court of Hawaii, and Wilson C. Moore to be fourth judge of the First Circuit Court of Hawaii.

The following private bills were approved for reporting: S. 30, 196, and 782. Committee also approved for reporting S. 45, to provide relief for operators of certain gold mines, with amendment, and S. 88, to amend section 60 of the Bankruptcy Act, relative to changing the rule of preference in bankruptcy proceedings. Two private bills were ordered postponed: S. 61 and 262.

A subcommittee met prior to the full committee meeting to hear Representative Mansfield make a statement in support of the nomination of Walter L. Pope to be circuit judge of the ninth circuit, U. S. Court of Appeals.

LABOR

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Committee continued hearings on S. 249, to repeal the Taft-Hartley Act, and the Thomas (Utah) substitute for the bill, with J. T. Sanders, National Grange, and B. A. Whitney, Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen, expressing their views on the proposed legislation. Hearings continue tomorrow.

On Friday, February 18, the following witnesses testified: S. J. Fosdick, National Retail Dry Goods Association; George Idol, American Trucking Associations; Ira Mosher, National Association of Manufacturers; H. L. Mitchell, National Farm Union, AFL; Stanley W. Oliver, International Federation of Technical Engineers, Architects, and Draftsmen, AFL; and Herman W. Steinkraus, U. S. Chamber of Commerce.

On Saturday, February 19, the committee heard the following: Howard I. Young, American Mining Congress; Nathan Feinsinger, professor of law, University of Wisconsin; Donald Kirkpatrick, American Farm Bureau Federation; George B. Christensen, attorney, Chicago; and Harry P. Jeffry, Foremen's League for Education and Association. Hearings continue tomorrow.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Fifty-nine public bills, H. R. 2859–2917; twenty private bills, H. R. 2918–2937; and seven resolutions, H. J. Res. 170–173, H. Con. Res. 42, and H. Res. 112 and 113, were introduced. Pages 1471–1473

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. Res. 90, payment of gratuity to estate of deceased House employee (H. Rept. 149);

H. J. Res. 160, authorizing the completion of the visa processing cases and admission of certain alien fiancés and fiancées of members of the U. S. armed forces (H. Rept. 150);

H. R. 253, relating to the appointment of postmasters under civil service (H. Rept. 151); and

Six private bills, H. R. 729, 1878, 1599, 2268, 2704, 2708 (H. Repts. 152–157, respectively). Pages 1470–1471

Death Gratuity: Adopted H. Res. 90, providing for payment of 6 months' salary to the estate of a deceased House employee and $250 to defray funeral expenses. Page 1437

Inter-American Affairs: Received message from President requesting the continuation and expansion of the cooperative programs in public health, sanitation, education, and agriculture with the other American Republics through the Institute of Inter-American Affairs. The message was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs. Page 1440

Consent Calendar: Passed the following bills on the call of the Consent Calendar:

Cleared for the President:

Stamp: S. 492, in lieu of H. R. 1432, to issue a special stamp commemorating two hundredth anniversary of founding of city of Alexandria, Va.

Sent to the Senate without amendment:

Land conveyance: H. R. 164, to convey certain lands to Churntown Elementary School District, Calif.

Land disposition: H. R. 1401, disposition of recreational demonstration project lands to Mount Hope Cemetery Association of Waterloo, Mich.

Pinellas County, Fla.: H. R. 1998, to correct a land description in Public Law 666 (80th Cong.) which conveyed certain lands to Pinellas County, Fla.

Relief: H. R. 1509, for the relief of the city and county of San Francisco.

Sent to Senate, amended:

Relief: H. R. 967, for the relief of the city of El Paso, Tex.

Passed over without prejudice: H. R. 1959 and H. R. 1997. Pages 1440–1442

Suspensions: The House voted to suspend the rules and passed the following two bills:

GAO Building: S. 713, authorizing the construction of and increasing the limit of cost of General Accounting Office Building from $22,850,000 to $25,400,000. H. R. 2626, a similar bill, was tabled.

Overtime compensation: H. R. 858, to clarify the overtime compensation provisions of the Fair Labor Standards Act as applied in the longshore, stevedoring, building and construction industries (amended). H. Res. 111, providing for consideration of H. R. 858 was tabled. Pages 1443–1450

Education and Labor: Adopted H. Res. 75, authorizing the Committee on Education and Labor to conduct studies and investigations relating to matters within its jurisdiction. Pages 1450–1452

Freedom Train: Agreed to Senate amendment to H. J. Res. 84, providing for acquisition and operation of the Freedom Train, thus clearing the bill for the White House. The measure authorizes expenditure of 2½ million dollars for this project. Pages 1452–1453

Storm Loans: Passed H. R. 2101, to authorize the Regional Agricultural Credit Corporation of Washington, D. C., to make certain disaster or emergency loans. This measure will enable the Department of Agriculture to provide immediate loan assistance to farmers of all types and stockmen who have suffered from the effects of the unprecedented storm conditions throughout the western United States. H. Res. 110, making in order the consideration of H. R. 2101, was previously adopted by the House. Pages 1453–1463

Committee Meetings

FARM PRICE SUPPORTS

Committee on Agriculture: Announced that a series of hearings will begin Wednesday, February 23, dealing with agricultural production and price supports. These public hearings will be held by a special subcommittee headed by Representative Pace as chairman. The first subject to be considered will be revisions to the Agricultural Act of 1948, commonly known as the Aiken bill.

SERVICE COMPENSATION—CIA

Committee on Armed Services: Opened hearings on H. R. 2553, armed services pay, allowance, and benefit bill. Secretary of Defense James Forrestal and Charles R. Hook, Chairman, and Lawrence H. Whiting, member, of the Advisory Commission on Service Pay, discussed the legislation.

At a meeting last Friday, Subcommittee No. 3 agreed to favorably report to the full committee H. R. 2663, to provide for the administration of a Central Intelligence Agency. Testifying in support of the bill were Brig. Gen. Edwin Wright, Deputy Director, and Walter Pforzheimer, assistant general counsel, both of the CIA.

RENT CONTROL

Committee on Banking and Currency: Concluded public hearings on H. R. 1731, rent-control extension bill, hearing Eugene M. Zuckert, who testified in favor of continued controls at and near military installations. Housing Expediter Tighe E. Woods returned for questioning by the committee. At an executive session on Wednesday, February 23, Members of Congress will be heard on this subject.

MINIMUM WAGE

Committee on Education and Labor: Completed public hearings last Friday on H. R. 2033, increasing minimum-wage rates, and heard as its final witnesses two national legislative representatives, namely, Paul Sifton, UAW-CIO, and Walter Mason, of the AFL. Also testifying were Stanley W. Oliver, president, International Federation of Technical Engineers, Architects, and Draftsmen; and Representative Hays of Arkansas. Executive sessions on this legislation will begin on March 1.

ECONOMIC COOPERATION ACT

Committee on Foreign Affairs: D. T. Buckley, chairman, Government relations committee, Coal Exporters Association of the United States, and L. Dan Jones, attorney for the Independent Petroleum Association of America, testified before the committee on H. R. 2362, to amend the Economic Cooperation Act of 1948. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

COAST GUARD—AERONAUTICS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Met last Friday and ordered the following bills reported to the House:

H. R. 35, regarding the use of Coast Guard stations for the handling of commercial messages; and

H. R. 781, as amended, relative to amending the Civil Aeronautics Act regarding the purchase and transportation of supplies and materials to Alaska.

ECONOMIC CONSULTANTS—POLISH VETERANS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 2 approved last Friday for reporting to the full committee, H. R. 1950, for the relief of certain consultants formerly employed by the Technical Industrial Intelligence Committee of the Foreign Economic Administration; and

Adversely reported H. R. 125, authorizing the incorporation of the Polish Legion of American Veterans.

COAST GUARD

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Subcommittee on the Coast Guard, at a meeting last Friday, ordered reported to the full committee H. R. 1823, to establish a Women's Reserve as a branch of the Coast Guard Reserve; and H. R. 1824, to permit certain civilian employees, who were transferred to the Coast Guard in a military status under the act of July 23, 1947, to credit service as a civilian employee in computing military pay.

CIVIL-SERVICE BENEFITS

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: On Friday, the Davis subcommittee approved for reporting to the full committee H. R. 997, to extend the benefits of the Civil Service Retirement Act of 1930 to employees who were involuntarily separated during the period July 1, 1945, to July 1, 1947, after having rendered 25 years of service but prior to attainment of age 55.

STRATEGIC MINERALS

Committee on Public Lands: Witnesses heard by the Subcommittee on Mines and Mining in its consideration of H. R. 976, 2031, and related bills on mine incentive payments for critical and strategic minerals and metals, were Frank Eichelberger and Jesse L. Maury, both mining engineers; and Robert S. Palmer, executive director, Colorado Mining Association. Hearings were adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

Joint Committee Meetings

PRESIDENT'S ECONOMIC REPORT

Joint Committee on the Economic Report: Committee concluded its hearings on the President's economic report on Friday, February 18, after holding a round-table meeting with experts on labor, industry, agriculture, and small business discussing the various recommendations embodied in the President's report.

AEC CONTRACT POLICY

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: The following officials of the Atomic Energy Commission met with the committee in open session to discuss the general contract policy of the AEC: Commissioner Lewis L. Strauss; General Manager Carroll L. Wilson; Walter J. Williams, Director, Division of Production; and Wilbur E. Kelley, Manager of the New York Operations Office.

D. C. FISCAL AFFAIRS

Joint Meeting: On Friday, February 18, subcommittees of the House and Senate District of Columbia Committees met in executive session to consider District of Columbia fiscal affairs. Committees meet again on the same subject Wednesday.

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Under this date are covered the proceedings of the Senate for February 22, and the proceedings of the House for February 22 and 24, as well as committee meetings for February 22, 23, and 24.

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate groups voted to report bills on housing and interstate commerce, and resolutions on funds for investigations.

Senate committee concluded hearings on labor bill.

Radar-screen and guided-missiles bills approved by House committee.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 1473–1482

[Proceedings of Tuesday, February 22]

Bills Introduced: Eight bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 1036 to S. 1043; and S. Res. 74. Page 1481

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 45, to provide relief for operators of certain gold mines, with amendments (S. Rept. 79). Page 1481

Bills Referred: Seven House-passed bills were referred to appropriate committees. Page 1481

Washington's Farewell Address: Senator Smith of Maine read George Washington's Farewell Address. Pages 1474–1478

Committee Meetings

AGRICULTURAL CREDIT—CCC CHARTER

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: On February 24, committee held further hearings on S. 900, to amend comprehensively the CCC Charter Act, with Frank K. Wooley, Vice President, and Elmer F. Kruse, Manager, both of CCC, explaining relation of CCC to Department of Agriculture. J. E. McDonald, commissioner of agriculture of Texas, and C. H. Tandy, Brownsville, Tex., testified generally in support of S. 900.

Senators O'Mahoney, Hunt, Ecton, Miller, and Murray testified in support of S. 913 and H. R. 2101, to authorize the Regional Agricultural Credit Corporation to make certain disaster or emergency loans. They urged immediate action on the legislation.

On February 23, the committee met on S. 900, to amend comprehensively the CCC Charter Act, and received testimony from Walter R. Scott, Kansas City Board of Trade, in opposition to the bill.

J. T. Sanders, the National Grange, spoke in general support of the measure, and John H. Todd, Washington representative of the National Cotton Compress and Cotton Warehouse Association, recommended that the bill be amended to restrict governmental operations in the cotton-storage field.

DEFICIENCY APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: On February 24, the Subcommittee on Deficiency Appropriations continued its hearings on H. R. 2632, first deficiency appropriation for 1949, and received testimony from Secretary of Interior Krug, Michael W. Straus, and Senator McFarland, on the provision of the House-passed bill repealing the section of the law which prohibits salaries to the following positions unless the persons filling them have had at least 5 years engineering and administrative experience: (1) Commissioner of Reclamation, (2) Assistant Commissioner of Reclamation, and (3) Regional Director of Reclamation.

In the afternoon session the subcommittee heard testimony from P. L. Smith, National Association of Electric Companies, on funds for the steam plant at New Johnsonville, Tenn., under TVA.

Senator Thomas of Oklahoma and two representatives of Indians testified on funds for the Choctaw and Chickasaw Indians.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

On February 23, the subcommittee received testimony in connection with the same bill from Delegate Bartlett on converting vessel for Alaska service; from Paul J. Raver, Bonneville Power Administrator, on funds for Bonneville Dam; and the following witnesses on the steam plant at New Johnsonville: James King, New

Jersey Department of Conservation and Economic Development Commission; Morris Pager, Kansas Industrial Development Commission; C. C. Kilker, Kansas State Chamber of Commerce; and Gordon Clapp, Director of TVA. Hearings continue tomorrow.

On February 22, the subcommittee heard Senator Downey conclude his testimony in opposition to provision of the House-passed bill repealing the section of the law which prohibits salaries to positions in the Bureau of Reclamation, mentioned above. H. E. Foreman, Associated General Contractors of America, Inc., and Kenneth W. Markwell, Associate Commissioner, directed their attention to the provision of the House-passed bill which would repeal the section limiting day labor or force-account work contained in the Interior Department Appropriation Act of 1949.

WALLGREN NOMINATION

Committee on Armed Services: On February 24, Senator Cain continued his testimony in opposition to the nomination of Mon C. Wallgren, of Washington, to be Chairman of the National Security Resources Board. Mr. Wallgren himself also appeared in behalf of his nomination. Three temporary employees of the NSRB appeared for questioning. Committee meets again tomorrow.

HOUSING—SMALL BUSINESS—RENT CONTROL—VETERANS—ECONOMIC STABILIZATION

Committee on Banking and Currency: In executive session on February 24, the committee, by 9 to 3, voted to report, with amendments, the subcommittee print of S. 138, to establish a national housing policy. It was agreed that this new substitute bipartisan bill would be introduced and reported as a clean bill under a new number.

Action on small-business resolutions (S. Res. 29 and S. Res. 55) was deferred for the time being.

It was agreed that hearings on rent control would be held beginning March 3 and 4, with Government witnesses. From March 7 to 11 outside witnesses will have an opportunity to testify.

Hearings will be held between March 7 and 11 by Subcommittee on Economic Stabilization, on S. 529, Veterans Economic Development Corporation Act of 1949.

Hearings were announced on Economic Stabilization Act of 1949, beginning March 16. In conjunction with this, testimony will be taken on the study of the spread between producers' and consumers' prices.

Charges made against the RFC by the Strickland Furniture Co., of High Point, N. C., will not be taken up at this time. The RFC subcommittee will hold hearings Monday, February 28, on the nomination of Walter Dunham to be Director of RFC. Hearings on the nomination of Hawthorne Arey to be Director of Export-Import Bank will be held in the near future.

HOUSING

Committee on Banking and Currency: On February 23, Subcommittee on Housing and Rents concluded its work on redrafting, with amendment, S. 138, to establish a national housing policy, and then approved it for reporting to the full committee.

PUBLIC HOUSING PROJECTS

Committee on Banking and Currency: On February 22, Subcommittee on Housing and Rents heard Senators McCarthy and Wiley testify in support of S. 351, to authorize sale of suburban resettlement projects known as Greenbelt, Md., Greendale, Wis., and Greenhills, Ohio, without regard to provisions of law requiring competitive bidding or public advertising. Arthur R. Marcus, Maxwell H. Elliott, and Robert R. Posten, all representing American Legion posts, also testified in support of the bill and discussed their plans for increasing the housing facilities if they were enabled to acquire the projects. John Taylor Egan, Public Housing Administration Commissioner, also testified.

RECIPROCAL TRADE—COPPER

Committee on Finance: On February 24, committee continued hearings on H. R. 1211, extension of reciprocal trade agreements. Senator Malone spoke generally on the bill and Senators Flanders and Smith of Maine discussed the effect of the reciprocal trade agreements program on the clothespin industry. Winthrop G. Brown, Director of the Office of International Trade Policy, State Department, appeared further before the committee to be questioned as to the relation of the International Trade Organization and the reciprocal trade agreements program.

Senator Malone also testified in support of H. R. 2313, to suspend certain import taxes on copper.

On February 23, in connection with the extension of the reciprocal trade agreements bill, the committee heard Joseph H. Francis, National Board of Fur Farm Organizations, discuss the effect of the trade agreements program on the fur industry. The following witnesses discussed the effect the program would have on the fish industry, particularly of the New England States: A. W. Anderson, Fish and Wildlife Service of the Interior Department; Charles E. Jackson, National Fisheries Institute; Seth Levine; John Del Torchio, Cape Ann Fisheries; Thomas A. Fulham, Federated Fishing Boats of New England and New York, Inc.; and Patrick J. McHugh, Atlantic Fishermen's Union. John Price Gregg and Oscar B. Ryder, both of the U. S. Tariff Commission, appeared to answer questions on the operation of the trade agreements program. Winthrop G. Brown, Director of the Office of International Trade Policy, State Department, appeared in behalf of Assistant Secretary of State Thorp to be questioned as to the relation of the International Trade Organization and the reciprocal trade agreements program. Hearings continue tomorrow.

On February 22, Albert Goss, the National Grange, told the committee his organization did "not believe H. R. 1211 will provide the type of tariff system the Nation needs." A. Carnow, American Watch Assemblers Association, and Benjamin S. Katz, Gruen Watch Co., discussed the effect the program would have on the watch industry. The following witnesses testified in support of the legislation: Stanley H. Ruttenberg, CIO; J. G. Shennen, Elgin National Watch Co.; Mrs. Margaret F. Stone, National Women's Trade Union League of America; and Mrs. Leslie Wright, General Federation of Womens Clubs. W. Lunsford Long discussed the effect the trade program would have on tungsten, and Lewis R. Parker, Albany Felt Co., discussed the effect of the program on the felt industry. Hearings continue tomorrow.

NOMINATIONS—ECA

Committee on Foreign Relations: On February 24, in executive session, the committee considered in preparation for reporting S. 833, to amend the Economic Cooperation Act of 1948. It will continue its work on this bill tomorrow.

The committee voted to report various nominations to the foreign service, Department of State, and international organizations, including a number of ambassadorships, many of which were recess appointments. Committee continues tomorrow.

On February 23, in executive session, the committee considered a number of the pending nominations.

INTERSTATE COMMERCE—TRANSPORTATION COSTS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: In executive session on February 23, the committee voted to report the following three bills, without amendment: S. 255, to amend section 205 of the Interstate Commerce Act relating to joint boards; S. 256, an omnibus bill to amend the Interstate Commerce Act; and S. 257, to amend the Interstate Commerce Act so as to set up a statute of limitations on the time within which actions may be brought up for the recovery of overcharges and undercharges by or against motor carriers, freight forwarders, and water carriers.

The committee voted to report favorably one routine nomination in the Coast and Geodetic Survey.

A subcommittee met in afternoon executive session to consider S. 236, to formulate a policy as to transportation costs in interstate commerce, to promote competition, and to strengthen the antitrust laws, but made no announcement.

ELECTORAL COLLEGE

Committee on the Judiciary: On February 23, committee opened hearings on S. J. Res. 2, to amend the Constitution by abolishing the electoral college and providing that the electoral votes in each State be divided between Presidential candidates in direct proportion to the popular vote, with the following Senators testifying in support of the resolution: Senators Lodge, Fulbright, Smith of New Jersey, Hoey, and Morse. Committee adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

LABOR

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: On February 23, committee concluded hearings on S. 249, to repeal the Taft-Hartley Act, and the Thomas (Utah) substitute for the bill, after hearing the following witnesses express their views on the pending legislation: Joseph E. Moody, Southern Coal Producers Association; Frank A. Constangy, American Cotton Manufacturers Association; Henry V. Rabouin, Conway's Express; William J. During, Precision Castings Co.; William Leiserson, formerly a member of the NLRB; Edgar G. Brown, National Negro Council; and Elizabeth Sasuly.

On February 22, the committee heard G. P. Van Arkel; David R. Clarke, Illinois Manufacturing Association; Frank Hunt, Manning, Maxwell & Moore; James W. Haley, National Coal Association; and Joseph E. Moody, Southern Coal Producers Association.

FEDERAL PUBLIC BUILDINGS

Committee on Public Works: Subcommittee on Public Buildings and Grounds, in executive session on February 24, considered S. 714, sites and plans for Federal public buildings, and agreed to report it to the full committee, with amendments. The full committee meets tomorrow in executive session, at which time it will receive and consider the report.

INVESTIGATIONS AND GRATUITY RESOLUTIONS

Committee on Rules and Administration: In executive session on February 23, the committee voted to report the following resolutions: S. Res. 32, to authorize an additional $25,000 for the Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs, with amendment; S. Res. 40, to increase the limit of expenditures by $135,000 for the Judiciary Subcommittee on Immigration, with amendment; S. Res. 72, to increase up to $8,000 and to continue authority of the Agriculture and Forestry Committee to investigate foot-and-mouth disease problems; and S. Res. 71, to grant a gratuity to Myra M. Hardy, widow of Charles Oscar Hardy, late employee of the Senate.

Paul R. Eaton was named chief clerk of the committee, to be effective March 1.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

[Proceedings of Tuesday, February 22, 1949]

Bills Introduced: Twenty-one public bills, H. R. 2938–2958; and four resolutions, H. J. Res. 174 and 175; and H. Res. 114 and 115, were introduced. Pages 1488–1489

Washington's Farewell Address: Met and heard the reading of Washington's Farewell Address by Representative Corbett. Pages 1482–1486

Bills Referred: Twelve Senate-passed bills, passed by the Senate on February 21, were referred to appropriate committees. Pages 1487–1488

Speaker Pro Tempore: Representative McCormack was designated by the Speaker to act as Speaker pro tempore on Thursday, February 24. Page 1487

Program: By unanimous consent the House agreed to adjourn over until Thursday and on Thursday to adjourn over until Monday, February 28. Page 1487

[Proceedings of Thursday, February 24, 1949]

Bills Introduced: Forty-seven public bills, H. R. 2959–3005; thirteen private bills, H. R. 3006–3018; and seven resolutions, H. J. Res. 176 and 177 and H. Res. 116–121, were introduced. Pages 1489, 1517–1518

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. R. 1741, to establish a long-range guided missiles proving ground (amended) (H. Rept. 158);

H. R. 2546, to establish radar air warning and control system (amended) (H. Rept. 159);

H. R. 2663, to provide for the administration of the Central Intelligence Agency (H. Rept. 160);

H. R. 942, to amend Public Law 593 (80th Cong.), relative to patented mining claims in Alaska (H. Rept. 161);

S. 170, to authorize transfer of certain property to the Secretary of the Interior (H. Rept. 162); and

H. Res. 121, providing for consideration of and 1 hour of general debate on H. R. 199, to make immigration quotas available to Asian and Pacific peoples. Page 1517

Speaker Pro Tempore: Adopted H. Res. 116, electing Representative McCormack Speaker pro tempore. Subsequently Representative Mansfield administered the oath of office to Representative McCormack. Page 1489

Bill Rereferred: The Committee on Veterans Affairs was discharged from consideration of H. R. 920, to authorize furnishing of headstones to mark actual or honorary burial places of deceased members or former members of military forces, and the bill was rereferred to the Committee on Armed Services. Page 1498

Special Orders: Under special orders the House heard Representative Hinshaw on "the Colorado—river of controversy"; Representative Holifield on "Atomic warfare leaves man no place to hide"; Representative Rivers on "Repeal of the tax on oleomargarine"; and Representative Patman on "Monopolistic mergers and trends." Pages 1500–1514

Committee Meetings

FORESTRY—RURAL TELEPHONES—PRICE SUPPORTS

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee No. 3, Representative Granger, chairman, opened hearings on a number of bills to improve and expedite the work of the Forest Service, and to authorize additional funds for cooperation with States in forest activities.

Many Members of Congress, who have introduced bills on the subject, tendered their views on the proposed program. Also testifying were the following officials of the Forest Service, Department of Agriculture: Lyle F. Watts, Chief, accompanied by E. I. Kotok, Assistant Chief, in charge of Forest Research Divisions, and Dr. R. E. McArdle, Assistant Chief, in charge of State and Private Forestry Divisions. Following these officials, the group heard the testimony of a number of representatives of State forestry services, and national forestry, lumber, conservation, and wildlife corporations.

Subcommittee No. 1 reported favorably to the full committee H. R. 113, a bill introduced by its chairman, Representative Pogue, authorizing REA to make 35-year loans at 2 percent interest, for the expansion, development, and improvement of rural telephone service. The bill was amended in order to protect existing telephone companies and encourage the development of rural telephones by private industry.

Began a series of hearings on Wednesday dealing with agricultural production and price supports. These hearings are being held by a special subcommittee, of which Representative Pace is chairman, and will consider several important agricultural measures, including repeal or revision of the Agricultural Act of 1948, commonly known as the Aiken bill. The first witness, Carroll Hunter, Solicitor, Department of Agriculture, presented a history of farm price supports, outlined the features of the Aiken bill, and discussed mandatory price support and special mandatory provisions for tobacco, wool, and potatoes. He also discussed discretionary price support for nonbasics, other than wool and potatoes, stating that price-support operations on the nonbasics are discretionary with the Department up to a maximum of 90 percent of parity. Mr. Hunter will resume his testimony when the subcommittee continues on this subject Friday, February 25.

CIA—RADAR SCREEN—GUIDED MISSILES

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee No. 3 ordered reported favorably to the full committee, amended, S. 629, authorizing disposition of certain personal property in possession of Departments of Treasury Army, Navy, or Air Force; and Subcommittee No. 1 considered, but took no action on, S. 278, to prevent retroactive checkage of payments erroneously made to certain retired Naval Reserve officers. Hearings will continue on this bill tomorrow.

On Wednesday, the following bills were ordered reported favorably to the House, with amendments:

H. R. 2663, to give permanent legal status to the Central Intelligence Agency;

H. R. 2546, to authorize construction of a radar-warning network to furnish early warnings in case of air raids; and

H. R. 1741, to establish a 3,000-mile-long test range for guided missiles.

RENT CONTROL

Committee on Banking and Currency: Met in executive session for consideration of H. R. 1731, rent-control extension bill, and postponed further action until another executive meeting scheduled for Monday, February 28. Members of the House expressed their views at the conclusion of the committee's public hearings on Wednesday. Representatives Lynch, Yates, Staggers, Javits, and Douglas spoke in favor of the extension bill, and Representative Gwinn was opposed to it.

NURSERY SCHOOL—PAY INCREASES

Committee on the District of Columbia: Subcommittee on Health, Education, and Recreation opened hearings on H. R. 1383, to continue a system of nursery schools for day care of D. C. children on a permanent basis. Commissioner John Russell Young and Dr. George C. Ruhland, Director, D. C. Health Department, testified. Mrs. Estelle Bunn, Mother Utilizing Services; Mrs. Gladys Cook, chairman, and Mrs. Marguerite Gray, member, both of the Advisory Committee for Child Day Care Centers; and Miss Florence Murry, representing Catholic Charities, all spoke in favor of continuation of the program.

The Subcommittee on Fiscal Affairs met in an executive session to discuss the salary bill increasing pay of D. C. employees. Also agreed to present for consideration by the full committee at its next meeting, H. R. 2437, D. C. teachers pay bill.

LAND TRANSFER

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Ordered reported to the House S. 170, transferring certain property in Box Elder County, Utah, to the Secretary of the Interior.

ECONOMIC COOPERATION ACT

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Heard further witnesses at the hearings on H. R. 2362, to amend the Economic Cooperation Act of 1948, taking testimony of Roy W. Gifford, chairman of the board, Borg-Warner International Corp.; Norman Littell, attorney, Washington, D. C.; and E. W. Reed, representing the National Millers Association. Other witnesses testifying on this subject Tuesday and Wednesday were Henry A. Wallace; Merwin K. Hart, president, National Economic Council; Frederick J. Libby, National Council for Prevention of War; Gilbert A. Harrison, American Veterans Committee; and representatives of the American Farm Bureau Federation and the American League for an Undivided Ireland.

ALIEN PROPERTY—BRAVERY MEDAL—CONSULTANTS

Committee on the Judiciary: Ordered the following bills reported favorably to the House:

S. 29, to authorize payments of claims based on loss of or damage to property deposited by alien enemies;

H. R. 157, authorizing the Attorney General of the United States to recognize and to award to outstanding courageous young Americans a medal for heroism known as the Young American Medal for Bravery (with amendment);

H. R. 1950, for the relief of certain consultants formerly employed by the Technical Industrial Intelligence Committee of the Foreign Economic Administration; and

Eleven private claims bills.

Also tabled H. R. 125, authorizing the incorporation of the Polish Legion of American Veterans.

GREAT LAKES SHIPPING

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: The Subcommittee on Maritime Affairs voted Wednesday to report H. J. Res. 143 to the full committee. This resolution would authorize vessels of Canadian registry to transport iron ore between U. S. ports on the Great Lakes during a period from March 15 to December 15, 1949, inclusive. Before the measure was approved, the subcommittee heard the testimony of D. L. Coy, Lake Carriers Association, and M. D. Harbaugh, vice president and secretary, Lake Superior Iron Ore Association, both of Cleveland, Ohio. The next meeting will be subject to call of the Chair.

INDIANS—MINING

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Indian Affairs considered, but deferred action, on H. R. 1354, H. R. 2375, and H. R. 2637, bills authorizing per capita payments to California Indians. Representative Engle of California, author of H. R. 1354, spoke on behalf of his bill; and Harry M. Critchfield, Director of Land Management, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Department of the Interior, was in favor of the bills and suggested amendments. Subcommittee will meet again tomorrow morning.

The following bills were ordered reported to the House by the full committee at Wednesday's meeting:

H. R. 942, amend act relating to valuation of mining claims;

H. R. 2853, private bill, regarding issuance of duplicate script certificates by the Secretary of the Interior; and

H. R. 2877, authorizing addition of certain lands to the Big Bend National Park, Tex.

ASIAN IMMIGRATION—PANAMA TOLLS

Committee on Rules: Ordered the following resolutions reported to the House:

H. Res. 121, granting 1 hour's general debate on H. R. 199, making immigration quotas available to Asian and Pacific peoples. Representatives Celler, Gossett, and Judd spoke in favor of the rule.

H. Res. 44, to prescribe tolls to be levied for the use of the Panama Canal. Representatives Bland and Weichel were in favor of this resolution.

Considered, but took no action, on H. R. 2363, interstate fisheries compact; and H. Res. 76, investigating matters pertaining to U. S. merchant marine.

Joint Committee Meetings

AEC CONTRACTS AND INSTALLATIONS

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Committee held open hearings on February 24, with Sumner T. Pike, AEC Commissioner; Wilbur E. Kelley, Manager of New York Operations Office, AEC; Carroll L. Wilson, General Manager, AEC; and Walter J. Williams, Director, Division of Production of AEC, discussing the types, numbers, and values of outstanding contracts of the New York Operations Office, and how they are administered. Details concerning the contracts which the New York Office has with Associated Universities, Inc., for the operation of the Brookhaven National Laboratory of the AEC, were considered. The administration of insurance and welfare funds throughout the various AEC installations was also a subject of discussion.

Following the open hearings, the committee met briefly in executive session on the same subjects.

D. C. TAXES

Joint Meeting: On February 24, subcommittees of the House and Senate District of Columbia Committees met in executive session to consider with Maryland experts the advantage of their experience as to the problems the State of Maryland had encountered under its sales-tax law, in case the committee should draft a sales-tax bill for the District of Columbia. Subcommittees meet again tomorrow.

PRESIDENT'S ECONOMIC REPORT

Joint Committee on the Economic Report: On February 24, the committee considered materials, testimony, and information acquired at its recent hearings with a view to preparing its report to Congress on the President's economic report. Committee meets again Monday, February 28.

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HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed bills on Maritime Commission and atomic energy, and adopted several resolutions.

Senate labor committee reported bills on National Science Foundation and Labor Extension Service.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 1519–1546

Bills Introduced: Fifty-two bills and four resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1044 to S. 1095; S. J. Res. 56; S. Con. Res. 19 and 20; and S. Res. 75. Pages 1530–1531, 1542–1544

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. Res. 71, to grant a gratuity to Myra M. Hardy, widow of Charles Oscar Hardy, late employee of the Senate (S. Rept. 80);

S. 255, to amend section 205 of the Interstate Commerce Act relating to joint boards (S. Rept. 81);

S. 256, an omnibus bill to amend the Interstate Commerce Act (S. Rept. 82);

S. 257, to amend the Interstate Commerce Act so as to set up a statute of limitations on the time within which actions may be brought up for the recovery of overcharges and undercharges by or against motor carriers, freight forwarders, and water carriers, with amendment (S. Rept. 83);

S. 1070, to establish a national housing policy (S. Rept. 84);

S. Res. 32, to authorize an additional $25,000 for the Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs, with amendment (S. Rept. 85);

S. Res. 40, to increase the limit of expenditures by $135,000 for the Judiciary Subcommittee on Immigration, with amendment (S. Rept. 86);

S. Res. 72, to increase up to $8,000 and to continue authority of the Agriculture and Forestry Committee to investigate foot-and-mouth disease problems (no written report); and

S. Res. 74, providing for printing of 1,000 additional copies of hearings held before Committee on Labor and Public Welfare (no written report). Pages 1529–1530, 1538

Hoover Commission: President of Senate was authorized, during any recess of Senate, to refer reports received from Commission on Reorganization of the Executive Branch of the Government. Page 1543

Electric Power: Committee on Agriculture was discharged from further consideration of S. 741, to restrict transfer of generating plants and electric transmission and distribution lines financed by REA loans, and the bill was indefinitely postponed. Page 1543

Routine Resolutions Adopted: Senate adopted the following routine resolutions: S. Res. 71, to grant a gratuity to Myra M. Hardy, widow of Charles Oscar Hardy, late employee of the Senate; S. Res. 72, to increase up to $8,000 and to continue authority of the Agriculture and Forestry Committee to investigate foot-and-mouth disease problems; and S. Res. 74, providing for printing of 1,000 additional copies of hearings held before Committee on Labor and Public Welfare. Page 1530

Maritime Commission: Senate passed, without amendment, H. J. Res. 92, to continue the authority of the Maritime Commission to sell, charter, and operate vessels, thus clearing the bill for the President. Page 1949

Atomic Energy—Los Alamos: It also passed, without amendment, H. R. 54, to retrocede jurisdiction over lands at Los Alamos to the State of New Mexico, thus clearing the bill for the President. S. 152, a similar Senate bill, was indefinitely postponed. Page 1557

Nominations: Received 419 nominations, including 9 civilian, 72 Army, and 338 Air Force. Page 1557

Confirmations: The nominations of David Northon Edelstein, of New York, to be Assistant Attorney General; of Daniel A. Kimball, of California, to be Assistant Secretary of Navy for Air; of Roy M. North to be postmaster of Washington, D. C., along with seven other civilian nominations, and numerous routine military nominations were confirmed. Page 1568

Committee Meetings

DEFICIENCY APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Deficiency Appropriations continued hearings on H. R. 2632, first deficiency appropriation for 1949, and received testimony from the following witnesses: Senators Watkins and McFarland spoke on the education and welfare funds for Navajo Indians. The following witnesses discussed funds for Public Buildings Administration: FWA Administrator Fleming; W. E. Reynolds, Commissioner of Public Buildings; E. R. Purves, American Institute of Architects; Charles Spencer, consultant, New York Central Railroad; and R. E. Dougherty, American Society of Civil Engineers. William Warne, Assistant Secretary of Interior, testified on welfare of Indians; Norman Littell, former Assistant Attorney General, spoke on Navajo Indians; Fred Lawton, Bureau of Budget, and Nils A. Boe, attorney for motor carriers, on Motor Carrier Claims Commission. Raymond T. Jackson, representing National Association of Electric Companies, spoke against funds for New Johnsonville, Tenn., steam plant; and Clyde T. Ellis, National Rural Electric Cooperative Association, filed a statement for such funds. Subcommittee continues tomorrow.

WALLGREN NOMINATION

Committee on Armed Services: Mon C. Wallgren, of Washington, appeared before the committee to testify in behalf of his own nomination, to be Chairman of the National Security Resources Board. Committee meets again next Thursday on the nomination and other pending committee business.

RECIPROCAL TRADE

Committee on Finance: Winthrop G. Brown, Director of the Office of International Trade Policy, State Department, continued his testimony before the committee in its hearings on H. R. 1211, extension of reciprocal trade agreements, discussing the relation of the International Trade Organization and the reciprocal trade agreements program.

ECA

Committee on Foreign Relations: Following an executive session of the committee, the chairman announced that his group had given further consideration to S. 833, to amend the Economic Cooperation Act of 1948, and took up a suggested amendment by Senator Lodge authorizing ECA Administrator to enter into contracts for purchase of strategical and critical materials from participating countries. The amendment was submitted to the ECA for suggestion, and the matter will be considered further by the committee.

It was agreed that the committee would meet again Monday, February 28, to hear Administrator Hoffman and Thomas K. Finletter, Chief of the ECA Mission

to the United Kingdom, discuss a statement by Christopher Mayhew before the Security Council of the UN. The committee feels that this statement on British recovery should be examined carefully.

The nomination of Foster Ethridge to the Conciliation Commission of Palestine was ordered reported favorably.

SCIENCE FOUNDATION—LABOR EXTENSION—SUBCOMMITTEES

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: In executive session, the following two bills were ordered reported without amendment: S. 247, to establish the National Science Foundation; and S. 110, Labor Extension Service Act of 1949.

A subcommittee, consisting of Senators Hill, Withers, and Morse, was appointed to give immediate consideration to H. R. 858 and S. 336, to clarify the overtime compensation provisions of the Fair Labor Standards Act as applied in the longshore, stevedoring, building and construction industries.

It was agreed that a subcommittee be appointed to study all fair labor standards bills now pending before the committee. The membership has not yet been named.

POSTMASTERS—POSTAL RATES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: In executive session, the committee voted to report favorably the nomination of Roy M. North to be postmaster for Washington City Post Office, together with 10 postmaster nominations in Alabama, 2 in Mississippi, 2 in Maryland, 2 in Montana, 6 in North Carolina, and 13 in Texas.

Committee also discussed generally proposed legislation to readjust postal rates.

FEDERAL PUBLIC BUILDINGS

Committee on Public Works: Committee, in executive session, agreed to report favorably, with amendments, S. 714, providing for acquisition of sites and preparation of plans for Federal public buildings outside D. C.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Monday, February 28, at 12 noon.

Committee Meetings

FARM PRICE SUPPORTS

Committee on Agriculture: The special subcommittee handling consideration of agricultural production, price supports, and repeal or revision of the Agricultural Act of 1948, commonly known as the Aiken bill, resumed its hearings on these important agricultural questions. Carroll Hunter, Solicitor, Department of Agriculture, continued with his testimony and answered the subcommittee's questions regarding his outline of the features of the Aiken bill. Also testifying, regarding the act, was Dr. O. S. Stine, Assistant Chief, Prices, Income, and Marketing Division, Bureau of Agricultural Economics. Adjourned until Monday.

RETROACTIVE PAY

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee No. 1 agreed to report favorably to the full committee S. 278, to prevent retroactive checkage of payments erroneously made to certain retired Naval Reserve officers.

DAYLIGHT SAVING

Committee on the District of Columbia: Subcommittee on the Judiciary held hearings on H. R. 1387, authorizing D. C. Commissioners to establish a daylight-saving program each year for the District of Columbia. Testifying in favor of the bill were Commissioner Guy Mason; Corporation Counsel Vernon West; Raymond A. DuFour, chairman, Board of Trade Recreation Committee; Ben Paul Noble, legal counsel, Public Vehicle Owners; W. H. Lowder, Lincoln Park Citizens Association; and Mrs. Harriett French, Federal Recreation Committee. Speaking in opposition to the bill were A. J. Burlaski, vice president, Theater Owners of America; Mrs. Harvey Wiley, Federation of Women's Clubs; and William A. Hand and C. E. Simmons, as interested citizens. H. Herbert Howe opposed the wording of the bill, and E. H. Gammons, vice president of CBS, urged enactment of a national uniform program of standard or daylight time.

ELECTORAL COLLEGE

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 1 concluded public hearings on H. J. Res. 2, proposing constitutional amendment providing for the election of President and Vice President (abolishing the electoral college system), with Norman Thomas testifying on the proposed legislation.

Subcommittee No. 4 concluded hearings on H. R. 2285, relaxation of provisions governing copyright of foreign works. Witnesses testifying were Oscar R. Strackbein, International Allied Printing Trades Council; Arthur E. Farmer, New York City; Thomas E. Bracken, assistant legal adviser, State Department; John Shulman, Authors League of America; and Dr. Sam B. Warner, Register of Copyrights, Library of Congress.

INDIAN BILLS

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Indian Affairs approved the following bills for reporting to the full committee:

H. R. 554, construction of school buildings in Hoopa, Calif.;

H. R. 994, providing for disposition of tribal funds of the Navajo Tribe of Indians;

H. R. 1407 and 1408, relative to lands in trust for the Bad River Band and Lac Courte Areilles Band of Chippewa Indians in Wisconsin;

H. R. 1755, authorizing per capita payments to Red Lake Band of Indians in Minnesota from proceeds of timber sales; and

H. R. 2012, authorizing erection of a museum in Klukwan, Alaska.

Considered, but took no action on, H. R. 1753, authorizing sale of certain Indian lands in Utah; and H. R. 2190, for the relief of distressed Indians in South Dakota.

Dr. Willard W. Beatty, Director of Education, Bureau of Indian Affairs, spoke on behalf of H. R. 554 and 2012, and opposed H. R. 2190. D'Arcy McNickle, assistant to Commissioner, Bureau of Indian Affairs, spoke on behalf of H. R. 994 and 1755. Harry M. Critchfield, Director of Land Management, Bureau of Indian Affairs, spoke in favor of H. R. 1407, 1408, and 1753. The following Members of the House testified in behalf of the respective bills introduced by them: Representative Scudder (H. R. 554); Representative Miles (H. R. 994); Representative O'Konski (H. R. 1407 and 1408); Representative Granger (H. R. 1753); Representative Hagen (H. R. 1755); Delegate Bartlett of Alaska (H. R. 2012); and Representative Lovre (H. R. 2190). Dr. Frank B. Gigliotti spoke on behalf of H. R. 554; and Paul H. Beaulin on behalf of H. R. 1755.

Joint Committee Meetings

D. C. SALES TAX

Joint Meeting: Subcommittees of the House and Senate District of Columbia Committees met in executive session with public-utility experts to study proposed sales-tax legislation for the District of Columbia. It was agreed that the subcommittees would draft a proposed sales-tax bill for the D. C., including a sales tax on public utilities, to be studied further by the subcommittees. The subcommittees are expected to meet again the early part of next week to study the drafted proposal.

Monday, February 28, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate opened debate on amendment to cloture rule.
Hearings on social-security revisions opened by House committee.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 1569–1583

Bills Introduced: Forty-seven bills and four resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1096 to S. 1142; S. J. Res. 57; and S. Res. 76, 77, and 78. Pages 1576–1577, 1581

Bill Reported: Report was made as follows:

S. 714, providing for acquisition of sites and preparation of plans for Federal public buildings outside D. C. with amendments (S. Rept. 87). Page 1576

Bills Rereferred: Senate adopted S. Res. 76, to discharge Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce from further consideration of S. 236, formulation of policy as to transportation costs in interstate commerce, and S. 1008, to provide 2-year moratorium with respect to application of certain antitrust laws to individual, good-faith delivered price systems and freight-absorption practices, and rerefer them to the Committee on the Judiciary. Page 1581

Committee Expenditures: Adopted S. Res. 40, to increase the limit of expenditures by $135,000 for the Judiciary Subcommittee on Immigration, with committee amendment. Pages 1570–1571

Cloture Rule: Senate opened debate on S. Res. 15, to amend the cloture rule. Pages 1583–1601, 1606–1608

Nominations: The nomination of Maj. Gen. Herman Feldman to be the Quartermaster General, together with a nomination for collector of internal revenue for Alabama, were received. The nomination of one postmaster was withdrawn. Page 1609

Committee Meetings

FIRST DEFICIENCY APPROPRIATION

Committee on Appropriations: Deficiency Subcommittee continued its hearings on H. R. 2632, first deficiency appropriation for 1949, receiving testimony from the following: Marion Clawson, Director, Bureau of Land Management, Interior Department, who appeared to discuss a report on underground waters in California in connection with reclamation; Senator Sparkman, and Franklin D. Richards, Commissioner of Federal Housing Administration, accompanied by his assistants, on funds for the Federal Housing Administration; Senators Stennis and Murray, and Dr. S. A. Rohwer, Assistant Chief, Bureau of Entomology and Plant Quarantine of Agriculture Department, together with his assistants, on funds for the Bureau of Entomology and Plant Quarantine; Senators Brewster and Smith of Maine appeared on items in connection with the Passamaquoddy project; and Rowland Jones, Jr., president, American Retail Federation, discussed item on funds for census of business. Hearings continue tomorrow.

On Saturday, February 26, subcommittee received testimony from P. L. Smith and Raymond Spark, representing National Association of Electric Companies, and E. T. Winter, Mississippi Valley Association, all on funds for the TVA; and the following witnesses on funds for reclamation: Senators O'Mahoney and Watkins; Representative White; W. R. Nelson and Alfred R. Golzé, both of Bureau of Reclamation, Interior Department; and E. W. Rising, representing an irrigation district.

RFC NOMINATION

Committee on Banking and Currency: Subcommittee on RFC, in executive session, agreed to report favorably to the full committee the nomination of Walter Lee Dunham, of Michigan, to be a member of the Board of Directors of RFC.

REORGANIZATION

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Committee met in executive session to consider S. 526, Reorganization Act of 1949, but did not reach any vote on disposition thereof or amendments thereto. Senator Johnson of Colorado appeared before the committee to discuss an amendment offered by Senator Maybank and himself to S. 526, relative to exemption of certain agencies. Committee adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

RECIPROCAL TRADE

Committee on Finance: Winthrop G. Brown, Director of the Office of International Trade Policy, State Department, continued his discussion of the relation of the International Trade Organization and the reciprocal-trade-agreements program in connection with hearings on H. R. 1211, extension of reciprocal-trade agreements. He also testified Saturday, February 26. Hearings continue tomorrow.

ECA—BRITISH RECOVERY

Committee on Foreign Relations: The committee interrupted its executive session on S. 833, to amend the Economic Cooperation Act of 1948, to hear in open hearings testimony by ECA Administrator Hoffman and Thomas K. Finletter, Chief of the ECA Mission to the United Kingdom, discussing a statement on British recovery by Christopher Mayhew before the Security Council of the UN. Committee meets again tomorrow in executive session on S. 833.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Fifty-four public bills, H. R. 3019–3072; nine private bills, H. R. 3073–3081; and two resolutions, H. J. Res. 178 and 179, were introduced.

Pages 1623–1625

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

Disposal of certain executive papers (H. Rept. 165); and

H. R. 157, authorizing U. S. Attorney General to recognize heroic actions and award a medal known as the Young American Medal for Bravery (H. Rept. 166).

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New Member Sworn: Member-elect Louis B. Heller, from the seventh congressional district of New York, appeared at the bar of the House and took the oath of office.

Page 1609

Panama Canal Tolls: Adopted H. Res. 44, authorizing the Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries or a subcommittee thereof to make a study and analysis of the tolls charged for the use of the Panama Canal and to recommend any necessary revisions by June 30, 1949.

Pages 1617–1619

Special Orders: Under special orders the House heard Representative Vursell on the administration's labor legislation; Representative Lane on a United States Foreign Service Academy; and Representative Wagner on Cincinnati and the Communists.

Pages 1619–1622

Committee Meetings

RURAL TELEPHONES

Committee on Agriculture: Voted to report favorably to the House H. R. 2960, a bill to amend the Rural Electrification Act, authorizing the REA to make 35-year loans at 2 percent interest, for the expansion, development, and improvement of rural telephone service. This measure, introduced by Representative Poage, also protects existing telephone companies and encourages the development of rural telephones by private industry. An amendment, proposed by Representative Cotton, and accepted by the committee, would bar loans from being made in States which now have or may hereafter have State regulatory bodies having authority to regulate telephone service, and to require certificates of convenience and necessity to the applicants unless such certificates from such agency are first obtained.

RENT CONTROL

Committee on Banking and Currency: Met in executive session on H. R. 1731, rent-control extension bill, taking no action thereon. Adjourned until tomorrow morning.

D. C. RENT CONTROL

Committee on the District of Columbia: The Judiciary Subcommittee held public hearings on the proposed D. C. rent-control extension bill and heard recommendations for further extensions by D. C. Commissioner Guy Mason; Robert F. Cogswell, D. C. Rent Control Administrator; and Corporation Counsel Vernon West. A provision to include controls over converted apartment buildings was also recommended. Representatives of various District organizations, individual tenants, and dwelling-house owners also presented their views; and the hearings were concluded; the group having taken the testimony of about 40 witnesses.

PALESTINE REFUGEES

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Ordered S. J. Res. 36 reported to the House. This resolution would authorize a special contribution by this Government to the UN for the relief of Palestine refugees.

IMMIGRATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 1 ordered reported favorably to the full committee four private immigration bills; one will be reported adversely. Also approved H. R. 2222, providing 2-year moratorium with respect to the application of certain antitrust laws to individual, good-faith delivered price systems, and freight-absorption practices.

NATIONAL LAND BILLS

Committee on Public Lands: Ordered the following bills reported to the House:

H. R. 220, revising Alaskan game laws;

H. R. 1337, relative to sale of lands in Alaska to the Boy Scouts;

H. R. 2373, amending the act establishing Hot Springs National Park; and

H. R. 2812, relative to sale of lands in Alaska to Russian Orthodox Catholic Church.

All of the above bills were reported to the House with amendments.

Previous to this action by the full committee, the Subcommittee on Public Lands in its consideration of H. R. 2373, reported above, heard Representative Norrell testify in favor of it, and Ronald F. Lee, Chief Historian of the National Park Service, who submitted a suggested amendment. Delegate Bartlett testified in favor of H. R. 2812, reported above. The subcommittee considered, but took no action, on H. R. 55, to include certain lands in the Carson National Forest, N. Mex.; and H. R. 1254, authorizing acquisition of lands for the Everglade National Park, Fla. Action was deferred on H. R. 55 at the request of its author, Representative Fernandez. Witnesses heard on H. R. 1254, all speaking on the retention of mineral rights, were Ivar Axelson, Mrs. Elizabeth Annat, A. Klipstein, and D. A. McDougal, landowners.

FEDERAL BUILDINGS

Committee on Public Works: Opened hearings to consider several bills for planning, for site acquisition, and for the design of Federal building projects, including post offices outside of the District of Columbia. Testifying on the subject were Federal Works Administrator, Maj. Gen. Philip B. Fleming, and W. E. Reynolds, Commissioner of Public Buildings, FWA. Mr. Reynolds will continue his testimony at tomorrow's hearings.

SOCIAL SECURITY

Committee on Ways and Means: Opened public hearings on social-security-revision legislation. Arthur J. Altmeyer, Commissioner of the Social Security Administration, was the first witness and outlined recommendations aimed at improving provisions of the Social Security Act for public assistance and welfare services. The program he presented would call for direct relief of all needy and destitute people; blanketing of 20,000,000 more persons, including farmers, professional men, and others; increasing present benefits; and increasing the security tax on pay checks and pay rolls. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

Joint Committee Meetings

PRESIDENT'S ECONOMIC REPORT

Joint Committee on the Economic Report: Committee continued its consideration of materials, testimony, and information acquired at its recent hearings with a view to preparing its report to Congress on the President's economic report. Committee continues tomorrow.

COTTON ACREAGE

Conferees met on H. R. 128, excluding cotton planted in 1949 from use in computing cotton-acreage allotments for any subsequent year, and agreed to make a report (on the two passed versions) in the form as passed by the House, with an amendment to strike out the proviso relating to the 1942 acreage. The report will be submitted to both Houses provided a subcommittee appointed to draft an explanatory statement can reach agreement on this proposed additional report.

Tuesday, March 1, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate continued debate on amendment to cloture rule.
House passed immigration bill and 73 private calendar bills.
Oleo tax-repeal hearings opened by House committee.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 1625–1632

Bills Introduced: Eight bills introduced, as follows: S. 1143 to S. 1150. Page 1631

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

Report of the joint committee on the President's Economic Report (S. Rept. 88); and

H. R. 2101, to authorize Regional Agricultural Credit Corporation to make emergency loans to farmers, with amendments (S. Rept. 89). Pages 1630–1631

Cloture Rule: Senate continued debate on S. Res. 15, to amend the cloture rule. Pages 1632–1656

Nominations: A total of 83 nominations were received, including 5 civilian, 17 Army, and 61 Navy. Pages 1660–1661

Confirmations: Senate confirmed 88 civilian nominations, including that of Ernest A. Gross, of New York, to be Assistant Secretary of State, along with a number of ambassadorships. Page 1661

Committee Meetings

DISASTER LOANS

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: In executive session, by unanimous consent the committee voted to report H. R. 2101, to authorize Regional Agricultural Credit Corporation to make emergency loans to farmers, after substituting therefor with amendment the language of S. 913, to abolish the Regional Agricultural Credit Corporation and authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to make production disaster loans. Before substituting the language of S. 913, it was amended by striking out any reference to loans in an economic emergency.

FIRST DEFICIENCY APPROPRIATION

Committee on Appropriations: Deficiency Subcommittee continued hearings on H. R. 2632, first deficiency appropriation for 1949, receiving testimony from George H. Field and assistants, all of the Bureau of Community Facilities of the FWA, on funds for the Bureau; Jess Larson and assistants, all of the WAA, on funds for the WAA; and Ugo Carusi and assistants, all of the Displaced Persons Commission, on funds for the Commission. Hearings continue tomorrow.

RECIPROCAL TRADE

Committee on Finance: Winthrop G. Brown, Director of the Office of International Trade Policy, State Department, continued his discussion of the relation of the International Trade Organization and the reciprocal-trade-agreements program in connection with hearings on H. R. 1211, extension of reciprocal-trade agreements. Hearings continue tomorrow.

ECA

Committee on Foreign Relations: In executive session, the committee continued its work on S. 833, to amend the Economic Cooperation Act of 1948, approving the first two pages of the bill, with the following exceptions: It voted to amend the section on the deputy U. S. special representative to provide for Senate confirmation of that nomination and to allow him a salary of $17,500 per year; it voted to strike out section 4 of the bill, proposing to leave the loyalty provision of the original law intact. Committee continues tomorrow.

POSTMASTERS

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: In executive session, the committee voted to report 39 postmaster nominations, distributed among 10 States and the Territory of Alaska, including postmaster at Houston, Tex.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Forty-four public bills, H. R. 3082–3125; seventeen private bills, H. R. 3126–3142; and five resolutions, H. J. Res. 180–182, and H. Res. 122 and 123, were introduced. Pages 1694–1696

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. R. 3082, D. C. appropriation bill for the fiscal year 1950 (H. Rept. 167);

H. R. 3083, Treasury and Post Office Department appropriation bill, 1950 (H. Rept. 168);

President's Economic Report of January 1949 (H. Rept. 169);

H. R. 220, to revise the Alaska game law (H. Rept. 170);

H. R. 1337, to authorize sale of certain public lands in Alaska to Boy Scouts of America for recreation purposes (H. Rept. 171);

S. 29, to authorize payment of claims based on loss of or damage to property deposited by alien enemies (H. Rept. 172);

H. R. 1950, for the relief of certain consultants employed by the Foreign Economic Administration (H. Rept. 173);

S. J. Res. 36, relief for Arab and Jewish refugees of Palestine (H. Rept. 174); and

Seventeen private bills, H. R. 585, 650, 681, 709, 738, 1116, 1121, 1276, 2249, 2353, 2922, 2853, 580, and S. 634, 633, 594, and 592 (H. Repts. 175–191, respectively). Pages 1693–1694

Bill Rereferred: The Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from consideration of H. R. 579, to permit motor vessel *FLB–5005* to engage in the fisheries, and the bill was referred to the Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries. Page 1662

Private Calendar: Passed the following bills on the call of the Private Calendar:

Cleared for the President: S. 307, in lieu of H. R. 773, and S. 279.

Sent to the Senate without amendment: H. R. 555, 574, 576, 577, 578, 581, 591, 595, 596, 618, 652, 669, 684, 697, 711, 739, 745, 1052, 1061, 1076, 1094, 1095, 1103, 1164, 1169, 1279, 1286, 1299, 1459, 1471, 1490, 1508, 1599, 1602, 1629, 1870, 1983, 2089, 2261, 2352, 2605, and 2708.

Sent to the Senate, amended: H. R. 572, 575, 592, 659, 729, 767, 1035, 1036, 1041, 1043, 1057, 1066, 1079, 1093, 1098, 1176, 1271, 1280, 1300, 1452, 1460, 1489, 1501, 1597, 1813, 1878, 2268, and 2474.

Passed over without prejudice: S. 632, and H. R. 583, 594, 609, 610, 611, 637, 668, 683, 1137, 1461, 1700, 1794, 1993, 2463, and 2704. Pages 1664–1675

Immigration: Passed, with a committee amendment, H. R. 199, to provide immigration quotas to Asian and Pacific peoples, after defeating by 336 nays to 39 yeas a move to recommit the bill and report it back forthwith with an amendment exempting the West Indian Archipelago from the 100-entrants limitation upon colonies. This measure extends to certain Asian and Pacific peoples the same naturalization and immigration privileges as Congress has already applied to the Chinese, the peoples of India, and the Philippines. It also makes eligible for naturalization those legally permanent residents of the United States who have hitherto been ineligible because of race. H. Res. 121, making in order the consideration of H. R. 199, was previously adopted. Pages 1675–1692

Order of Business: On motion of Mr. Priest, by unanimous consent, the House agreed to dispense with Calendar Wednesday business of Wednesday, March 2. Page 1693

San Francisco: Passed, and cleared for the President, S. 198, for the relief of the city and county of San Francisco. Page 1693

Committee Meetings

OLEOMARGARINE

Committee on Agriculture: Opened hearings on the subject of oleomargarine tax repeal. Representative Poage, author of H. R. 3, a bill which would repeal oleo tax and amend the act requiring positive identification of yellow margarine, spoke on behalf of his bill and called attention to the fact that pro-butter groups are supporting a bill in Congress which would result in the repeal of taxes and license fees with respect to margarine, but which would, in turn, directly prohibit the manufacture and sale of yellow margarine in the channels of interstate commerce. He stated that the sale of yellow margarine would not hurt the dairy farmers; that by making the use of table spreads available to people who cannot now afford butter the number of consumers of spreads will be increased, with benefit to all. He pointed out that foods by the score are artificially colored to meet consumer tastes.

The following Members of the House spoke in favor of their bills which would repeal the margarine tax: Representatives Abernethy, Corbett, and Battle. Another witness, Harold O. Smith, Jr., executive vice president, U. S. Wholesale Grocers' Association, Inc., testified in favor of margarine tax repeal. In concluding his statement he said that his association certainly has "no prejudice against butter or any other wholesome nutritious food product. We gladly sell any product wanted by our retail outlets and by the consumers. * * * Let every food item find its place in trade and consumer acceptance on its own merits. Do not tip the competitive scale by discriminatory taxation and burdensome regulations." Hearings will continue tomorrow.

RENT CONTROL

Committee on Banking and Currency: Continued executive consideration of H. R. 1731, rent-control extension bill. Postponed further action until tomorrow morning's meeting.

TAFT-HARTLEY REPEAL

Committee on Education and Labor: Defeated H. R. 237, a bill, introduced by Representative Kelley, to repeal the Taft-Hartley Act, which had been previously ordered reported to the full committee. The vote to set this bill aside was 16 to 9. It was later announced that the committee would start open hearings Monday, March 7, on H. R. 2032, to repeal the Taft-Hartley Act.

This bill calls for the repeal of the Labor-Management Relations Act of 1947 and the reenactment of the National Labor Relations Act of 1935. It was introduced by Representative Lesinski, chairman of the committee.

STAFF CONSULTANTS

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Announced the appointment of Ira E. Bennett and J. Franklin Ray, Jr., as staff consultants to the committee.

STRATEGIC MINERALS—FREIGHT PRICE SYSTEMS

Committee on the Judiciary: Ordered the following bills reported favorably to the House:

H. R. 834, to amend the Contract Settlement Act of 1944, so as to authorize the payment of fair compensation to persons contracting to deliver certain strategic or critical minerals or metals in cases of failure to recover reasonable costs; and

H. R. 2222, to provide a 2-year moratorium with respect to the application of certain antitrust laws to individual, good-faith delivered price systems, and freight-absorption practices. The bill was amended to provide a moratorium until July 1, 1950, and also provides that the provisions should not apply to any proceeding pending in Federal courts on March 1, 1949.

Four private immigration House bills and five private immigration Senate bills were also ordered reported favorably, and one private immigration House bill was tabled.

RELIEF CARGOES—COAST GUARD

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Ordered the following bills reported to the House:

H. R. 1340, providing for U. S.-flag shipping participation in Government-financed cargoes;

H. R. 1823, to establish a Women's Reserve as a branch of the Coast Guard Reserve; and

H. R. 1824, to permit certain civilian employees, who were transferred to the Coast Guard in a military status under the act of July 23, 1947, to credit service as a civilian employee in computing military pay.

All of the above bills were reported with amendments.

PAY INCREASES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: The Murray subcommittee considered H. R. 1689, providing for pay increases for Government department heads and D. C. classified workers, but took no action on the bill. Adjourned until March 25 to continue on the same subject.

RECLAMATION—VIRGIN ISLANDS

Committee on Public Lands: The Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation held hearings on H. R. 165 and 310, to authorize the American River Basin development in California for irrigation and reclamation purposes. The following witnesses were heard: Michael Straus, of the Bureau of Reclamation, who made a statement of approval; S. A. Kerr, planning engineer, Bureau of Reclamation, with headquarters in Sacramento, who outlined the American River development and Folsom Dam; Ben Creim, in charge of power division, Sacramento, Calif.; Mr. Davidson, planning office at Sacramento; Francis Lindsay, assemblyman in California State Assembly from Placer County, Calif., who spoke for the bills and presented statement; Mr. Paolini, supervisor, Placer County, Calif., who also spoke for the bills; and William Bethel, chairman, Placer County, Calif., Water Users' Association, who presented a statement for record and spoke in favor of the bills. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

The Subcommittee on Territorial and Insular Possessions heard William H. Hastie, Governor of the Virgin Islands, who testified on behalf of H. R. 2989, to incorporate the Virgin Islands Corporation, and H. R. 2988, to provide for Resident Commissioner from the Virgin Islands.

FEDERAL BUILDINGS

Committee on Public Works: W. E. Reynolds, Commissioner of Public Buildings, FWA, continued his testimony at the hearings on several bills before the committee regarding planning, site acquisition, and for the design of Federal building projects, including post offices outside of the District of Columbia. He will conclude his testimony at tomorrow's hearings.

SOCIAL SECURITY REVISIONS

Committee on Ways and Means: Continued hearings on H. R. 2892, amending the Social Security Act relative to public assistance and welfare services. Arthur J. Altmeyer, Commissioner of the Social Security Administration, testified for the second day and answered questions concerning his presentation of the program calling for direct relief by the Administration of all needy and destitute people blanketing more people under the act including farmers, professional men, and others; increasing the present benefits; and increasing the security tax on pay checks and pay rolls. He will continue with his testimony at tomorrow morning's meeting.

Joint Committee Meetings

PRESIDENT'S ECONOMIC REPORT

Joint Committee on the Economic Report: In executive session, by a vote of 7 to 4, the committee agreed to make its report to both Houses on the President's Economic Report of January 1949. The report was filed in both Houses.

D. C. SALES TAX

Joint Meeting: Subcommittees of the House and Senate District of Columbia Committees continued, in executive session, working on a proposed sales tax bill for the District of Columbia. Subcommittees continue tomorrow.

Résumé of Congressional Activity

FIRST SESSION OF EIGHTY-FIRST CONGRESS

The first table gives a comprehensive résumé of all legislative business transacted by the House and Senate during the session, January 3, 1949, through February 28, 1949.

The second table accounts for all nominations submitted to the Senate by the President for Senate confirmation.

DATA ON LEGISLATIVE ACTIVITY

January 3 through February 28, 1949

	Senate	*House*	*Total*
Days in session	21	27	..
Time in session	70 hrs., 29′	85 hrs., 49′	..
Congressional Record:			
Pages of proceedings	883	777	1,660
Appendix	..	..	1,175
Public bills enacted into law	6	6	12
Private bills enacted into law	..	..	..
Bills in conference	..	..	1
Bills through conference	..	..	..
Measures passed, total	88	75	..
Senate bills	40	5	..
House bills	4	16	..
Senate joint resolutions	6	1	..
House joint resolutions	5	6	..
Senate concurrent resolutions	1	..	..
House concurrent resolutions	3	4	..
Simple resolutions	29	43	72
Measures reported, total	*110	*166	..
Senate bills	56	5	..
House bills	4	126	..
Senate joint resolutions	7	..	..
House joint resolutions	6	7	..
Senate concurrent resolutions	2	..	..
House concurrent resolutions	3	2	..
Simple resolutions	32	23	55
Special reports	10	3	..
Conference reports	..	..	..
Reported measures not acted on	**16	**114	..
Measures introduced, total	1,297	3,422	4,719
Bills	1,142	3,081	4,223
Joint resolutions	57	179	236
Concurrent resolutions	20	42	62
Simple resolutions	78	120	198
Quorum calls	25	8	33
Yea-and-nay votes	9	13	22

*These figures on measures reported include all placed on calendar or acted on by Senate even if there was no accompanying report. A total of 87 reports has been filed in the Senate; a total of 166 has been filed in the House.

**This figure does not agree with the total difference between bills reported and bills passed, because resolutions and bills placed on the House Calendar without having been formally reported were not included in figures of measures reported to the House; the difference in the case of Senate figures is due to uncounted bills "laid on the table" or "indefinitely postponed."

DISPOSITION OF EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS RECEIVED FROM JANUARY 3–FEBRUARY 28, 1949

Postmaster nominations, totaling 731, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	1
Withdrawn	1
Rejected	None
Unconfirmed	729
Army nominations, totaling 12,649, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	12,529
Withdrawn	None
Rejected	None
Unconfirmed	120
Air Force nominations, totaling 11,752, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	11,394
Withdrawn	None
Rejected	None
Unconfirmed	358
Navy nominations, totaling 3,485, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	3,485
Withdrawn	None
Rejected	None
Unconfirmed	None
Marine Corps nominations, totaling 893, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	893
Withdrawn	None
Rejected	None
Unconfirmed	None
Civilian nominations other than postmasters, totaling 1,029, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	871
Withdrawn	4
Rejected	None
Unconfirmed	154

Summary

Total nominations received	30,539
Total rejected	None
Total withdrawn	5
Total unconfirmed	1,361
Total confirmed	29,173

Wednesday, March 2, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate continued debate on amendment to cloture rule.
House passed D. C. appropriation bill.
Gulf States fisheries compact bill cleared for House action by Rules Committee.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 1696–1704

Bills Introduced: Fifteen bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1151 to S. 1165; S. J. Res. 58; and S. Res. 79. Pages 1700–1702

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows: S. J. Res. 56, extending an invitation to the International Olympic Committee to hold the 1956 Olympic games at Detroit (no written report). Page 1700

Bills Referred: Seventy-one House-passed bills were referred to appropriate committees. Pages 1702–1703

Bills Rereferred: Committee on Finance was discharged from further consideration of S. 974, to amend Veterans Preference Act of 1944, and the bill was rereferred to the Committee on Post Office and Civil Service. Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of S. 571, to prohibit interstate common-carrier pipe lines from transporting commodities in which such carriers have any interest, S. 572, to divorce the business of producing, refining, and transporting of petroleum products from that of marketing petroleum products, and S. 573, to prohibit producers, refiners, and marketers of petroleum products from operating tankers and barges, and the bills were rereferred to Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce. Page 1702

Olympic Games: Senate passed S. J. Res. 56, extending an invitation to the International Olympic Committee to hold the 1956 Olympic games at Detroit. Page 1700

Cloture Rule: Senate continued debate on S. Res. 15, to amend the cloture rule. Pages 1704–1705, 1717–1732

Nominations: Five civilian nominations were received. Page 1732

Confirmations: The nominations of 33 postmasters were confirmed. Pages 1732–1733

Committee Meetings

FIRST DEFICIENCY APPROPRIATION

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Deficiency Appropriations continued hearings on H. R. 2632, first deficiency appropriation for 1949, receiving testimony from Thomas C. Blaisdell and assistants, all of the Bureau of Foreign and Domestic Commerce, Commerce Department, on funds for export control; Rear Adm. Leo O. Colbert and John M. Amstadt, both of the Coast and Geodetic Survey, on salaries and expenses for that Bureau; J. C. Capt, Director, and assistants, all of the Bureau of the Census, on funds for census of business; Preston D. Bergin, American Retail Federation, on funds for census of business; and the following witnesses on funds for War Claims Commission and war claims: Senators Chavez and Kilgore; Frederick Lawton, Bureau of the Budget; Frank E. Wilson, Americans in China; J. C. Ruddy, Senate Judiciary Committee; Harry V. Hayden, Jr., American Legion; Charles E. Foster, DAV; Robert E. McLaughlin, AMVETS; and John C. Williamson, VFW. Hearings continue tomorrow.

RECIPROCAL TRADE

Committee on Finance: Winthrop G. Brown, Director of the Office of International Trade Policy, State Department, continued his discussion of the relation of the International Trade Organization and the reciprocal-trade-agreements program in connection with hearings on H. R. 1211, extension of reciprocal-trade agreements. Hearings continue tomorrow.

ECA, OLYMPIC GAMES, AND NOMINATIONS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee, in executive session, continued its consideration of S. 833, to amend the Economic Cooperation Act of 1948, and voted to amend section 6 of the bill to change to 15 percent the provision of the law to the effect that no less than 25 percent of the aggregate of the unprocessed wheat and wheat in the form of flour be retained in the U. S. Section 8, relative to the $3 billion trust-fund transfer, was stricken out of the bill, leaving the existing law intact.

Committee voted to report S. J. Res. 56, extending an invitation to the International Olympic Committee to hold the 1956 Olympic games at Detroit; it was later passed by the Senate.

It also approved favorably the following nominations: Edward F. Bartelt, Illinois, to be U. S. member of Fiscal Commission of the Economic and Social Council of the UN; Edwin D. Canham, Massachusetts, to be alternate representative of the U. S. to the second part of the third session of the UN General Assembly; W. Averell Harriman, to serve concurrently as U. S. representative on the Economic Commission for Europe of the Economic and Social Council of the UN; Dr. H. van Zile Hyde, New York, to be U. S. representative on the executive board of the World Health Organization; H. Merle Cochran, Arizona, to be U. S. representative on the Good Offices Committee of the Security Council of the UN on Indonesia; and Mark Starr, New York, Harold W. Dodds, New Jersey, Edwin B. Fred, Wisconsin, and B. Harvie Branscomb, Tennessee, to be members of the U. S. Advisory Commission on Educational Exchange.

OVERTIME COMPENSATION

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee opened hearings on H. R. 858 and S. 336, to clarify the overtime compensation provisions of the Fair Labor Standards Act as applied in the longshore, stevedoring, building, and construction industries, with the following witnesses testifying generally in support of such proposed legislation: Joseph P. Ryan, president, and Louis Waldman, general counsel, International Longshoremen's Association, AFL; Walker Cisler, Detroit Edison Co.; Phineas B. Blanchard, president, Turner & Blanchard, Inc., New York; H. D. Stevenson, National Association of Stevedores; Walter E. Maloney, National Federation of American Shipping, Inc.; W. B. Garner, Waterman Steamship Co.; F. E. Verdin, Cleveland Electric Illuminating Co.; and C. B. Boulet, Wisconsin Public Service Corp. Hearings continue tomorrow.

PAY INCREASE—TOP GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Subcommittee met in executive session to consider S. 948, to increase pay of heads and assistant heads of executive departments and independent agencies, but made no announcement of any action taken.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Twenty-two public bills, H. R. 3143–3164; nine private bills, H. R. 3165–3173; and three resolutions, H. J. Res. 183, and H. Res. 124 and 125, were introduced. Pages 1759–1760

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

Five private bills, S. 26, 27, 90, 315, and 335 (H. Repts. 192–196, respectively);

H. R. 554, to provide for construction, extension, and improvement of school buildings in Hoopa, Calif. (H. Rept. 197);

H. R. 994, to provide for disposition and use of tribal funds of the Navajo Tribe of Indians (H. Rept. 198);

H. R. 1755, to authorize a $100 per capita payment to Red Lake Band of Chippewa Indians from proceeds of timber sale (H. Rept. 199);

H. Res. 124, providing for consideration of, and 1 hour of general debate on, H. R. 2363, granting congressional approval to an interstate compact relating to the better utilization of the fisheries of the Gulf coast and creating the Gulf States Marine Fisheries Commission (H. Rept. 200);

H. Res. 107, to authorize Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce to make investigations into any matter within its jurisdiction (H. Rept. 201); and

H. R. 834, to amend Contract Settlement Act of 1944 to provide fair compensation to persons contracting to deliver strategic minerals or metals in case of failure to recover reasonable costs (H. Rept. 202). Pages 1759–1760

D. C. Appropriations: Passed, by voice vote, after defeating a motion to recommit the bill, H. R. 3082, District of Columbia appropriation bill for 1950. Rejected two amendments, one to remove the ban on free instruction to pupils residing outside the District of Columbia and an amendment to bar use of any funds by agencies and departments that segregate citizens of the District of Columbia. As passed, this bill supplies $98,923,621 for the essential functions of the D. C. government, which amount is $4,397,806 below the budget estimate for 1950. Pages 1734–1746

Committee Meetings

OLEOMARGARINE

Committee on Agriculture: Continued hearings on H. R. 3 and similar bills which would repeal the tax on oleomargarine and permit the coloring of margarine yellow. The following witnesses testified in favor of this bill: Ward Calland, managing director, National Soybean Crop Improvement Council; John W. Evans, vice president, American Soybean Association; C. M. Gregory, manager, Farmers Cooperative Co.; Lewis G. Hines, national legislative representative, AFL; Mrs. Margaret Manger, American Home Economics Association; Mrs. Robert Lamkin, American Association of University Women; Mrs. Harvey W. Wiley, D. C. Federation of Women's Clubs; Miss Nancy Holland, Settlement Houses of District of Columbia; and Robert C. Jackson, National Cotton Council of America. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

RENT CONTROL

Committee on Banking and Currency: Held further executive discussions on H. R. 1731, rent-control extension bill, and will meet on same subject tomorrow morning.

ECONOMIC COOPERATION ACT

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Resumed executive consideration of H. R. 2362, to amend the Economic Cooperation Act of 1948. Will meet again tomorrow to hear further witnesses on this legislation.

COURT OF CLAIMS—DESERTION—FCC ORDERS—ADMIRALTY—DP's

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 2 heard the following witnesses in support of H. R. 2162, relating to the Court of Claims, etc.: Chief Justice Marvin Jones and Judge Samuel E. Whitaker of the Court of Claims; Richard S. Doyle, Washington, D. C., representing the American Bar Association's committee on the Court of Claims. Representatives Ford, of Michigan, and Jacobs, of Indiana, were heard in support of H. R. 1538, to prohibit utilization of the facilities of interstate or foreign commerce in connection with desertion or abandonment of minor children. Also heard the following witnesses in connection with H. R. 483, to extend the time within which certain suits in admiralty may be brought against the United States: Irwin Asofsky, New York City, representing the National Maritime Union, and Abraham M. Fisch, New York City, representing the International Longshoremen's Association, AFL.

Subcommittee No. 2 ordered reported favorably to the full committee H. R. 2915, providing for the review of orders of the Federal Communications Commission and certain orders of the Secretary of Agriculture made under the Packers and Stockyards Act and the Perishable Agricultural Commodities Act.

Subcommittee No. 3 agreed to report favorably 12 private claims bills; one will be reported adversely.

Subcommittee No. 1 heard Chairman Celler of the Judiciary Committee and Ugo Carusi, Chairman of the Displaced Persons Commission, on displaced persons bills (H. R. 1344, etc.). Hearings will continue Friday, March 4.

FLOATING DRYDOCKS—IRON ORE

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Opened hearings on the subject of the installation of Navy surplus floating drydocks at Maritime Commission reserve fleet sites. Heard the testimony of the following witnesses: Senator Broughton and Representative Carlyle, both of North Carolina; Representative Rooney, of New York; and E. L. White, mayor; R. B. Page, chairman, State ports authority; C. D. Hogue, chairman, Wilmington Port Commission; and J. E. L. Wade, city councilman, all of Wilmington, N. C. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

Subcommittee on Maritime Affairs held executive session on H. J. Res. 143, to authorize vessels of Canadian registry to transport iron ore between U. S. ports on the Great Lakes during the period from March 15 to December 15, 1949, inclusive, and heard Hoyt S. Haddock of the CIO maritime committee.

RECLAMATION—SCHOOLS—INDIANS

Committee on Public Lands: Ordered the following bills reported favorably to the House:

H. R. 165, to authorize the American River Basin development in California for irrigation and reclamation purposes;

H. R. 554, authorizing appropriations for school buildings in Hoopa, Calif.;

H. R. 994, making available tribal funds of the Navajo Indians for use by the tribal council; and

H. R. 1755, to authorize a $100 per capita payment to Red Lake Band of Chippewa Indians from proceeds of timber sale.

The committee also considered H. R. 1356, creating a commission on Federal reimbursement to States and local governments in lieu of taxes on federally owned real property. The following witnesses testified: Joseph F. Hammond, Jacksonville, Fla., representing National Association of Public Officials; Henry Bartell, member, Board of Supervisors, Alameda County, Calif.; Keith L. Seigmiller, Washington representative, and Andy L. Matson, member of board, both of the National Association of County Officials; Francis B. Keisling, San Francisco, Calif., representing American Municipal Association; William H. Emerson, corporation counsel, Rochester, N. Y., and trustee of the National Institute of Municipal Law Officers; C. Emory Glander, president, National Association of Tax Administrators; and W. H. Jensen, county commissioner from State of Idaho.

Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation, before giving final approval to H. R. 165, American River Development bill, heard testimony in favor of the project from the following: Representative Miller of California; Michael Straus of the Bureau of Reclamation; and Ben W. Creim, regional power manager, and J. G. Will, chief counsel, also of the Bureau of Reclamation. In an afternoon session this same group heard Harry Polk, president, National Reclamation Association, speak on behalf of H. R. 1762, 1770, and 2000, all amending the Reclamation Project Act of 1939, relating to revising provisions regarding repayment contracts, short-term contracts to furnish water for irrigation, etc. Hearings continue tomorrow.

FEDERAL BUILDINGS

Committee on Public Works: At the hearings on H. R. 3019, regarding planning, site acquisition, and for the design of Federal building projects, including post offices outside the District of Columbia, W. E. Reynolds, Commissioner of Public Buildings, FWA, concluded his third day of testimony on the proposed legislation. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

FISHERIES COMPACT—VETERANS' PENSIONS

Committee on Rules: Ordered the following resolutions reported to the House:

H. Res. 107, to authorize Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce to make investigations into any matter within its jurisdiction; and

H. Res. 124, rule for consideration of H. R. 2363, Gulf States fisheries compact bill.

Representatives Crosser and Wolverton spoke on behalf of the first-mentioned resolution and Representatives Dawson and Holifield spoke in favor of granting the rule for the Gulf States fisheries compact bill.

The committee also considered the granting of a rule for floor action on H. R. 2681, veterans' pension bill. Representatives Rankin and Magee both favored a closed rule on the legislation. Representatives Wheeler and Van Zandt were both in favor of the rule being granted, the latter requesting an open rule. Representative Davis of Wisconsin opposed a rule and expressed opposition to the pension bill. Hearings will continue on this subject tomorrow.

SOCIAL-SECURITY REVISIONS

Committee on Ways and Means: Arthur J. Altmeyer, Commissioner of the Social Security Administration, concluded his presentation of a program of social-security revisions calling for direct relief of needy and destitute people and increasing present benefits. Also testifying at the hearings held on H. R. 2892, amending the Social Security Act relative to public assistance and welfare services were Patrick Tompkins, commissioner, Massachusetts State Board of Public Welfare, and Robert P. Wray, deputy secretary, Pennsylvania Department of Public Assistance. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

Joint Committee Meetings

D. C. SALES TAX

Joint Meeting: Subcommittees of House and Senate District of Columbia Committees continued in executive session working on a proposed sales-tax bill for the District of Columbia. The principles of such a bill were agreed upon and the Corporation Counsel of D. C. was authorized to redraft the bill, on which the subcommittees will meet at a later date.

Thursday, March 3, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate continued debate on amendment to cloture rule.

House passed Treasury-Post Office appropriation bill.

Bill providing for settlement of war-destroyed personal property claims reported by House committee.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 1761–1770

Bills Introduced: Seven bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 1166 to S. 1172; and S. J. Res. 59. Pages 1767–1768

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 247, to establish the National Science Foundation (S. Rept. 90); and

H. R. 2313, to suspend certain import taxes on copper, with amendment (S. Rept. 91). Page 1767

Bill Referred: One House-passed bill was referred to appropriate committee. Page 1769

Bill Rereferred: Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of S. 692, providing for a grant to the Prisoners Relief Society for use in the rehabilitation of chronic alcoholics, and it was then rereferred to the Committee on Labor and Public Welfare. Page 1769

Treaty: Received copy of treaty signed by U. S. at Paris November 1948 bringing under international control drugs outside scope of treaty signed at Geneva July 13, 1931 (Executive H), referred to Committee on Foreign Relations. Pages 1769–1770

Cloture Rule: Senate continued debate on S. Res. 15, to amend the cloture rule. Pages 1784–1819

Confirmations: Twelve nominations to the UN and Foreign Service were confirmed. Page 1820

Committee Meetings

FIRST DEFICIENCY APPROPRIATION

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Deficiency Appropriations continued its hearings on H. R. 2632, first deficiency appropriations for 1949, receiving further testimony from Senator Downey, who directed his testimony against the provision of the House-passed bill which would repeal the following section of the law: "That after January 31, 1949, no part of any appropriation for the Bureau of Reclamation contained in this Act shall be used for the salaries and expenses of a person in any of the following positions in the Bureau of Reclamation, or of any person who performs the duties of any such position, who is not a qualified engineer with at least five years' engineering and administrative experience: (1) Commissioner of Reclamation; (2) Assistant Commissioner of Reclamation; and (3) Regional Director of Reclamation."

Hearings continue tomorrow.

NOMINATIONS, UMT, AND ARMED SERVICES

Committee on Armed Services: The committee, in executive session, considered the nomination of Mon C. Wallgren, to be Chairman of the National Security Resources Board, but took no action, putting further consideration of it over until next Tuesday.

A total of 67 nominations in the rank of major or below in the Army and Air Force were ordered reported favorably.

Gen. John Thomas Taylor, Paul Cocke, and Granville S. Ridley, all representing the American Legion, presented statements in support of universal military training.

The committee considered S. 886, authorizing Secretary of the Army to convey a portion of the Charleston Army Base Terminal to the city of Charleston, but took no final action on the bill.

The following two bills were ordered reported: S. 213, to provide benefits for members of Reserve components of the armed forces who suffer disability or death from injuries incurred while engaged in active-duty training for periods less than 30 days or while engaged in inactive-duty training, with amendment; and S. 779, relating to pay and allowances of Navy officers appointed to permanent grades. Consideration was also given to S. 959, authorizing certain persons to accept decorations from the United Kingdom for services rendered in World War II, but no final action was taken on the bill.

RENT CONTROL

Committee on Banking and Currency: Subcommittee on Housing and Rents opened hearings on extension of rent controls with Tighe E. Woods, Housing Expediter, testifying in support of S. 600, extending certain provisions of the Housing and Rent Act of 1947. Hearings continue tomorrow.

D. C. HOME RULE

Committee on the District of Columbia: Subcommittee on Home Rule, in executive session, agreed that some kind of home rule is needed for the District of Columbia. It was agreed that two bills be drafted, one proposing complete reorganization, and the other as simple a home-rule bill as possible, with a view to getting the most home rule for the District that Congress will enact.

COPPER, NOMINATIONS, AND RECIPROCAL TRADE

Committee on Finance: In executive session, the committee voted to report with amendment H. R. 2313, to suspend certain import taxes on copper. The amendment would exclude the tax suspension on brass and bronze ingots.

Three nominations were approved: Harris Walthall, to be collector of customs at El Paso; James S. Lamb, to be collector of internal revenue in North Dakota; and William E. Davis, to be collector in the district of Alabama.

Committee then continued its hearings on H. R. 1211, extension of reciprocal-trade agreements, with Winthrop G. Brown, Director of the Office of International Trade Policy, State Department, continuing his discussion of the relation of the International Trade Organization and the reciprocal-trade-agreements program. Hearings continue tomorrow.

ECA

Committee on Foreign Relations: In executive session, the committee continued its work on S. 833, to amend the Economic Cooperation Act of 1948, and agreed to approve the guaranty section of the introduced bill (from line 5, page 3, through line 15, page 4). The Lodge amendment, dealing with strategic materials, was also discussed, but a vote on disposition was not reached.

Committee continues tomorrow.

OVERTIME COMPENSATION

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee continued hearings on H. R. 858 and S. 336, to clarify the overtime compensation provisions of the Fair Labor Standards Act as applied in the longshore, stevedoring, building, and construction industries, receiving testimony from the following witnesses in support of the general objectives of the proposed legislation: L. Blaine Liljenquist, Western States Meat Packers Association; M. M. Smith, Ship Scaling Contractors Association of the Pacific Coast; William Radner, Waterfront Employers Association of the Pacific Coast; George M. Fuller, National Lumber Manufacturers Association; Richard Ernst, California State Brewers Institute; and Jerry P. Johnson, American Warehousemen's Association.

Full committee meets tomorrow in executive session.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Fifty-seven public bills, H. R. 3174–3230; seven private bills, H. R. 3231–3237; and three resolutions, H. J. Res. 184, and H. Res. 126 and 127, were introduced. Pages 1841–1843

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. R. 1823, to provide for establishment of a Women's Reserve of the Coast Guard Reserve (H. Rept. 203);

H. R. 1824, to provide for crediting civilian service in computing military pay of former civilian employees of certain Government departments who were transferred to Coast Guard in military status (H. Rept. 204);

Two private bills, H. R. 2231 and 2233 (H. Repts. 205 and 206, respectively);

H. R. 2877, to authorize addition of certain land to Big Bend National Park, Tex. (H. Rept. 207); and

H. R. 969, to issue commemorative stamp in honor of the three hundredth anniversary of Annapolis, Md. (H. Rept. 208). Page 1841

Treasury-Post Office Appropriation: Following 2 hours of general debate a motion to recommit the bill was defeated, then the House, by voice vote, passed H. R. 3083, making appropriations for the Treasury and Post Office Departments and making funds available for the Export-Import Bank and the RFC for 1950. This measure provides a total of $3,072,817,903.93, of which $1,027,608,403.93 is provided for the agencies of the Treasury Department, while the balance of $2,045,209,500 is provided for the Post Office Department. The amount provided in the bill is $99,848,846.07 below the budget estimate. Pages 1825–1836

Commercial Fishing: Adopted H. Res. 124, making in order the consideration of H. R. 2363, a bill granting the consent and approval of Congress to an interstate compact relating to the better utilization of the fisheries of the Gulf coast and creating the Gulf States Marine Fisheries Commission. Then, by unanimous consent, the House proceeded to consider an identical Senate measure (S. J. Res. 42) which was passed with a perfecting amendment. Pages 1836–1838

Committee Meetings

OLEOMARGARINE TAXES

Committee on Agriculture: Held hearings on H. R. 1703, introduced by Representative Andresen of Minnesota, and H. R. 2023, introduced by Representative Granger, identical bills dealing only with repeal of certain oleomargarine taxes. The following witnesses testified: Charles W. Holman, secretary, National Cooperative Milk Producers Federation; Louis Bromfield, author and columnist; Charles W. Shephardson, dean, College of Agriculture, Texas A. & M. College; Jack Dethmers, representing National Creameries Association; Glenn M. Householder, representing all of the five National Pure Bred Dairy Breeders Associations; Frank L. Pellessier, Jr., representing California Farm Bureau Federation; Melvin H. Brightman, executive secretary, Dairy Industry Committee, Washington, D. C.; and J. T. Sanders, counsel, National Grange. Hearings will continue tomorrow on subject of repealing taxes on oleomargarine and permitting it to be colored yellow. Forty-four bills on these subjects have been referred to this committee in this session.

RENT CONTROL

Committee on Banking and Currency: Continued executive discussions on H. R. 1731, rent-control extension bill, and will meet again tomorrow morning on the same subject.

ECONOMIC COOPERATION ACT

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Held further executive consideration of H. R. 2362, to amend the Economic Cooperation Act of 1948, and heard testimony of Ernest Gross, Acting Assistant Secretary of State. Will continue executive meeting tomorrow.

WAR CLAIMS—BANKRUPTCY

Committee on the Judiciary: Ordered reported favorably to the House:

H. R. 2672, to provide for settlement of claims of military personnel and civilian employees of the War Department or of the Army for damage to or loss, destruction, capture, or abandonment of personal property occurring incident to their service;

H. R. 3111, amending the Bankruptcy Act by making numerous clarifying and technical changes; and

Eleven private claims bills.

FLOATING DRYDOCKS—IRON ORE SHIPPING

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Held further hearings to consider the subject of the installation of Navy surplus floating drydocks at Maritime Commission reserve fleet sites, and heard L. R. Sanford, executive vice president, Shipbuilders Council of America, New York City; James Moore, vice president, Moore Drydock Co., Oakland, Calif.; W. E. Blewett, executive vice president, Newport News Shipbuilding & Dry Dock Co., Newport News, Va.; C. S. Rogers, president, Norfolk Shipbuilding & Dry Dock Corp., Norfolk, Va.; John Green, president, Industrial Union of Marine and Shipbuilding Workers of America, CIO; and Joseph Haag, vice president, Todd Shipyards Corp. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

Later, in executive session, the committee ordered reported to the House H. J. Res. 143, to authorize vessels of Canadian registry to transport iron ore between U. S. ports on the Great Lakes during the period from March 15 to December 15, 1949, inclusive.

COMMEMORATIVE STAMP

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Ordered reported to the House H. R. 969, authorizing series of 3-cent stamps to commemorate tercentenary of Annapolis, Md.

RECLAMATION—HAWAIIAN STATEHOOD

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation heard the following witnesses speak on behalf of H. R. 1762, 1770, and 2000, all amending the Reclamation Project Act of 1939, relating to revising provisions regarding repayment contracts, short-term contracts to furnish water for irrigation, etc.; Don McBride, secretary-manager, National Reclamation Association, and Michael Straus of the Bureau of Reclamation. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

Subcommittee on Territorial and Insular Possessions ordered H. R. 49, providing statehood for Hawaii, reported to the full committee, as amended. Urging enactment of this legislation were Irwin W. Silverman, chief counsel, Division of Territories and Island Possessions, Department of the Interior, and three Members of the House who have introduced similar bills on this subject: Representatives Larcade, Mansfield, and Hale.

FEDERAL BUILDINGS

Committee on Public Works: Continued hearings on H. R. 3019, regarding planning, site acquisition, and for the design of Federal building projects, including post offices outside the District of Columbia. Testifying today were Walter Myers, Fourth Assistant Postmaster General, and Joseph F. Betterley, Superintendent, Division of Post Office Quarters in Mr. Myers' office. Members of the House will give their views on this subject at tomorrow's hearings.

SOCIAL SECURITY REVISIONS

Committee on Ways and Means: Held further hearings on H. R. 2892, amending the Social Security Act relative to public assistance and welfare services. Testifying today were Arthur J. Altmeyer, Commissioner of the Social Security Administration; Miss Elizabeth Wickenden, Washington representative of the American Public Welfare Association; J. O. McMahan, commissioner, Tennessee Department of Public Assistance; Aaron Paul, director, Kentucky Department of Public Assistance; Robert F. Roth, director, Charleston, W. Va., Department of Public Assistance; John Winters, director, Texas Department of Public Welfare; and J. Milton Patterson, director, Maryland Department of Public Welfare. Hearings continue tomorrow.

Friday, March 4, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate continued debate on amendment to cloture rule.

Bill to repeal Taft-Hartley Act and bills on agriculture reported by Senate groups.

Rent-control extension bill approved by House committee.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 1844–1848

Bills Introduced: Eleven bills were introduced, as follows: S. 1173 to S. 1183. Page 1847

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 110, Labor Extension Service Act of 1949 (S. Rept. 92);

S. 779, relating to pay and allowances of Navy officers appointed to permanent grades (S. Rept. 93); and

S. 979, to amend act of May 22, 1928, authorizing national survey of forest resources by increasing appropriations for that purpose (S. Rept. 94). Pages 1846–1847

Bill Referred: One House-passed bill was referred to appropriate committee. Page 1847

President's Message: President's message on reorganization of State Department in pursuance of Hoover Commission report was received by Senate. Page 1877

Cloture Rule: Senate continued debate on S. Res. 15, to amend the cloture rule. Pages 1862–1877

Nominations: One military and two civilian nominations were received, including that of Louis A. Johnson, of West Virginia, to be Secretary of Defense. Page 1878

Confirmations: Four civilian nominations were confirmed. Page 1878

Committee Meetings

INVESTIGATION, FORESTS, AND LAND TRANSFER

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: In executive session, the committee ordered reported without amendment the following four bills: S. 314, to authorize transfer of tract of land in the Robinson Remount Station to Crawford, Nebr.; S. 979, to amend act of May 22, 1928, authorizing national survey of forest resources by increasing appropriations for that purpose; S. Res. 36, authorizing investigation of matters relating to crop production and utilization; and S. J. Res. 53, providing for reforestation and revegetation for forest and range lands in national forests.

FIRST DEFICIENCY APPROPRIATION

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Deficiency Appropriations concluded hearings on H. R. 2632, first deficiency appropriations for 1949, after receiving testimony from the following witnesses: Senators Chavez, Anderson, Miller, Taylor, McCarran, Watkins, Myers, Stennis (who also testified on funds for FWA), and Malone; Representatives White and Colmer; and Col. H. C. Gee and assistants, of the Department of the Army, civil functions—all on funds for emergency flood control; Senator O'Mahoney and Dillard B. Lasseter, Administrator, and assistants, of the Farmers' Home Administration, on funds for the Farmers' Home Administration; Charles D. Marshall, General Manager, and assistants, all of the U. S. Maritime Commission, on funds for the Commission; Senator Broughton on Freedom Train item; Senator Wherry on Colorado-Big Thompson reclamation project; Herbert West, Walla Walla, Wash., on river and harbor funds; and the following witnesses on unemployment compensation: Robert C. Goodwin, Director, and assistants, all of the FSA; Russ Nixon, United Electric Radio and Machine Workers, CIO; Roy Eldean, United Public Workers of America, CIO; Katherine P. Ellickson, assistant director of research, CIO; Senator Pepper; and Fred Lawton and Robert L. Clark, both of the Bureau of the Budget. Commitee meets on Monday to mark up bill.

RENT CONTROL

Committee on Banking and Currency: Subcommittee on Housing and Rents continued hearings on extension of rent controls with Tighe E. Woods, Housing Expediter, continuing his testimony in support of S. 600, extending certain provisions of the Housing and Rent Act of 1947. Subcommittee continues Monday.

RECIPROCAL TRADE

Committee on Finance: Committee continued its hearings on H. R. 1211, extension of reciprocal-trade agreements, with Winthrop G. Brown, Director of the Office of International Trade Policy, State Department, continuing his discussion of the relation of the International Trade Organization and the reciprocal-trade-agreements program. Hearings continue tomorrow.

ECA

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee continued in executive session working on S. 833, to amend the Economic Cooperation Act of 1948, without taking further definite action. Meets again Monday.

HAWAIIAN JUDGESHIP

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee met for hearings on the nomination of J. Frank McLaughlin, to be U. S. district judge for the district of Hawaii.

LABOR, NOMINATIONS, AND FEDERAL AID

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: By a vote of 8 to 5, the committee ordered reported favorably the Thomas (Utah) substitute (without amendment) for S. 249, the National Labor Relations Act of 1949, repealing the Labor-Management Relations Act of 1947 (the so-called Taft-Hartley Act).

The nominations of Michael J. Galvin, to be Under Secretary of Labor, and Earl C. McGrath, to be Commissioner of Education, were voted reported favorably.

Action on S. 246, Federal aid to education, was deferred for 1 week.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Fourteen public bills, H. R. 3238–3251; four private bills, H. R. 3252–3255; and six resolutions, H. J. Res. 184, H. Con. Res. 43, and H. Res. 128–131, were introduced. Pages 1895–1896

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. J. Res. 143, authorizing iron ore transportation by Canadian vessels between U. S. ports on the Great Lakes from March 15 to December 15, 1949 (H. Rept. 209);

H. R. 2222, to provide a moratorium until July 1, 1950, respecting application of certain antitrust laws to indi-

vidual good faith, delivery price systems, and freight absorption practices (H. Rept. 210);

H. Res. 128, providing for consideration of, and 1 hour of general debate on, H. R. 1741, to establish a long-range guided-missiles proving ground (H. Rept. 211);

H. Res. 129, providing for consideration of, and 1 hour of general debate on, H. R. 2546, to establish radar air warning and control system (H. Rept. 212);

H. Res. 130, providing for consideration of, and 1 hour of general debate on, H. R. 2663, to provide for the administration of the Central Intelligence Agency (H. Rept. 213);

H. Res. 131, providing for consideration of, and 1 hour of general debate on, H. R. 2216, to provide for an Under Secretary of Defense (H. Rept. 214); and

H. R. 1731, rent control extension bill (H. Rept. 215).

Pages 1895–1896

General Casimir Pulaski: Under a special order of the House, many Members spoke in observance of the two hundred and first anniversary of the birth of Gen. Casimir Pulaski, Polish general and American Revolutionary hero. Pages 1881–1893

Committee Meetings

OLEOMARGARINE

Committee on Agriculture: Continued hearings on bills dealing with repeal of certain oleomargarine taxes, and permitting it to be colored yellow. The following witnesses testified: Mrs. Ethan M. Clark, dairy farmer, LeRoy, N. Y.; Russell Fifer, secretary, American Butter Institute; August Burnier, president, Chicago Local 754, International Brotherhood of Teamsters, Chauffeurs, Warehousemen, and Helpers of America; George S. Coble, Lexington, N. C., representing North Carolina dairy groups; Charles Fistere, American Butter Institute; Gene Hubbard, vice chairman, International Conference of Dairy Employees, affiliated with Brotherhood of Teamsters, AFL; Miss Jean Whitehill, Consumers Union of the United States, Inc.; Miss Anna Lord Strauss, president, League of Women Voters of the United States, who also submitted a prepared statement from the National Council of Jewish Women, Inc.; Tyre Taylor, representing the National Association of Retail Grocers; Ralph Wells, processing plant representative, Monmouth, Ill.; Donald Montgomery, CIO representative; and Clifford W. Patton, executive secretary, National Association of Consumers. A statement was also filed by Donald M. Cresswell, chief, Crop Reporting and Information, Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture.

Hearings are expected to be concluded tomorrow, at which time the committee will hear from Members of Congress who have introduced bills on oleomargarine in this session.

RENT CONTROL

Committee on Banking and Currency: Voted, 20 to 4, to report to the House H. R. 1731, rent-control extension bill. As reported, the bill contains the following amendments: Extends rent controls for 15 months to June 30, 1950; recontrols apartment and residential hotels, those units not rented for 24 months, trailers and trailer space used for other than transient occupancy, and lease units; eliminates the 15 percent lease clause; gives Housing Expediter authority to recontrol in any area that he has decontrolled since 1947, or hereafter decontrols, except that he cannot recontrol any area that has been decontrolled by order of the Emergency Court of Appeals on appeal; and will afford both landlord and tenant the services of an official representative to give full information as to their rights under provisions of the act.

D. C. RENT CONTROL

Committee on the District of Columbia: Judiciary Subcommittee approved H. R. 1757, D. C. rent-control extension bill, for reporting to the full committee on Monday.

MINIMUM WAGE—TAFT-HARTLEY REPEAL

Committee on Education and Labor: Continued executive discussions on H. R. 2033, minimum-wage bill, and will continue on same subject tomorrow.

The Kelley subcommittee announced hearings will commence on legislation repealing the Labor-Management Relations Act of 1947 (Taft-Hartley bill) Monday, March 7. It is hoped that these hearings will be completed in 10 days.

ECONOMIC COOPERATION ACT

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Met in executive session for further consideration of H. R. 2362, amending the Economic Cooperation Act of 1948. Will meet again Monday on same legislation.

DP'S—FOREIGN COPYRIGHTS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 1 heard Ugo Carusi, Chairman of the Displaced Persons Commission continue his statement on H. R. 1344, amending the Displaced Persons Act of 1948, and related bills.

Subcommittee No. 4 agreed to recommend favorably to the full committee H. R. 2285, to relax the provisions governing the copyright of foreign works, with amendment.

FLOATING DRYDOCKS

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Met in open hearings to consider further the subject of the installation of Navy surplus floating drydocks at Maritime Commission reserve fleet sites and heard D. D. Strohmeier, vice president, Bethlehem Steel Co.; William P. Hall, vice president, the Maryland Dry Dock Co., Baltimore, Md.; B. F. Campbell, vice president, Alabama Dry Dock & Shipbuilding Co., Mobile, Ala.; H. R. Gary, Merrill-Stevens Dry Dock & Repair Co., Jacksonville, Fla.; and C. R. Sanford, executive vice president, the Shipbuilders Council of America. Adjourned subject to call of the chair.

ALASKA STATEHOOD—RECLAMATION

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Territorial and Insular Possessions ordered reported to the full committee H. R. 331, Alaska statehood bill, with amendments. Speaking on behalf of this legislation to admit Alaska into the Federal Union were William E. Warne, Assistant Secretary of the Interior, and Rev. Paul J. O'Connor, S. J., of Alaska. Lt. Col. James W. Chapman, Legislative Division, Air Force, also testified and stated that the National Military Establishment has no objection to the enactment of the bill. Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

The Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation heard the following witnesses in its consideration of H. R. 1762, 1770, and 2000, all amending the Reclamation Project Act of 1939, relating to revising provisions regarding repayment contracts, short-term contracts to furnish water for irrigation, etc.: Representative White of California, in favor of the bill; Northcutt Ely, representing Colorado River Board of California, who suggested certain amendments; Arvin B. Shaw, representing the Irrigation Districts Association of California, and Ed Hyatt, State engineer of California, both of whom opposed the legislation.

FEDERAL BUILDINGS

Committee on Public Works: Concluded hearings on H. R. 3019, regarding planning, site acquisition, and for the design of Federal building projects, including post offices outside the District of Columbia. Heard on this subject were twenty Members of the House of Representatives; H. G. Hunter, Assistant Commissioner, and W. Meade Keller, Solicitor, both of the Federal Buildings Administration, FWA.

GUIDED MISSILES—RADAR SCREEN—CIA—UNDER SECRETARY OF DEFENSE

Committee on Rules: Approved rules for House consideration of the following:

H. Res. 128, open rule on H. R. 1741, to establish long-range guided missiles proving ground. Representatives Brooks and Short spoke in favor of this resolution.

H. Res. 129, open rule on H. R. 2546, to establish radar air-warning system. Representative Durham favored this resolution.

H. Res. 130, closed rule on H. R. 2663, providing for administration of the CIA. Representatives Sasscer, Short, and Brooks spoke in behalf of the closed rule, and Representative Wolcott requested an open rule, being opposed to certain alien provisions in the bill.

H. Res. 131, open rule on H. R. 2216, providing for an Under Secretary of Defense. Representatives Brooks and Short spoke in behalf of this resolution.

Committee will meet again Monday morning at 11 o'clock.

SOCIAL SECURITY REVISIONS

Committee on Ways and Means: At today's hearings on H. R. 2892, amending the Social Security Act relative to public assistance and welfare services, the following witnesses testified: Ellen Winston, commissioner, North Carolina State Board of Public Welfare; Sanford Bates, commissioner, New Jersey Department of Institutions and Agencies; Arthur Rivers, commissioner, South Carolina State Board of Public Welfare; W. B. Bond, commissioner, Mississippi State Board of Public Welfare; C. A. Herbage, deputy director, California Department of Public Welfare; Earl Kouns, director, Colorado Department of Public Welfare; Lawrence E. Higgins, commissioner, Louisiana State Board of Public Welfare; and W. A. Heller, Tyler, Tex. Hearings will continue Monday.

Saturday, March 5, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate continued debate on amendment to cloture rule.

Oleomargarine tax-repeal hearings concluded by House committee.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 1896–1901

Bills Introduced: Four bills were introduced, as follows: S. 1184 to S. 1187. Pages 1898–1899

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 213, to provide benefits for members of Reserve components of the armed forces who suffer disability or death from injuries incurred while engaged in active-duty training for periods less than 30 days or while en-

gaged in inactive-duty training, with amendments (S. Rept. 95); and

S. Res. 36, authorizing investigation of matters relating to crop production and utilization (S. Rept. 96), referred to Committee on Rules and Administration.

Page 1898

President's Message: President's message recommending amendments to National Security Act toward a more effective unification of armed services was received. Pages 1923–1924

Cloture Rule: Senate continued debate on S. Res. 15, to amend the cloture rule. Pages 1901–1923

Nominations: Senate received two civilian nominations. Page 1925

Confirmations: The nominations of Michael J. Galvin, of Massachusetts, to be Under Secretary of Labor, and of Earl James McGrath, of Iowa, to be Commissioner of Education, were confirmed, along with seven nominations to the Public Health Service. Page 1925

Committee Meetings

RECIPROCAL TRADE

Committee on Finance: Winthrop G. Brown, Director of the Office of International Trade Policy, State Department, concluded his discussion of the relation of the International Trade Organization and the reciprocal-trade agreements. Hearings continue Tuesday.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Monday, March 7, at 12 o'clock noon.

Committee Meetings

OLEOMARGARINE

Committee on Agriculture: Concluded hearings on bills dealing with repeal of certain oleomargarine taxes, and permitting it to be colored yellow. Today's session was set up to hear from Members of the House who have introduced legislation on either or both of the above-mentioned subjects. The Members that testified were Representatives St. George, Withrow, Lemke, White, Sanborn, and Vursell. Before the committee announced that it would again take up executive discussions on these bills Tuesday, March 8, a final summation of H. R. 3, which would permit colored margarine to be sold without taxes, was given by the author, Representative Poage. He was followed by Representative Andresen of Minnesota, who spoke on behalf of his bill, H. R. 1703, a measure dealing only with the repeal of certain taxes on oleomargarine.

MINIMUM WAGE

Committee on Education and Labor: Held further executive discussions on H. R. 2033, raising minimum-wage rates from 40 to 75 cents an hour. The meeting adjourned, subject to the call of the Chair.

Monday, March 7, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate recessed out of respect to Senator Broughton.
House passed CIA administrative measure and 20 Consent Calendar bills.
ECA bill approved by Senate committee.
Taft-Hartley Act repeal hearings opened by House group.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 1925–1928

Bills Introduced: One resolution was introduced, as follows: S. Res. 80. Page 1926

Condolence Resolution: Senate adopted S. Res. 80, providing for expressions of sympathy to family of Senator Broughton, and appointment of Senators to a funeral committee. Pages 1926–1928

Committee Meetings

U. S. SECURITY—CRYPTOGRAPHY

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee ordered reported to the full committee, with amendment, S. 277, to prevent disclosures of information concerning the cryptographic systems and the communication intelligence activities of the U. S., after receiving testimony from Under Secretary of Navy Kenney, and from a representative of the American Association of Newspaper Editors.

RENT CONTROL

Committee on Banking and Currency: Subcommittee on Housing and Rents continued its hearings on extension of rent-control legislation with Tighe E. Woods, Housing Expediter; Richard L. Hawkins, AVC; John W. Edelman, national legislative committee, and Leo Goodman, director, national housing committee, both of CIO—all testifying favorably to the legislation. Harry Mopsick, president, Union County Federation of Tenants Leagues, Linden, N. J.; Claude B. Cleverdon, Home Owners League of Summit County, Akron, Ohio; William E. Russell, chairman, Metropolitan Fair Rent Committee, New York City; Donald C. Haas, president, Civic Housing Association, Seattle; and Kendall Cady, Fair Rent Committee, Chicago, appeared generally in opposition to the legislation. A statement of the views of Emanuel Goldberg, counsel, Heights Taxpayers' Association, Inc., New York City, was filed with the committee. Hearings continue tomorrow.

ECA

Committee on Foreign Relations: In executive session, the committee unanimously voted to report with amendments S. 833, to amend the Economic Cooperation Act of 1948. The amendments adopted include those priorly agreed to, perfecting amendments, and others, including the Lodge amendment dealing with strategic materials, making ships available to Italy for transportation of Italian immigrants, the so-called CARE amendment by Tydings, the Wiley amendment on unification of Europe, and an amendment on shipment of goods in U. S.-flag ships. Brewster amendment on Indonesia was rejected.

NOMINATION

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Committee held hearings on the nomination of James Boyd, to be Director of the Bureau of Mines. Senators Johnson of Colorado, Millikin, and Neely appeared in opposition to the nomination, along with John Owens, secretary-treasurer, UMW, and D. J. Myers, Myers Chemical Corp., Lynchburg, Va. Dr. James Boyd appeared on behalf of his own nomination with Horace M. Albright, United States Potash Co., N. Y.; Max Ball, consulting engineer, Washington; Daniel Harrington, Washington; Otto Herres, Combined Metals Reduction Co., Salt Lake City; Harvey Tedrow, London Butte Mining Co., Alma, Colo.; and Julian Conover, American Mining Congress, Washington, also testifying favorably to the nomination.

OVERTIME COMPENSATION

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee continued hearings on H. R. 858 and S. 336, to clarify overtime compensation provisions of the Fair Labor Standards Act as applied in the longshore, stevedoring, building, and construction industries, receiving opposition testimony with Irving J. Levy and William Glazier, both of the CIO, appearing against retroactivity provisions, and Monroe Goldwater, New York attorney, representing 4,600 New York longshoremen, Joseph Kane, James Keys, and Richard Askew, all representing longshoremen of Philadelphia, appearing in opposition to the bills. Hearings continue tomorrow.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Forty-two public bills, H. R. 3256–3297; thirty-five private bills, H. R. 3298–3332; and six resolutions, H. Con. Res. 44 and 45, and H. Res. 132–135, were introduced. Pages 1956–1958

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

Four private bills, H. R. 679, 1010, 1591, and 1876 (H. Repts. 216–219, respectively);

H. R. 1340, to provide for U. S.-flag shipping participation in Government-financed cargoes (H. Rept. 220);

Disposition of executive papers (H. Rept. 221);

Five private bills, H. R. 1791, 731, 682, 607, and 602 (H. Repts. 222–226, respectively); and

H. R. 2672, to provide for settlement of personal property claims of military personnel and civilian employees of the War Department (H. Rept. 227). Pages 1956–1957

President's Message: Heard message of the President embodying recommendations relative to transfer of certain authority within the National Security Organization to the Secretary of Defense. The message was referred to the Committee on Armed Services and ordered printed as a House Document (H. Doc. 99).

Also heard message of the President with suggestions on foreign relations policy, and the transfer of certain powers to the Secretary of State. This message was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs and ordered printed as a House document (H. Doc. 98).

Pages 1934–1935

Consent Calendar: Passed the following bills on the call of the Consent Calendar:

Cleared for the President:

Alien property: S. 29, to authorize payment of claims based on loss of or damage to property deposited by alien enemies.

Land transfer: S. 170, to authorize the transfer of certain property to the Secretary of the Interior.

Relief: S. 593 in lieu of H. R. 2049, for the relief of certain postal employees.

Navy Supply Corps: S. 630, to remove upper age limit for appointment to commissioned grade in the Supply Corps of the Navy.

Sent to the Senate without amendment:

Aeronautics: H. R. 20, to authorize the creation of 10 professional and scientific positions in National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics.

Postmasters: H. R. 253, to amend act of June 25, 1938, relating to appointment of postmasters under civil service.

School buildings: H. R. 554, to provide for the construction, extension, and improvement of school buildings in Hoopa, Calif.

Navajo Indians: H. R. 994, to provide for disposition and use of tribal funds of Navajo Tribe of Indians.

Chippewa Indians: H. R. 1755, to authorize a $100 per capita payment to members of Red Lake Band of Chippewa Indians from proceeds of timber sales.

Foreign Economic Administration: H. R. 1950, for the relief of certain consultants formerly employed by the Foreign Economic Administration.

Relief: H. R. 1959, for the relief of the county of Allegheny, Pa.

Marine Band: H. R. 2485, to authorize attendance of Marine Band at Final National Encampment of GAR in Indianapolis on August 28–September 1, 1949.

Post Office parking: H. R. 2660, to prohibit the parking of vehicles upon property owned by U. S. for postal purposes.

Sent to Senate, amended:

Naval Reserve: S. 673, relating to pay and allowances of Naval Reserve officers performing active duty in rear-admiral grade.

Bravery Medal: H. R. 157, to authorize Attorney General of U. S. to recognize deeds of bravery and award a medal known as the Young American Medal for Bravery to outstanding courageous young Americans.

Alaska game law: H. R. 220, to amend section 3 of act entitled, "An act to revise the Alaska game law," approved July 1, 1943, as amended (57 Stat. 301).

Alaskan mining claims: H. R. 942, to amend Public Law 593 (80th Cong.) relative to patented mining claims in Alaska.

Alaska Council of Boy Scouts: H. R. 1337, to authorize sale of certain public lands in Alaska to the Alaska Council of Boy Scouts of America.

Defense: H. R. 2216, to amend the National Security Act of 1947, to provide for an Under Secretary of Defense. H. Res. 131, rule granted for consideration of H. R. 2216, was tabled.

Alien fiancés: H. J. Res. 160, to authorize completion of processing of visa cases, and admission into U. S. of certain alien fiancés and fiancées of members or former members of armed forces.

Pages 1936–1941

Commemorative Stamp: Adopted S. J. Res. 22, authorizing issuance of commemorative stamp for the three hundredth anniversary of Annapolis, Md.

Page 1942

CIA: Voted 348 yeas to 4 nays to suspend rules and pass H. R. 2663, to grant to the Central Intelligence Agency the authorities necessary for its proper administration.

Pages 1942–1949

Condolence Resolution: Adopted H. Res. 135, expressing condolence on the death of Hon. J. Melville Broughton, U. S. Senator from State of North Carolina. Pursuant to this resolution, the North Carolina delegation was appointed on the part of the House to attend the funeral.

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Committee Meetings

FEED AND SEED LOANS

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee No. 1 held open hearings in consideration of the following three bills: H. R. 1316, authorizing cancellation of interest, and in some cases the principal, on certain feed and seed loans, and providing a penalty for falsifications; H. R. 1394, to cancel emergency crop, seed, and feed loans where the maker of such loans has been disabled or killed in action in World War II; and H. J. Res. 54, relating to emergency crop, seed, and feed loans and to regional agricultural credit corporation loans.

Representatives Burdick and Lemke, and D. W. Haugen, McLean County, N. Dak., spoke on behalf of the three bills. Angus McDonald, assistant legislative secretary, National Farmers Union, testified in favor of H. R. 1316. He stated that these loans made under such conditions were only secured by the current crop; that they were supposed to be short-term loans, repayable in a year or less and consequently carried a very high rate of interest; that in all probability it would cost much more to collect the loans than they were worth. In conclusion he said that the National Farmers Union urged that the subcommittee give the purposes of the bill earnest consideration and hoped that it would be reported favorably.

MILITARY JUSTICE

Committee on Armed Services: Commenced hearings on H. R. 2498, a bill to establish a uniform code of military justice. The following witnesses testified: James Forrestal, Secretary of Defense; Prof. Edwin Morgan, Harvard University; and Felix Larkin, Office of Secretary of Defense. Hearings will continue on this subject tomorrow before Subcommittee No. 1.

The committee also designated Representatives Brooks and Short to draft a resolution of condolence to the family of the late Hon. Walter G. Andrews, former chairman of the Armed Services Committee.

DAYLIGHT SAVING—RENT CONTROL—CONTRACTS—PAY BILLS

Committee on the District of Columbia: Ordered the following bills reported to the House:

S. 135, authorizing D. C. Board of Commissioners to establish daylight saving time in the District of Columbia for the year 1949;

H. R. 1757, extending rent control in the District of Columbia to June 30, 1950; and

H. R. 2799, regulating the retent on contracts with the District of Columbia.

All of the above-mentioned bills were amended. The committee also considered H. R. 2437, teachers' pay bill, and H. R. 3088, municipal government employees pay bill, but postponed further consideration until definite action has been taken on the D. C. sales-tax legislation. Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

TAFT-HARTLEY REPEAL—MINIMUM WAGE

Committee on Education and Labor: The Kelley subcommittee opened hearings on H. R. 2032, to repeal the Labor-Management Act of 1947 and reenact the National Labor Relations Act of 1935. The following Members of Congress testified at today's meeting: Representatives Rodino, Bolton, Madden, Flood, O'Hara of Illinois, and Blatnik. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

The full committee continued executive discussions on H. R. 2033, raising minimum-wage rates from 40 to 75 cents an hour. Will continue on this bill tomorrow.

OLYMPIC GAMES—EUROPEAN RECOVERY

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Ordered reported to the House H. J. Res. 178, extending an invitation to the International Olympic Committee to hold the 1956 Olympic games at Detroit, Mich.

Also considered, in executive session, H. R. 2362, to amend the Economic Cooperation Act of 1948. Will meet on this subject tomorrow.

PRINTING—COMMUNISM—FASCISM

Committee on House Administration: The Subcommittee on Printing approved for reporting to the full committee H. R. 1579, allowing printing of extra copies of congressional hearings and other documents to the amount of $1,200 (now $500), by simple resolution; H. Con. Res. 18, authorizing reprint of publication entitled, "The Strategy and Tactics of World Communism"; H. Res. 38, authorizing printing of additional copies of publication entitled, "Fascism in Action." This last-mentioned resolution, introduced by Representative Patman, will be introduced as a House concurrent resolution.

TAX COURT—DISTRICT JUDGES

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 2 heard Spencer Gordon, Esq., Washington, D. C., and Mark Richardson, of New York City, representing the American Institute of Accountants, in opposition to H. R. 3113, to make the Tax Court a court of record. Hearings to be resumed at a later date.

Subcommittee No. 3 heard the following witnesses in support of several bills to authorize the appointment of additional district and circuit judges: Attorney General Tom C. Clark; Hon. Henry P. Chandler, Director of the Administrative Office of the U. S. Courts; Representatives Walter, Hart, Lyle, Miller of California, Bentsen, McKinnon, Smathers; Messrs. Kelly and Lane, representing the New York City Bar and the Association of the Bar of the City of New York; Augustus Studer, representing the New Jersey Bar Association; Judge John Biggs, Jr., chief judge, Third Circuit; Judge Albert B. Maris, circuit judge, Third Circuit; Judge Sherman Minton, circuit judge, Seventh Circuit; Judge Louis Goodman, district judge, northern district of California; and Judge Murray Hulburt, southern district of New York. Hearing will be continued on Wednesday morning.

Subcommittee No. 1 agreed to report one private immigration bill favorably to the full committee, and one adversely.

POSTAL RATES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Postmaster General Jesse M. Donaldson testified at today's opening hearings on H. R. 2945, to readjust postal rates. Hearings will continue on Wednesday.

RECLAMATION

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation continued hearings on H. R. 1770, amending the Reclamation Project Act of 1939, relating to revising provisions regarding repayment contracts, short-term contracts to furnish water for irrigation, etc. The following witnesses testified: Michael Straus, Commissioner, J. G. Will, chief counsel, G. W. Lineweaver, Chief, Operations and Maintenance, and Mr. Dickson, all of the Bureau of Reclamation, Department of the Interior; and J. H. Moeur, chairman, legislative committee, National Reclamation Association. Hearings will continue Friday, March 11.

RENT CONTROL

Committee on Rules: Met to consider a rule for floor debate on H. R. 1731, rent-control-extension bill. Heard

Representative Spence who requested a rule allowing 3 hours of general debate on the bill. Also speaking in favor of the bill was Representative Patman. Representative Wolcott spoke in opposition to the bill and requested a 6-hour rule. Representative Cole of Kansas spoke in opposition to the bill, and Representative Brown of Georgia spoke in favor of a provision in the measure which would provide the landlords with a fair return on their investments. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

SOCIAL SECURITY

Committee on Ways and Means: Continued with hearings on H. R. 2892, amending the Social Security Act relative to public assistance and welfare services. Today's witnesses were Resident Commissioner Fernós-Isern, of Puerto Rico; James Davis, Director, Division of Territories and Island Possessions, Department of Interior; Mrs. Celestina Z. Goodsaid, director, Division of Public Welfare, Department of Health, Puerto Rico; Roy Bornn, director, Social Welfare, Virgin Islands; Katharine F. Lenroot, Chief, Children's Bureau, Social Security Administration, FSA, who spoke on a need for an expanded program of child welfare services as part of a comprehensive program of public welfare; and Jane M. Hoey, Director, Bureau of Public Assistance, Social Security Administration, FSA, who spoke on recommendations for public assistance and family and adult welfare services. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

Joint Committee Meetings

PAPER BIDS

Joint Committee on Printing: Committee received bids from 32 paper companies. The bids were made on a schedule embracing 161 lots of various classes of paper. The total quantity estimated for the term of 3 months, beginning April 1, 1949, is approximately 25,105,000 pounds. Committee meets on March 14 to award contracts for paper.

Tuesday, March 8, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate continued debate on motion to consider cloture amendment.
House adjourned out of respect to Representative Bloom.
Hawaii and Alaska statehood bills approved by House committee.
Rent-control extension bill cleared for House action by Rules Committee.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 1960–1978

Bills Introduced: Twenty-two bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1188 to S. 1209; and S. Res. 81 and S. Res. 82. Pages 1965–1966, 1977, 2024

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. J. Res. 53, providing reforestation and revegetation for forest and range lands in national forests (S. Rept. 97);

S. 314, to authorize transfer of tract of land in the Robinson remount station to Crawford, Nebr. (S. Rept. 98); and

S. 249, National Labor Relations Act of 1949, repealing the Labor-Management Relations Act of 1947 (so-called Taft-Hartley Act) with amendments (S. Rept. 99);

S. 1209, to amend the Economic Cooperation Act of 1948 (a new number to replace or instead of S. 833) (S. Rept. 100). Pages 1965, 2024

Bills Referred: Sixteen House-passed bills were referred to appropriate committees. Page 1977

Pay, Allowances: Senate concurred in House amendment and cleared for the President S. 673, relating to pay and allowances of Naval Reserve officers performing active duty in rear-admiral grade. Page 1988

Cloture Rule: Senate heard general debate with the motion to take up S. Res. 15, to amend the cloture rule, the pending question. Pages 1978–2024

Smithsonian Institution: Senators Anderson and Saltonstall were appointed as members to the board of regents of Smithsonian Institution. Page 2024

Condolence Resolution: Senate adopted S. Res. 82, providing for expressions of sympathy to family of Representative Bloom, and appointment of Senators to a funeral committee. Page 2026

Nominations: One Army and seven civilian nominations were received. Page 2025

Committee Meetings

FIRST DEFICIENCY APPROPRIATION

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Deficiency Appropriations in executive session concluded marking up H. R. 2632, first deficiency appropriations for 1949.

WALLGREN NOMINATION

Committee on Armed Services: Committee met in executive session to consider the nomination of Mon C. Wallgren to be Chairman of National Security Resources Board. Further action on the nomination was put off until next week.

Committee also considered the nomination of Louis Johnson to be Secretary of Defense, with Mr. Johnson appearing in behalf of his nomination, and Lester P. Barlow, an engineer formerly with the Glenn L. Martin plant in Baltimore, appearing in opposition to the nomination.

RENT CONTROL

Committee on Banking and Currency: Subcommittee on Housing and Rents continued hearings on proposed extension of rent control, receiving testimony from the following witnesses on S. 600, extending certain provisions of the Housing and Rent Act of 1947: Roland J. Kahn, North Texas Apartment and Property Owners Association, and Mrs. Joseille Rhodes, Property Owners Association of Arizona, opposed the bill; N. J. Schorn, Detroit, favored gradual decontrol; Glenwood J. Sherrard, American Hotel Association, opposed rent control as applied to commercial hotels; and R. L. Vanderslice, Chicago Residential Hotel Association, opposed rent control as applied to residential hotels.

RECIPROCAL TRADE

Committee on Finance: Committee concluded hearings on H. R. 1211, extension of reciprocal trade agreements, after receiving testimony from Frank Southard, U. S. Executive Director of International Monetary Fund. Committee meets Thursday in executive session to consider reporting the bill to the Senate.

OVERTIME COMPENSATION

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee continued hearings on H. R. 858 and S. 336, to clarify overtime compensation provisions of the Fair Labor Standards Act as applied to the longshore, stevedoring, building, and construction industries, receiving further opposition testimony from the following witnesses: Monroe Goldwater, New York attorney; Ross J. Di Lorenzo, CIO, accompanied by Marcy Protter, in behalf of 5,000 Brooklyn longshoremen; Arthur Vignapiano and Joseph Fox, longshoremen; John C. White, attorney for American Ports Cotton Compress and Warehouse Association; and Joseph A. Clorety, Jr., AVC. Hearings continue tomorrow.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Sixteen public bills, H. R. 3333–3348; seven private bills, H. R. 3349–3355; and three resolutions, H. J. Res. 186, and H. Res. 136 and 137, were introduced. Pages 2031, 2034–2035

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. R. 3333, making appropriations for the Department of Labor, Federal Security Agency, and related independent agencies for 1950 (H. Rept. 228); and

H. R. 2799, regulating the retent on contracts with the District of Columbia (H. Rept. 229). Page 2034

Order of Business: On motion of Mr. McCormack, by unanimous consent, the House agreed to dispense with Calendar Wednesday business of Wednesday, March 9. Page 2025

Condolence Resolution: House adopted H. Res. 136, providing for expressions of sympathy to the family of Representative Bloom, and appointment of 15 Members, on the part of the House, to attend the funeral. Pages 2025–2034

Committee Meetings

FARM PRICE SUPPORTS

Committee on Agriculture: Resumed subcommittee hearings dealing with agricultural production price supports. This special subcommittee, Representative Pace, chairman, is presently considering several important agricultural measures, including the repeal or revision of the Agricultural Act of 1948, commonly known as the Aiken bill. The group again heard the testimony of Carroll Hunter, Solicitor, Department of Agriculture,

and Dr. Oscar Stine, Bureau of Agricultural Economics. Dr. Stine presented an informative discussion of "parity" as applied to income, using charts to illustrate and compare the farm income with industrial income during the years 1910 to the present time. Both witnesses were questioned by members of the subcommittee, Mr. Hunter giving legal interpretations and Dr. Stine defining features of the act from the standpoint of economics.

MILITARY JUSTICE—SERVICE PAY

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee No. 1 continued hearings on H. R. 2498, military justice bill, and heard the following witnesses: Arthur Farmer, War Veterans Bar Association; Richard Wels, New York County Bar Association; and Fred Bryan, New York City Bar Association. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

Subcommittee No. 2 continued hearings on H. R. 2553, armed services pay bill, and heard the following witnesses: Maj. Gen. John E. Dahlquist, Department of the Army; Vice Adm. William M. Fechteler, Department of the Navy; and John Hoen, Hook Commission. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

TAFT-HARTLEY REPEAL—MINIMUM WAGE

Committee on Education and Labor: Kelley subcommittee received the testimony of the following witnesses in its consideration of H. R. 2032, a bill to repeal the Labor-Management Relations Act of 1947: Jack Garrett Scott, general counsel, National Association of Motor Bus Operators; Hoyt P. Steele, vice president, Benjamin Electric Manufacturing Co., Des Plaines, Ill., and a member of the labor relations committee of the U. S. Chamber of Commerce; Harry P. Jeffrey, representing the Foreman's League for Education and Association; and Walter C. Richter, manager, personnel and industrial relations, Paterson Parchment Paper Co. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

Full committee met in late afternoon executive session to discuss the legislation raising minimum wages from 40 to 75 cents an hour (H. R. 2033). Final action is expected to be taken on the measure at tomorrow morning's meeting.

LIBRARY

Committee on House Administration: Subcommittee on Library held an executive meeting but took no action. Plan to meet again Tuesday, March 15.

FOREIGN COPYRIGHTS

Committee on the Judiciary: Ordered reported to the House H. R. 2285, relaxation of provisions governing copyright of foreign works, with corrective amendments, and one private immigration bill.

COMMERCIAL FISHING

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Subcommittee on Fisheries and Wildlife Conservation held open hearings to consider commercial fishing problems in the Great Lakes area. The following witnesses testified: Albert M. Day, Director, Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior; Claude Ver Duin, secretary, Michigan Fish Producers Association, Grand Haven, Mich.; Oliver Smith, Smith Bros., Port Washington, Wis.; Mathon Kyritsis, president, and Henry W. Smith, secretary, Illinois Commercial Fishermen's Association. Hearings continue tomorrow.

COLUMBIA INSTITUTION

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: The Crook subcommittee approved for reporting to the full committee H. R. 86, to make the Civil Service Retirement Act applicable to the Columbia Institution for the Deaf.

HAWAII AND ALASKA STATEHOOD

Committee on Public Lands: Ordered the following bills reported to the House:

H. R. 49, Hawaiian statehood bill; and
H. R. 331, Alaskan statehood bill.

FEDERAL LAND BILLS

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Public Lands approved the following for reporting to the full committee:

H. R. 1357, to authorize the establishment of the St. Croix Island National Monument, Maine, amended. Representative Fellows spoke in favor of this bill.

H. R. 2821, relating to acquisition or use of public lands by States, counties, or municipalities, amended.

H. R. 2914, amending the Taylor Grazing Act, removing limitation to total size of Taylor grazing district lands of 142,000,000 acres, etc.

H. R. 2931, a private land bill. Representative Preston spoke on behalf of this bill.

H. R. 3150, repealing certain acts relating to rules of survey to permit departures from the system of rectangular survey when necessary in all public land.

H. R. 3259, additional lands to the Abraham Lincoln National Historical Park, Ky.

Also considered, but took no action on, H. R. 3297, additional lands to Manasses National Battlefield Park, Va.; H. R. 2820, authorizing sale of certain lands for home sites by the Secretary of the Interior; and H. R. 2859, to authorize sale of public lands in Alaska. Delegate Bartlett spoke in favor of the last-mentioned bill. Also testifying on various bills were Marion Clawson, Director, and Jacob N. Wasserman, Chief Counsel, both of Bureau of Land Management; and Conrad L. Wirth, Assistant Director, National Park Service.

RENT CONTROL

Committee on Rules: Granted open rule providing for 5 hours' general debate and consideration on H. R. 1731, rent-control extension bill. Representatives Buchanan and Multer both urged the granting of the rule. The committee will meet in executive session tomorrow morning.

SOCIAL SECURITY

Committee on Ways and Means: Arthur J. Altmeyer, Commissioner of the Social Security Administration, again testified at the hearings on H. R. 2892, amending the Social Security Act relative to public assistance and welfare services. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

Wednesday, March 9, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate continued debate on motion to consider cloture amendment.

House passed bills on national security and Labor-FSA appropriation.

Senate groups voted to report measures on small business, remount service, and vessels on Great Lakes, and approved reports on textile mills and FTC price policies.

Bills increasing minimum-wage level and repealing tax on oleomargarine approved by House committees.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 2035–2042

Bills Introduced: Eight bills and four resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1210 to S. 1217; and S. Res. 83–S. Res. 86. Page 2040

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

Report of Interstate and Foreign Commerce Committee on Study and Investigation of the Closing of American Textile Mills, and the Operation of Textron, Inc. (S. Rept. 101), and ordered printed as a Senate document; and

S. 969, to transfer the Pomona (Calif.) station of the Agriculture Remount Service, with amendment (S. Rept. 102). Page 2039

Cloture Rule: Senate continued debate on motion to consider S. Res. 15, to amend the cloture rule. Pages 2042–2049, 2065–2087

Confirmations: The nomination of Llewellyn M. Williams, to be secretary of Alaska, was confirmed. Page 2087

Committee Meetings

REMOUNT SERVICE—CCC CHARTER

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Committee ordered reported, with technical amendment, S. 969, to transfer the Pomona (Calif.) station of the Agriculture Remount Service, after receiving testimony in support of the proposed legislation from Emory W. Morris, president, W. K. Kellogg Foundation, Chicago, and E. J. Overby, Assistant Secretary of Agriculture.

Following the above action, the committee met in executive session to consider further S. 900, to amend comprehensively the CCC Charter Act. Committee will meet on this bill again Friday.

RFC AND SMALL BUSINESS

Committee on Banking and Currency: In executive session, the committee voted to report favorably the nomination of Walter Lee Dunham, to be a member of the Board of Directors of RFC.

It also voted to report adversely S. Res. 29, to create a Committee To Study Small Business.

RENT CONTROL

Committee on Banking and Currency: Subcommittee on Housing and Rents continued its hearings on extension of rent control, receiving testimony on S. 600, extending certain provisions of the Housing and Rent Act of 1947, from Herbert Bearman, New York Tenants Council, in support of the bill; Harold J. McCormick, Central Park Plaza Corp., New York, and John D. Barnes, Cain Culhane, Inc., Chicago, in support of decontrol of luxury apartments. Theodore Herman, Minneapolis Rental Property Association, and Dr. T. V. Neal, San Antonio Property Owners Association, appeared in opposition to the bill. Subcommittee continues tomorrow.

TEXTILES, TRANSPORTATION COSTS (BASING POINT), CANADIAN VESSELS, AND NOMINATIONS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: The nomination of David J. Coddaire, to be a member of the Maritime Commission, was unanimously approved after the committee received testimony from Mr. Coddaire in support of his own nomination. Also, various routine nominations in the Coast Guard and the Coast and Geodetic Survey were approved.

A report by the Tobey Subcommittee on Closing of Nashua, N. H., Mills and Operations of Textron, Inc. (a study and investigation of the closing of American textile mills, the operation of Textron, Inc., and the use of charitable trusts by private industry) was unanimously approved for reporting.

A report on Study of Federal Trade Commission Pricing Policies, pursuant to S. Res. 241 of the Eightieth Congress, and on S. 236 (amendment), to formulate a policy as to transportation costs in interstate commerce, to promote competition, and to strengthen the antitrust laws, and S. 1008, to provide a 2-year moratorium with respect to application of certain antitrust laws to individual, good-faith delivered price systems and freight-absorption practices, was unanimously approved by the committee, and the report will be filed in the Senate and printed as a Senate document.

The committee also voted to report S. J. Res. 52, to authorize Canadian vessels to carry iron ore on the Great Lakes between the U. S. and Canadian ports during the 1949 season.

ELECTORAL COLLEGE

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee held hearings on S. J. Res. 2, to amend the Constitution regarding the electoral college system of electing the President and Vice President, receiving testimony in opposition to the resolution from the following witnesses: Senator Ferguson; Basil Brewer, publisher, and Charles J. Lewin, editor, Standard Times, New Bedford, Mass.; and Edward Simmons, a special writer. Subcommittee adjourned subject to call of the chair.

OVERTIME COMPENSATION

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee continued hearings on H. R. 858 and S. 336, to clarify overtime compensation provisions of the Fair Labor Standards Act as applied to the longshore, stevedoring, building, and construction industries, with the following witnesses from the Department of the Army and the Maritime Commission analyzing provisions of the bills: Brig. Gen. Frank S. Besson, Assistant Chief, and Joel T. Shedd, legal counsel, Office of Chief of Transportation, and John H. Fanning, Office of Judge Advocate General, all of the Department of the Army; and Joseph K. Carson, Commissioner, and Max E. Halpern, Bureau of Law, both of U. S. Maritime Commission. Hearings continue tomorrow.

POSTMASTERS, POSTAL RATES, AND U. S. MAIL

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Subcommittee, in executive session, voted to report favorably to the full committee S. 1174, to amend the act relating to the appointment of postmasters under civil service. This bill will be considered by the full committee tomorrow.

It indefinitely postponed S. 703, to permit the mailing of correspondence-course lessons at the rates of third- and fourth-class matter.

Witnesses were heard on S. 771, providing for renewal of and adjustment of compensation under contracts for carrying mail on water routes, but final action was carried over for another week.

Consideration was given to S. Res. 34, to authorize the Committee on Post Office and Civil Service to make a study and investigation regarding contracts with railroads for carrying U. S. mail, and S. 422, to provide for more expeditious carriage of domestic and foreign first-class mail by air, with the authors (Senators Langer and Brewster) of both measures present, who offered their recommendations. Action on the measures was held over for further consideration.

Full committee meets tomorrow.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Forty-seven public bills, H. R. 3356–3402; eleven private bills, H. R. 3403–3413; and eleven resolutions, H. J. Res. 187–190, and H. Res. 138–144, were introduced. Pages 2117, 2123–2124

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

Minority views on H. R. 1731, rent-control extension bill (H. Rept. 215, pt. 2);

Seven private bills, H. R. 593, 599, 735, 766, 3077, 3234, and 3254 (H. Repts. 230–236, respectively);

H. R. 1757, to extend provisions of D. C. Emergency Rent Act (H. Rept. 237);

H. R. 2285, to amend U. S. Code with respect to relaxation of provisions governing copyright of foreign works (H. Rept. 238);

H. R. 1101, a private bill (H. Rept. 239);

H. J. Res. 178, extending an invitation to hold the 1956 Olympic games at Detroit, Mich. (H. Rept. 240);

H. R. 165, to authorize the American River Basin development, California, for irrigation and reclamation (H. Rept. 241);

H. R. 2373, to amend the act establishing the Hot Springs National Park (H. Rept. 242);

H. Res. 138, providing for consideration of, waiving of points of order against, and 5 hours of debate on, H. R. 1731, to extend certain provisions of the Housing and Rent Act of 1947 (H. Rept. 243);

H. Res. 139, providing for consideration of and 1 hour of debate on S. J. Res. 36, to provide a contribution by the United States to the United Nations for the relief of Palestine refugees (H. Rept. 244);

S. 135, to establish daylight-saving time in the District of Columbia (H. Rept. 245); and

H. R. 2960, to expand and improve rural telephone service (H. Rept. 246). Page 2122

Labor-FSA Appropriations: After defeating a motion to recommit, the House proceeded to pass, by voice vote, H. R. 3333, the appropriation bill for the Department of Labor and the Federal Security Agency for fiscal year 1950. This measure also provides funds for the National Mediation Board and the Railroad Retirement Board.

The bill as sent to the Senate carries a total of $2,211,794,085, which is $23,271,600 below the budget estimate, and $353,838,775 more than the 1949 appropriation.

Pages 2090–2103

Radar Air Warning: Passed, with committee amendments, H. R. 2546, to authorize the Secretary of the Air Force to establish land-based air warning and control installations for the national security. Consideration of this measure was made in order by H. Res. 129, which was previously adopted. Pages 2104–2112

Guided Missiles: Passed, with committee amendments, H. R. 1741, to authorize the establishment of a joint long-range guided missiles proving ground. H. Res. 128, the rule for consideration of H. R. 1741, was previously adopted. Pages 2112–2117

Committee Meetings

OLEOMARGARINE

Committee on Agriculture: Voted 24 to 3 to report H. R. 2023 to the House. This measure would eliminate one-fourth cent per pound tax on white margarine and the 10-cent per pound tax on the precolored type in manufacturers', wholesalers', and retailers' license fees. Interstate shipment of yellow oleomargarine would be forbidden, and its sale would be permitted only in those States and Territories where there is a plant to make it and no local law prohibiting sale of the yellow variety.

MILITARY JUSTICE—SERVICE PAY

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee No. 1, at the hearings on H. R. 2498, military justice bill, heard the following representatives of the American Legion: Maj. Gen. Franklin Riter and John Finn. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

Subcommittee No. 2, at the hearings on H. R. 2553, armed services pay bill, heard the following witnesses: Maj. Gen. John E. Dahlquist, U. S. Army; John L. Hoen, executive secretary, Hook Commission; and Vice Adm. William R. Fechteler, Department of Navy.

MINIMUM WAGE

Committee on Education and Labor: Voted 15 to 6 to report H. R. 3190, raising the Federal minimum-wage level from 40 to 75 cents an hour. This new bill would not affect certain small businesses nor agricultural workers.

SOL BLOOM

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Adopted resolution of sorrow on the death of Representative Sol Bloom, chairman of the committee. This expression of sympathy will be tendered to the late chairman's daughter, Miss Vera Bloom.

PRINTING—FUNDS

Committee on House Administration: Ordered the following bills reported to the House:

H. R. 1579, allowing the printing of extra copies of congressional hearings and other documents to the amount of $1,200 (now $500), by simple resolution;

H. Con. Res. 18, authorizing reprint of publication entitled "The Strategy and Tactics of World Communism";

H. Con. Res. 44, to authorize printing of additional copies of publication entitled "Fascism in Action";

H. J. Res. 89, filling vacancy in Board of Regents of Smithsonian Institution;

H. Res. 93, a private resolution; and

H. Res. 113, to provide funds for the Committee on Education and Labor.

DP'S—DISTRICT JUDGES

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 1 heard Representatives Curtis, Lodge, and Javits speak in support of the amendments to the Displaced Persons Act.

Subcommittee No. 3 heard the following witnesses in support of the several bills to provide additional district and circuit judges throughout the United States: James D. Carpenter, representing the Bar of the State of New Jersey; R. Sturgis Ingersoll, representing the Philadelphia Bar Association; Representative Rees, of Kansas; Chief Judge Orie L. Phillips of the Court of Appeals, Tenth Circuit; Chief Judge Harold L. Stephens, D. C. Court of Appeals; Chief Judge Bolitha Laws, D. C. District Court; Lowry N. Coe, president, D. C. Bar Asso-

cation; Representative White, of California; George Maurice Morris and John Carmody, of the Bar of Washington, D. C.; Godfrey Munter, Washington Board of Trade; and Judge Campbell E. Beaumont, southern district of California. It was later announced that hearings on this subject would be continued on Friday, March 11, in the committee room.

COMMERCIAL FISHING

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Subcommittee on Fisheries and Wildlife Conservation further considered commercial-fishing problems in the Great Lakes area with the following witnesses testifying: F. A. Westerman, chief, Fish Division, Michigan Department of Conservation; Leonard Schwartz, director, Illinois Conservation Department; Dr. John Van Oosten, Chief, Great Lakes Fishery Investigations, Fish and Wildlife Service, Ann Arbor, Mich.; Claude Ver Duin, secretary, Michigan Fish Producers Association, Grand Haven, Mich.; Edward A. Power, Chief, Statistical Section, Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior; and John R. Schacht, general counsel, Great Lakes Fishing Association. Adjourned, subject to call of the Chair.

POSTAL RATES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Nelson B. Wentzel, Office of the Third Assistant Postmaster General, testified at today's hearings on H. R. 2945, to readjust postal rates. Hearings will continue on Friday, March 11.

RECLAMATION—STRATEGIC MINERALS

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation concluded public hearings on H. R. 1770, amending the Reclamation Project Act of 1939, relating to revising provisions regarding repayment contracts, short-term contracts to furnish water for irrigation, etc. Speaking on behalf of this legislation were Michael Straus, Commissioner, and G. W. Lineweaver, Chief of Operations and Maintenance, both of the Bureau of Reclamation, Department of the Interior; and Harry E. Polk, president, National Reclamation Association.

Subcommittee on Mines and Mining resumed hearings on H. R. 976, and other bills, to establish a Mine Incentive Payments Division in the Interior Department. J. Carson Adkerson, president, American Manganese Producers Association, and David G. Myers, president, Myers Chemical Co., Lynchburg, Va., both testified in favor of the legislation.

PALESTINE REFUGEES

Committee on Rules: Granted open rule providing for 1 hour of general debate and floor consideration of S. J. Res. 36, authorizing a special contribution of $16,000,000 by the United States to the UN for the relief of Palestine refugees.

SOCIAL SECURITY

Committee on Ways and Means: At the hearings on H. R. 2892, amending the Social Security Act relative to Public Assistance and welfare service, the committee heard the following representatives of associations for the blind: Peter J. Salmon, chairman, legislative committee, American Association for the Blind, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Dr. Robert B. Irwin, executive director, American Foundation for the Blind, Inc., New York City; A. L. Archibald, executive director, National Federation of the Blind, Palo Alto, Calif.; and Dr. Francis J. Cummings, representing the American Association of Workers for the Blind, Wilmington, Del. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

Thursday, March 10, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

President of Senate ruled that cloture applies to motion to consider resolution.
House debated rent-control extension bill.
Bills on reciprocal trade, veterans, CIA, Secretary of Defense, cryptography, pay increase, and postal rates approved by Senate groups.
D. C. sales-tax bill ordered reported by House committee.
Conferees agree on cotton-acreage bill.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, page 2165

Bills Introduced: Two bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 1218 and S. 1219; and S. Res. 87. Page 2165

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 1219, authorizing Secretary of Army to convey a portion of the Charleston Army Base Terminal to the city of Charleston (S. Rept. 103);

H. R. 2216, to provide for an Under Secretary of Defense (S. Rept. 104);

H. R. 2485, to authorize attendance of Marine Band at GAR Encampment at Indianapolis (S. Rept. 105);

H. R. 2663, to grant to the Central Intelligence Agency the authorities necessary for its proper administration (S. Rept. 106); and

S. Res. 87, to print additional copies of ECA hearings (no written report). Page 2165

Bills Referred: Three House-passed bills were referred to appropriate committees. Page 2125

Printing: Senate adopted S. Res. 87, to print additional copies of ECA hearings. Page 2165

Cloture Rule: Senate continued debate on the motion to take up S. Res. 15, to amend the cloture rule. Toward the close of the day, a cloture motion was filed by Senator Lucas, on the motion to take up S. Res. 15. Immediately, Senator Russell made a point of order that the cloture motion could not be applied to that motion, but could only apply to a pending measure. The President of the Senate overruled the point of order, from which Senator Russell took an appeal from the decision of the Chair. Pages 2125–2159, 2166–2175

Nominations: Eight civilian nominations were received. Page 2175

Confirmations: Sundry Army, Air Force, and Navy nominations, including that of Maj. Gen. Herman Feldman, to be Quartermaster General, were confirmed. Pages 2175–2177

Committee Meetings

FIRST DEFICIENCY APPROPRIATION

Committee on Appropriations: Committee met in executive session to consider for reporting H. R. 2632, first deficiency appropriations for 1949, but did not conclude its work.

CIA, SECRETARY OF DEFENSE, CRYPTOGRAPHY, MARINE BAND, ARMY BASE, AND NOMINATIONS

Committee on Armed Services: Committee voted to report the following bills: H. R. 2663, to grant to the Central Intelligence Agency the authorities necessary for its proper administration; H. R. 2216, to provide for an Under Secretary of Defense; S. 277, to prevent disclosures of information concerning the cryptographic systems and the communication intelligence activities of the U. S., with amendment; and H. R. 2485, to authorize attendance of Marine Band at GAR Encampment at Indianapolis.

It agreed that a clean bill be introduced and reported (S. 1219) in place of S. 886, authorizing Secretary of the Army to convey a portion of the Charleston Army Base Terminal to the city of Charleston.

Five hundred and six routine nominations were ordered reported favorably.

RENT CONTROL

Committee on Banking and Currency: Subcommittee on Housing and Rents continued its hearings on extension of rent control with Senator Myers and Chester Bowles, Governor of Connecticut, testifying in support of S. 888, to provide more adequate and effective rent control until June 30, 1951. Burton Edwards, John E. Owen, and John Usher, National Apartment Owners Association appeared in opposition to controls. Verne McMillan, Arkansas Property Owners Association, Little Rock, opposed the legislation. Hearings continue tomorrow.

RECIPROCAL TRADE—VETERANS

Committtee on Finance: In executive session, the committee agreed to report without amendment H. R. 1211, extension of reciprocal trade agreements, after rejecting two amendments. The first amendment would have restored to the bill the peril-point provisions in the present law. The second amendment would have made the extension for 2 years instead of 3 (from June 12, 1948).

It also voted to report S. 928, to name a hospital in Wilmington, Del., the William L. Nelson Veterans Memorial Hospital.

OVERTIME COMPENSATION

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee continued hearings on H. R. 858 and S. 336, to clarify the overtime compensation provisions of the Fair Labor Standards Act as applied in the longshore, stevedoring, building, and construction industries, receiving further testimony from Monroe Goldwater, New York attorney representing 4,600 New York longshoremen (representing plaintiff in the Bay Ridge case—Aaron, et al.), and William Radner, Waterfront Employers Association of the Pacific Coast. Also testifying were William A. Quinlan, Washington attorney, and two representatives of ILA locals.

VETERANS

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee heard the following witnesses express their views on the proposed curtailment of veterans-hospital-construction program recommended by the President in his budget message: Carl R. Gray, Jr., VA Administrator; Brig. Gen. John Thomas Taylor and T. O. Kraable, both representing American Legion posts; and Omar B. Ketchum and George E. Ijams, both of VFW. Committee continues tomorrow.

GOVERNMENT PAY INCREASES, POSTAL RATES, COMMEMORATIVE STAMPS, AND NOMINATIONS

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: In executive session, the committee, by 6 to 3, voted to report, with amendment, S. 498, to increase pay of heads and assistant heads of executive departments and independ-

ent agencies, after having received a favorable report from its subcommittee. Opinions were also expressed in support of pay increases for other Government employees.

It voted unanimously to report S. 1174, to permit fourth-class postmasters to be upgraded to third class and third-class postmasters to be downgraded to fourth class without examination.

The committee voted to report favorably approximately 250 nominations for postmasters in 17 States, and Puerto Rico.

Following the above action, the committee, in open session, heard Postmaster General Donaldson discuss commemorative stamps. The chairman was instructed to appoint three members to serve on a joint subcommittee of the House and Senate to deal with the subject.

Committee meets March 14 to hear the Postmaster General in regard to S. 1103, to readjust postal rates. On March 16, Subcommittee on Postal Rates and Postal Service will begin hearings on the part of the opposition, taking up on that day first-class mail, postals, and post cards.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Forty-three public bills, H. R. 3414–3456; fifteen private bills, H. R. 3457–3471; and six resolutions, H. J. Res. 191; H. Con. Res. 46 and 47; and H. Res. 145 were introduced. Pages 2212–2213

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. Res. 140, to pay gratuity to Mrs. Annie O. Brown (H. Rept. 247);

H. Res. 126, to pay a gratuity to Mrs. Charlotte H. Murdock (H. Rept. 248);

H. J. Res. 89, providing for the filling of a vacancy in the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution (H. Rept. 249);

H. Res. 93, a private resolution (H. Rept. 250);

H. Res. 113, to provide funds for the Committee on Education and Labor (H. Rept. 251);

H. Con. Res. 18, authorizing reprint of publication entitled "The Strategy and Tactics of World Communism" (H. Rept. 252);

H. Con. Res. 44, authorizing printing of additional copies of publication entitled "Fascism in Action" (H. Rept. 253);

H. R. 49, providing statehood for Hawaii (H. Rept. 254);

H. R. 331, providing statehood for Alaska (H. Rept. 255). Page 2212

Administrative Resolutions: Reported, considered, and adopted the following resolutions:

Death Gratuity: H. Res. 126 and H. Res. 140, granting 6 months' salary and a payment of $250 for defrayment of funeral expenses to the widows of two recently deceased House employees.

Smithsonian Institution: H. J. Res. 89, electing Jerome C. Hunsaker to the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution.

Private Measure: H. Res. 93, a private resolution.

Committee Expenses: H. Res. 113, to provide funds for the Committee on Education and Labor.

Communism: H. Con. Res. 18, authorizing reprint of publication entitled "The Strategy and Tactics of World Communism."

Fascism: H. Con. Res. 44, authorizing printing of additional copies of publication entitled "Fascism in Action." Pages 2178–2179

Rent Control: After adopting H. Res. 138, the rule for consideration of H. R. 1731, rent-control extension bill, the House proceeded to debate the measure for 4 hours, after which the House postponed further consideration of the measure until tomorrow.

Pages 2179–2211

Order of Business: On motion of Mr. McCormack, by unanimous consent, the House agreed to dispense with Calendar Wednesday business of Wednesday, March 16. Page 2211

Committee Meetings

FARM PRICE SUPPORTS

Committee on Agriculture: The Pace special subcommittee at its hearings considering several important agricultural measures, including repeal or revision of the Agricultural Act of 1948 (Aiken bill), again resumed its questioning of Dr. Oscar Stine, Bureau of Agricultural Economics, and Carroll Hunter, Solicitor, Department of Agriculture. These witnesses furnished the Department's interpretations of sections 302 (a) and (b) which were under particular discussion. Besides the subject of price-support levels, the discussion included the correctness of the percentages used in computing carry-overs; the time when support prices are determined and announced to producers; the authority of the Secretary to fix levels of support under the flexible provisions; and his authority to apply methods such as purchase programs and direct payments to bring the support prices up to the minimums set out in the act. These same witnesses will continue at tomorrow morning's hearing.

MILITARY JUSTICE—SERVICE PAY

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee No. 1, continuing with hearings on H. R. 2498, revision of Code of Military Justice, had as its witnesses Col. Melvin Maas, Marine Corps Reserve, president, Marine Corps Reserve Association, and George Spiegelberg, chairman, committee on military justice of the American Bar Association. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

Subcommittee No. 2, considering H. R. 2553, armed services pay bill, again heard the testimony of Maj. Gen. John E. Dahlquist, Department of the Army, and Vice Adm. William M. Fechteler, Department of the Navy. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

D. C. SALES TAX

Committee on the District of Columbia: Voted 16 to 7 to report to the House H. R. 3347, providing for a 2-percent retail sales tax, with an amendment to exempt prescription medicine. Consideration of bills increasing pay for District teachers, police, and firemen was postponed pending final outcome of the sales tax bill.

TAFT-HARTLEY REPEAL

Committee on Education and Labor: Kelley subcommittee received further testimony at its hearings on H. R. 2032, a bill to repeal the Labor-Management Relations Act of 1947, with the following witnesses testifying: H. L. Strobel, speaking for agriculture and small business; E. L. Chandler, National Society of Professional Engineers; Lyle H. Fisher, Minnesota Mining Congress; David Roadley, American Cotton Manufacturers Association; Joseph R. Barnes, Illinois Manufacturing Co.; and J. W. Keener, B. F. Goodrich Co. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

DEPARTMENTAL ORDERS, REVIEW

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 2 heard the following witnesses on H. R. 2915, regarding review of certain orders of the Federal Communications Commission and the Department of Agriculture, and on H. R. 2916, regarding review of certain orders of the U. S. Maritime Commission and the Interstate Commerce Commission: Chief Judge Orie L. Phillips, Court of Appeals for the Tenth Circuit; Attorney General Tom C. Clark; Solicitor General Philip B. Perlman; Charles W. Bucy, Assistant Solicitor, Department of Agriculture; and Paul Page, Solicitor, U. S. Maritime Commission. Hearings will be continued at a later date.

MAILS, FRONT ORGANIZATIONS

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Williams subcommittee opened hearings on H. R. 1002, requiring Communist-front organizations to identify matter sent, or caused to be sent, by or for them through the mails. The following witnesses testified: Roy C. Frank, Associate Solicitor, Post Office Department; James G. Yaden, president, American Federation of Government Employees, Harry Hayden, assistant national legislative representative, American Legion; Omar Ketcham, director, Veterans of Foreign Wars; and Charles E. Foster, assistant director, Disabled American Veterans. This hearing was adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

MINE INCENTIVE PAYMENTS

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Mines and Mining concluded hearings on H. R. 976, and related bills, to establish a Mine Incentive Payments Division in the Interior Department. Speaking on the subject of mine incentive payments were C. Girard Davidson, Assistant Secretary of the Interior; and Dr. James Boyd, Director, and Henning E. Olund, mining engineer, both of the Bureau of Mines, Department of the Interior. Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

FEDERAL BUILDINGS

Committee on Public Works: Resumed hearings on H. R. 3019, regarding planning, site acquisition, and for the design of Federal building projects, including post offices outside of the District of Columbia. H. G. Hunter, Assistant Commissioner, Federal Buildings Administration, FWA, was today's chief witness. Also present and answering committee's questions were W. Meade Keller, Solicitor, Federal Buildings Administration, FWA; Walter Myers, Fourth Assistant Postmaster General; and Joseph F. Betterley, Superintendent, Division of Post Office Quarters in Mr. Myers' office. Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

SOCIAL SECURITY

Committee on Ways and Means: Continued hearings on H. R. 2892, amending the Social Security Act relative to public assistance and welfare services, and heard testimony of Rt. Rev. Msgr. John O'Grady, secretary, National Conference of Catholic Charities, Washington, D. C.; Edgar G. Brown, director, National Negro Council, Washington, D. C.; and Benjamin C. Marsh, executive secretary, The People's Lobby, Inc., Washington, D. C. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

Joint Committee Meetings

ATOMIC WEAPONS

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: In executive session, the committee heard the following representatives of the Atomic Energy Commission give a confidential discussion on weapons and production: Chairman David E. Lilienthal; Commissioners Robert F. Bacher, Lewis L. Strauss, and Sumner T. Pike; Walter J. Williams, Director, Division of Production; Joseph Volpe, deputy general counsel; Everett L. Hollis, associate general counsel; and Capt. James S. Russell, USN, Division of Military Application.

COTTON ACREAGE

Conferees reconsidered their report on H. R. 128, excluding cotton planted in 1949 from use in computing cotton-acreage allotments for any subsequent year, and agreed to file a conference report on the bill embodying the language of the House-passed version of the bill, except the proviso relative to cotton planted in 1947 or 1948 was stricken out.

Friday, March 11, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate overruled decision of Chair on application of cloture motion.

House continued consideration of rent-control extension.

Army-Air Forces composition bill cleared for House action by the Rules Committee.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 2215–2227

Bills Introduced: Thirty bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1220 to S. 1249; S. J. Res. 60; and S. Res. 88. **Pages 2220–2221**

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 1211, extension of reciprocal trade agreements (S. Rept. 107);

S. 928, to name a hospital in Wilmington, Del., the William L. Nelson Veterans Memorial Hospital (S. Rept. 108);

S. 1174, to permit fourth-class postmasters to be upgraded to third class and third-class postmasters to be downgraded to fourth class without examination (S. Rept. 109);

S. J. Res. 52, to authorize Canadian vessels to carry iron ore on the Great Lakes between the U. S. and Canadian ports during the 1949 season (S. Rept. 110);

S. 277, to prevent disclosures of information concerning the cryptographic systems and the communication intelligence activities of the U. S., with amendments (S. Rept. 111); and

Supplemental report to accompany S. 1070, Housing Act of 1949 (pt. II of S. Rept. 84). **Page 2220**

Bills Referred: Three House-passed bills were referred to appropriate committees. **Page 2221**

Hoover Commission: A summary of reports of Commission on Organization of Executive Branch of Government (Hoover Commission) was ordered printed as S. Doc. 28. **Page 2221**

Cloture Rule: Continuing on the motion to take up S. Res. 15, to amend the cloture rule, by vote of 41 yeas to 46 nays, the Senate overruled the Vice President's decision of yesterday in which he held out of order the point of order by Senator Russell that the cloture motion could not be applied to a motion to take up S. Res. 15, to amend the cloture rule. Prior to this, the Senate by vote of 41 yeas to 46 nays rejected a motion to table the appeal taken from the decision of the Chair. **Pages 2214, 2227–2276**

Committee Meetings

RENT CONTROL

Committee on Banking and Currency: Subcommittee on Housing and Rents concluded hearings on extension of rent control, after receiving proponent and opponent testimony from the following witnesses:

Testifying against the legislation were: Ferdinand Howarth, Chicago; Roscoe Walters, Maryland; Rev. Wallace J. Murphy, Property Owners Association of America; Bernard B. Wolfe, Apartment House and Hotel Association, Chicago; S. Oliver O'Bryan, Greater Miami Apartment House Association; E. H. Palmer, Property Owners Association of Lexington and Fayette Counties, Ky.; Mrs. Beth Zeyer, Salt Lake City Independent Landlords; Mrs. Glenn Gooding, Cushing, Okla.; Herbert U. Nelson, National Association of Real Estate Boards; James P. Bourne, Louisville and Jefferson County Property Owners Association; Mrs. J. H. Biggs, Norfolk-Portsmouth Property Owners Association; Robert Dowling, City Investing Co.; Mrs. Gertrude Murphy, Detroit Property Owners; C. H. McCaslin, Property Owners of Alameda County; Dr. Davis, Independent Hotels of Colorado; Mrs. Farber, Detroit Small Property Owners; and Mrs. Freal, attorney for Tulsa Property Owners Association, Oklahoma.

Testifying for the legislation were Edgar Brown, National Negro Council; Mr. Henderson, American Council for Human Rights; Jack Carter, VFW; Mr. Coppola, representing Traveling Men; and Mayor William O'Dwyer, New York City.

DISTRICT BILLS

Committee on the District of Columbia: Judiciary Subcommittee held hearings on 13 bills as follows: S. 1113, to conserve the assets of aged and mentally incompetent persons by appointment of committees; S. 1122, children born out of wedlock; S. 1123, service of process on nonresidents; S. 1124, appointment of counsel to impoverished defendants in criminal cases; S. 1125, payment of temporary maintenance in alimony cases; S. 1127, notice to be given upon a petition for probate of a will; S. 1129, nomenclature and practice prescribed by the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure; S. 1130, increase sum allowable for funeral expenses from $600 to $1,000; S. 1131, settlement of decedent's estates at election of personal representative; S. 1132, time within which caveat may be filed to a will; S. 1133, attorney appointed to defend uncontested annulments; S. 1134, publication of annulment actions; and S. 1135, family allowance and simplified procedure in settlement of small estates.

The following witnesses testified on the above bills: Larry Coe, president, Arthur J. Hilland, chairman, legislative committee, and Victor Mersh, all of D. C. Bar Association; Vernon E. West, D. C. Corporation Counsel; Una Rita Morris, juvenile court; Theodore Cogswell, D. C. Register of Wills; and Frederick A. Thuee, Commission on Mental Health.

MARITIME COMMISSION INVESTIGATIONS

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Investigations Subcommittee began its study of backlog of accounts of the Maritime Commission, with the following witnesses discussing the outstanding accounts amounting to between 25 and 50 million dollars owed the U. S. Maritime Commission: Kenneth E. Harris, Assistant Chief Comptroller, Edward B. Breitenbach, Chief of the Bureau of Finance, and Thomas H. Reavis, Chief of Division of Accounts, all of U. S. Maritime Commission. Hearings continue tomorrow.

STATE DEPARTMENT

Committee on Foreign Relations: In executive session, the committee heard Secretary of State Acheson and Under Secretary of State Peurifoy testify in support of proposals to strengthen and improve organization and administration of the State Department. These recommendations are sponsored by the Administration, and are based on the recommendations of the Hoover Commission.

RRB AND FEDERAL AID TO EDUCATION

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: In executive session, the committee voted to report the nomination of F. C. Squire, to reappointment to the Railroad Retirement Board.

It also discussed the Federal-aid-to-education bill, and following the meeting the chairman announced that the Subcommittee on School Health Service was nearly ready to make a report on school health service. Pursuant to a prior understanding among the Senators of this committee, Federal aid to education and school health service should be reported out in two separate bills at about the same time. Consequently, it was agreed that action on both bills go over until the next meeting.

VETERANS

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee continued hearings on the proposed curtailment of the veterans' hospital construction program recommended by the President in his budget message, with the following witnesses expressing their views on the subject: Brig. Gen. George E. Armstrong, Deputy Surgeon General of the Army; Dr. Frank B. Gigliotti, Regular Veterans Association; Dr. Graham Davis, committee on veterans' relations of the American Hospital Association; and Rear Adm. A. H. Dearing and Capt. C. E. Wilcox, Bureau of Medicine and Surgery, Navy Department. Hearings continue tomorrow.

GOVERNMENT CAFETERIAS

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Subcommittee met in executive session to consider S. 722, operation of Government cafeterias, but made no announcement of action taken. Subcommittee will meet again on this at a later date.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Twenty-one public bills, H. R. 3472–3492; sixteen private bills, H. R. 3493–3508; and two resolutions, H. Res. 146 and 147, were introduced. **Pages 2277, 2318–2319**

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. R. 2812, authorizing sale of certain land to Russian Orthodox Greek Catholic Church of North America (H. Rept. 256);

H. R. 3347, to provide additional revenue for the District of Columbia (sales tax bill) (H. Rept. 257); and

Minority report to accompany H. R. 3347 (pt. II, H. Rept. 257). Page 2318

Foreign Affairs: Adopted H. Res. 146; electing Representative Kee, of West Virginia, to the chairmanship of the Committee on Foreign Affairs. Page 2277

Rent Control: The House concluded general debate on H. R. 1731, the rent-control extension bill, and proceeded to read the measure for amendments. Adopted an amendment deleting from the bill a provision to recontrol hotels which have heretofore been decontrolled. After adopting an amendment designed to provide a reasonable return on the reasonable value of rental facilities, as far as practicable, the House postponed further consideration of the bill until Tuesday, March 15.

Pages 2277–2316

Committee Meetings

TAFT-HARTLEY REPEAL

Committee on Education and Labor: Kelley subcommittee at its morning hearings on H. R. 2032, a bill to repeal the Labor-Management Relations Act of 1947, heard testimony from George J. Tichy and John C. Curren, Timber Products Manufacturing Association; and Charles M. Brooks, The Texas Co. Mr. Brooks again appeared at the night session of the subcommittee to answer questions concerning his morning's statement, and was followed by other witnesses whose names will be carried in tomorrow's account of the subcommittee's action.

ECONOMIC COOPERATION ACT

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Resumed executive consideration of H. R. 2362, to amend the Economic Cooperation Act of 1948, and heard testimony of Herbert Gaston, of the Export-Import Bank of Washington, D. C., and Burke Knapp, Department of State. Adjourned until Monday, March 14.

DP'S—DISTRICT JUDGES—HOLIDAYS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 1 met briefly to accept prepared statements on the proposed amendments to the Displaced Persons Act. Hearings have been concluded.

Subcommittee No. 3 concluded hearings on several bills to create additional judgeships throughout the United States and heard the following witnesses: Zachary T. Wybensmith, representing the Philadelphia Bar; Chief Judge Joseph C. Hutcheson, Jr., Court of Appeals, Fifth Circuit; District Judge Louis E. Goldman, southern district of California; Circuit Judge William Denman, Ninth Circuit; District Judge Campbell E. Beaumont, southern district of California; Chief Judge John Biggs, Jr., Court of Appeals, Third Circuit; Will Shafroth, Chief of Procedural Studies and Statistics, Administrative Office of the United States Courts; and Chief Judge Harold L. Stephens, Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia.

Also approved 10 private claims bills for reporting to the full committee.

Subcommittee No. 4 heard the following witnesses on the holiday bills: Representative Dondero on National Teachers' Day; Representative Judd on National Heart Week; Representative Lanham on Shut-In's Day; Representative Denton, and Harry V. Hayden, legislative representative of the American Legion, on World War II Victory Day; Representative Barrett of Pennsylvania on Columbus Day; Charles B. Helm of Philadelphia on Flag Day; Representatives Lane and Sadlak on Pulaski Day; and Representative Keefe and Judge Albert K. Schmidt, president, Fraternal Order of Eagles, on Emblem Day. Hearings to be continued March 21.

ARMY-AIR FORCE COMPOSITION—INVESTIGATIONS

Committee on Rules: Granted open rule providing for 4 hours' general debate on H. R. 1437, Army-Air Force composition bill, with Representative Vinson speaking on behalf of the rule.

Also approved for reporting to the House H. Res. 137, authorizing Committee on the Judiciary to make certain studies and investigations, and H. Res. 112, authorizing the Committee on Agriculture to make investigations into any matter within its jurisdiction. Speaking in favor of the Judiciary Committee resolution were Representatives Celler, Walter, Hobbs, Bryson, and Tackett, and Representatives Cooley and Andresen of Minnesota spoke on behalf of the Committee on Agriculture resolution.

SOCIAL SECURITY

Committee on Ways and Means: At the hearings on H. R. 2892, amending the Social Security Act relative to public assistance and welfare services, the following witnesses testified: John B. St. John, representing the social security committee of the U. S. Chamber of Commerce; Claude Bakewell, cochairman of the national legislative committee, AMVETS; T. J. S. Waxter, director, Maryland Department of Public Welfare; Charles L. Chute, vice president, National Probation and Parole Association, New York City; and James Watt, manager, Washington office, Christian Science Committee on Publication. Adjourned until Monday, March 14.

Saturday, March 12, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate continued debate on motion to consider cloture amendment.

Senate

Chamber Action

Cloture Rule: Senate continued debate on motion to take up S. Res. 15, to amend the cloture rule. The yeas and nays on this motion were ordered. Pages 2321–2355

Nominations: A total of 96 nominations were received, of which 24 were Marine and 72 Navy.

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Committee Meetings

MARITIME COMMISSION INVESTIGATIONS

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Continuing its study of backlog of accounts of the Maritime Commission, the Investigations Subcommittee heard the following witnesses discuss the outstanding accounts amounting to between 25 and 50 million dollars owed the U. S. Maritime Commission: Representative Taber; E. A. Craacke, CPA, of Haskins & Sells, New York; and Vice Adm. W. W. Smith, Chairman, R. S. McKeough, Commissioner, C. A. McDaniel, and E. E. White, all of the U. S. Maritime Commission.

VETERANS

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee continued hearings on the proposed curtailment of veterans' hospital construction program with Dr. John Alsever and Dr. Dale Cameron, both of the U. S. Public Health Service, indicating their part in providing hospitalization for veterans. Four representatives in behalf of the Disabled American Veterans—Charles E. Foster, Quintus E. Camp, Cicero F. Hogan, and Bernard Southard—testified against any cut-backs. Hearings continue Tuesday.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Monday, March 14, at 12 o'clock noon.

Committee Meetings

TAFT-HARTLEY REPEAL

Committee on Education and Labor: The Kelley subcommittee, meeting in morning, afternoon, and night sessions, heard the testimony of the following witnesses at its hearings on H. R. 2032, to repeal the Labor-Management Relations Act of 1947; P. C. Turner, Food Producers Council; J. T. Sanders, the National Grange; James W. Haley, National Coal Association, accompanied by Joseph E. Moody, president, Southern Coal Producers Association; Gerard D. Reilly, Printing Industry of America, Inc.; J. Paul Keefe, Shipbuilders Council of America; Arthur L. Winn, Jr., National Independent Meat Packers Association; James O. Monroe, publisher, Collinsville (Ill.) Herald; George Copeland, Hart & Cooley, Holland, Mich.; and Stephen F. Dunn, Grand Rapids, Mich. Hearings will continue on Monday morning.

The list of witnesses testifying at Friday night's hearing on this bill is as follows: R. Grunsky, California Retail Trades Association; Don Morgan, Peoria, Ill.; E. M. Cushing, U. S. Rubber Co.; W. J. During, Precision Castings Co.; Seward N. French, Crucible Steel Co. of America; and Leland Hazard, Pittsburgh Plate Glass Co.

IRRIGATION

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation held executive consideration of H. R. 1770, amending the Reclamation Projects Act of 1939, relating to revising provisions regarding repayment contracts, short-term contracts to furnish water for irrigation, etc. Took no final action on the bill, and will continue with it on Monday morning.

Monday, March 14, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate continued debate on motion to consider cloture amendment.
House voted down D. C. sales-tax bill.
Boyd nomination to Bureau of Mines approved by Senate group.
Senate groups approved equal-rights-amendment bill, private bills, judiciary nominations, and certain provisions of the rent-control bill.

Senate

Chamber Action

Cloture Rule: Senate continued debate on motion to take up S. Res. 15, to amend the cloture rule.

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Committee Meetings

RENT CONTROL

Committee on Banking and Currency: Subcommittee on Housing and Rents worked in executive session on the preparation of a bill on extension of rent control. Today the subcommittee reached agreement on:

(1) Certain recontrol of permanent residences and hotels, with a roll-back on rents to October 31, 1948;

(2) Authorizing Expediter to recontrol trailer camps used for permanent residences under certain conditions, upon recommendation of local board;

(3) That part of House bill providing for help in each rental area to assist the landlords in knowing what their rights are for rental adjustment (carried in House bill on p. 30, lines 10–20);

(4) That all apartments renting for $290 a month or more would be classed as luxury apartments when used by single family, with the Expediter empowered to lower that figure in areas where he determines that luxury apartments are available at a lower figure (language was virtually agreed to and placed in record);

(5) Authorizing Expediter to file suit in behalf of tenants for triple damages in event of violation; and

(6) Empowering Expediter to recontrol decontrolled areas upon recommendations of board.

Discussed inclusion of D. C. rent control in the bill, and the duration of act. Subcommittee continues tomorrow.

NOMINATION

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Committee, in executive session, by vote of 10 to 1, agreed to report favorably the nomination of James Boyd to be Director of the Bureau of Mines.

EQUAL RIGHTS, NOMINATIONS, CLAIMS, AND IMMIGRATION

Committee on the Judiciary: In executive session, by voice vote, the committee ordered reported S. J. Res. 25, to amend the Constitution relative to equal rights for men and women.

It voted to report five U. S. attorney nominations, in the States of New York, Massachusetts, Michigan, Iowa, and Wyoming; two Hawaiian judgeships (Edward A. Towse and J. Frank McLaughlin); one U. S. marshal; and the nomination of Alexander Campbell to be Assistant Attorney General.

Seven private claims bills were voted reported (S. 40, 41, 165, 191, 749, 937, and H. R. 1870). Two private immigration bills were voted out (S. 850 and 981). The committee agreed to introduce and report two original concurrent resolutions on deportation referral cases.

S. J. Res. 12, authorizing the President to proclaim the week in which June 6, 1949, occurs as Patrick Henry Week.

OVERTIME COMPENSATION

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee concluded hearings on H. R. 858 and S. 336, to clarify the overtime compensation provisions of the Fair Labor Standards Act as applied in the longshore, stevedoring, building, and construction industries, after receiving testimony from Herbert Resner, counsel for the International Longshoremen's and Warehousemen's Union, CIO, in opposition to any retroactive provision in H. R. 858. If the bill is reported out with such a retroactive provision, his organization, he said, would oppose the bill, but, if reported without such a provision, his organization would not oppose it. Walter H. Maloney, representing National Federation of American Shipping, Inc., continued his testimony in support of "H. R. 858 and urge your committee to report favorably thereon" and "that the provisions of H. R. 858 be made retroactive * * *."

POSTAL RATES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Committee heard Postmaster General Jesse M. Donaldson discuss postal service and postal rates, giving an over-all financial picture of the Post Office Department as a preliminary statement to opening hearings on postal rates. Subcommittee opens hearings on S. 1103, to readjust postal rates, beginning March 16 and continuing through April 22.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Sixteen public bills, H. R. 3509–3524; twelve private bills, H. R. 3525–3536; and three resolutions, H. J. Res. 192, and H. Res. 148 and 149, were introduced.

Pages 2421, 2460

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. Res. 144, to pay a gratuity to the heir of a recently deceased House employee (H. Rept. 258);

H. R. 1579, to amend the Printing Act of 1895, relative to the printing of extra copies of congressional documents and hearings (H. Rept. 259);

H. Res. 148, providing for consideration of and 4 hours of general debate on H. R. 1437, to authorize the composition of the Army of the United States and the Air Force (H. Rept. 260);

H. Res. 137, authorizing the Committee on the Judiciary to conduct studies and investigations relating to matters within its jurisdiction (H. Rept. 261);

H. R. 1357, to establish the St. Croix Island National Monument in Maine (H. Rept. 262); and

H. Res. 112, authorizing the Committee on Agriculture to make investigations into any matter within its jurisdiction (H. Rept. 263).

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Death Gratuity: Adopted H. Res. 144, authorizing payment to the sister of a recently deceased House employee of 6 months' salary and $250 to defray funeral expenses.

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Congressional Printing: Passed H. R. 1579, to amend the printing act to allow the printing of extra copies of congressional hearings and other documents to the amount of $1,200 (formerly $500), by simple resolution.

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D. C. Sales Tax: After 2 hours of general debate on H. R. 3347, a bill to provide additional revenue for the District of Columbia, the measure was read for amendments and several clarifying amendments were adopted. After rejecting a motion to recommit, by 181 nays to 163 yeas, the sales tax bill was voted down by 166 yeas to 176 nays.

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Committee Meetings

FARM PRICE SUPPORTS

Committee on Agriculture: Carroll Hunter, Solicitor, Department of Agriculture, and Dr. Oscar Stine, Bureau of Agricultural Economics, were again questioned by members of the Pace special subcommittee with regard to the provision of the Agricultural Act of 1948 as it relates to the Commodity Credit Corporation's operation to support the price of any nonbasic agricultural commodity, other than Irish potatoes, which are so perishable in nature as not to be reasonably storable without excessive loss or cost. Mr. Hunter was particularly questioned with regard to whether or not, under the provisions of the present act, any program was available for livestock, other than such funds as might be available under section 32, Public Law 320, Seventy-fourth Congress. Mr. Hunter stated that the CCC funds might properly be used to support the price of livestock through supporting the price of the storable products of livestock, and also to the extent that livestock itself might be stored in such a manner as to protect the program. He was also questioned concerning his interpretation of the act of 1948 with regard to the sale of commodities by the CCC. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

MILITARY JUSTICE—SERVICE PAY

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee No. 1 resumed hearings on H. R. 2498, military-justice bill, and heard the following witnesses: Joseph A. Clorety, Jr., national vice president, American Veterans Committee; Paul Wolman, Veterans of Foreign Wars; Richard L. Tedrow, former member of the Ballantine Committee on Naval Justice; and John Oliver, legislative counsel, Reserve Officers Association. Hearings will continue at a later date.

Subcommittee No. 2 resumed hearings on H. R. 2553, armed services pay bill, and heard the following witnesses: Maj. Gen. John E. Dahlquist, General Staff, U. S. Army; Vice Adm. W. R. Fechteler, Deputy Chief of Naval Operations; and John L. Hoen, executive secretary, Hook Commission. Hearings will continue tomorrow after full committee's discussion of the naval petroleum reserve bill.

TAFT-HARTLEY REPEAL

Committee on Education and Labor: Kelley subcommittee at the hearings on H. R. 2033, a bill to repeal the Labor-Management Relations Act of 1947, heard the following witnesses: Harvey W. Brown, international president, International Association of Machinists; Don Mahon, executive president, Confederated Unions of

America, and president, National Brotherhood of Packinghouse Workers; Carl Brown, president, Foreman's Association of America; Joseph A. Beirne, president, Communications Workers of America; John M. Brumbaugh, representing Eastern Conference Committee of Industrial Engineers Organizations; Dr. H. M. Griffiths, National Economic Council; and Joseph A. Clorety, Jr., national vice president, American Veterans Committee. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

ECONOMIC COOPERATION ACT

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Concluded hearings on H. R. 2362, to amend the Economic Cooperation Act of 1948. The last witnesses to be heard were Paul H. Lacques, representing the Association of Marine Underwriters of the United States, and Robert E. Rodes, representing the American Trade Association of Morocco. The committee will meet in executive session tomorrow morning to start marking up the bill.

BANKRUPTCY

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 2 began hearings on H. R. 272 and 2691, to amend the Bankruptcy Act (mostly sec. 60, definition of a transfer to be deemed a preference, etc., and sec. 70 (i), prescribing recordation of assignments of accounts receivable), and heard the following witnesses: Milton P. Kupfer, chairman, special committee on the revision of section 60 (a) of the Bankruptcy Act, American Bar Association, New York City; Prof. John Hanna, School of Law, Columbia University, New York City; J. Francis Ireton, Heaton, Mules & Ireton, Baltimore, Md.; Benjamin Wham, chairman, section of corporation, banking, and commercial law, American Bar Association, Chicago, Ill.; Thomas W. Rogers, executive vice president, American Finance Conference, Chicago, Ill.; and Clarence O. Holten, Minnesota Association of Sales Finance Companies, Minneapolis, Minn. Hearings will continue on Wednesday.

POSTAL RATES—SURVIVORS' BENEFITS

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Continued with consideration of H. R. 2945, to increase certain postal rates, and heard the testimony of the following witnesses: Curt Teich, Jr., president, Curt Teich & Co., Inc., Chicago, Ill., representing the post-card industry; Josh L. Horne, chairman, postal committee, and Elisha Hanson, general counsel, American Newspaper Publishers' Association; Charles McD. Puckette, general manager, the Chattanooga Times, representing the Southern Newspaper Publishers' Association; William N. Hardy, manager, Pennsylvania Newspaper Publishers' Association, Harrisburg, Pa.; Rev. Paul Bussard, representing the Catholic Press Association of the United States, Inc., St. Paul, Minn.; John Ribble, representing the Westminster Press, Presbyterian Church, Philadelphia, Pa.; and Dr. Daniel A. Poling, editor of the Christian Herald Magazine, New York City. Hearings will continue on Wednesday.

The Miller (Calif.) subcommittee approved for reporting to the full committee H. R. 2944, providing survivorship benefits for widows or widowers of persons retiring under the Civil Service Retirement Act of 1930.

IRRIGATION—VIRGIN ISLANDS

Committee on Public Lands: Ordered reported to the House, with amendments, H. R. 1770, amending the Reclamation Projects Act of 1939, relating to revising provisions regarding repayment contracts, short-term contracts to furnish water for irrigation, etc.

The Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation besides approving H. R. 1770, reported above by the full committee, also considered H. R. 2325, relative to the Upper Colorado River Compact, and heard Judge Clifford H. Stone, Colorado State commissioner, speak on behalf of the compact bill.

Subcommittee on Territorial and Insular Possessions approved for reporting to the full committee, with amendments, H. R. 2988, to provide for a Resident Commissioner from the Virgin Islands. Also considered H. R. 2989, to incorporate the Virgin Islands Corporation, and heard the following witnesses: Edgar G. Brown, director, National Negro Council, who testified in favor of both bills; W. L. Ellis, assistant to Comptroller General, and John Fenton and Robert Brumagin, both of the GAO, who spoke on proposed amendments to H. R. 2989; Norman S. Olson, President, Virgin Islands Company, in favor of H. R. 2989; and Harold Seidman, Bureau of the Budget, who spoke on proposed amendments. Will meet again Wednesday morning, in executive session on this bill.

RIVERS AND HARBORS

Committee on Public Works: Subcommittee on Rivers and Harbors considered various resolutions but took no action thereon. Will meet again Thursday morning on river and harbor resolutions.

SOCIAL SECURITY

Committee on Ways and Means: At the hearings on H. R. 2892, to amend the Social Security Act to enable States to establish more adequate public-welfare programs, the following Members of Congress testified: Representatives Angell, Edwin A. Hall, McGregor, Secrest, Walsh, Withrow, and White of Idaho. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

Joint Committee Meetings

ATOMIC ENERGY

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: The following officials of the Atomic Energy Commission met in executive session with the committee: David E. Lilienthal, Chairman; Robert F. Bacher; Sumner T. Pike; Carroll L. Wilson, General Manager; Carleton Shugg, Deputy General Manager; Joseph Volpe, Deputy General Counsel; and Lawrence R. Hafstad, Director, Division of Reactor Development.

PAPER CONTRACT AWARDS

Joint Committee on Printing: Committee awarded contracts for 91 lots of paper, totaling 24,075,000 pounds, for the quarterly period beginning April 1, 1949. The lots on which no bids were received and the lot on which no award was recommended total 1,030,000 pounds, or approximately 4.1 percent of the entire schedule. In other words, there was approximately 95.9 percent coverage on the schedule. This is the largest coverage obtained in any quarter since the war.

This quarter also marked the continuation of a paper price decline which began a year ago. The value of the schedule just approved, based on current contract prices, amounts to $2,510,292, while the same schedule based on new prices is $2,367,683. This is a decrease of $142,609, or 5.7 percent.

Tuesday, March 15, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

By 78 to 0, the Senate agreed to take up resolution to amend cloture rule.
House passed rent-control bill.
By 7 to 6, Senate group tabled Wallgren nomination to NSRB.

Senate

Chamber Action

Bill Referred: One House-passed bill was referred to appropriate committee. Page 2462

Cloture Rule: By a vote of 78 to 0, the Senate agreed to take up S. Res. 15, to amend the cloture rule to extend its application to include any measure, motion, or other matter pending before the Senate or unfinished business.

Before recessing a substitute amendment to the resolution was offered by 52 Senators; it proposes to extend the application of cloture rule to include any measure, motion, or other matter pending before the Senate, but to invoke the rule would require a two-thirds constitutional majority of the Senators, and the rule could not be applied to motions or resolutions proposing to change the rules of the Senate, and under Rule VIII debate would be in order on motions to take up proposed amendments to the rules. Pages 2462–2510

Committee Meetings

CCC CHARTER

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Committee met again in executive session to continue its work on preparation for reporting of S. 900, to amend comprehensively the CCC Charter Act. It will meet again at a later date on the call of the Chair.

NOMINATION

Committee on Armed Services: By a vote of 7 to 6, the committee tabled the nomination of Mon C. Wallgren to be Chairman of the National Security Resources Board, the following resolution having been agreed to:

Committee has found no evidence reflecting on the loyalty to his country of the nominee, Senator Mon C. Wallgren, to be Chairman of the National Security Resources Board. We believe him to be a loyal, patriotic citizen. Committee found no evidence to support any allegations that he was lacking in integrity. A majority of the committee felt that a man of wider economic and industrial experience and competency should be Chairman of the National Security Resources Board.

Committee agreed to report favorably three Army nominations.

IMPORT-EXPORT BANK BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Committee on Banking and Currency: Subcommittee met in executive session to consider the nomination of Hawthorne Arey to be a member of the Board of Directors of the Import-Export Bank, but did not act on approving it. It will meet at a later date to consider it further.

NOMINATIONS, AND PROTESTS AGAINST TREATMENT OF RELIGIOUS OFFICIALS

Committee on Foreign Relations: In executive session, the committee approved the nomination of James Grover McDonald to be Ambassador to Israel, Edward R. Dudley to be Ambassador to Liberia, and the nominations of five persons to be members of the U. S. Advisory Commission on Information.

The committee worked on a proposed draft of a resolution of protest against the treatment of Cardinal Mind-

szenty and other religious officials in Hungary and Bulgaria. It will continue on this at a later date.

NONSCHEDULED AIR CARRIERS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Committee met in executive session with the Civil Aeronautics Board to discuss regulation of nonscheduled air carriers, but made no announcement of action taken.

VETERANS

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Continuing hearings on the proposed curtailment of the veterans' hospital construction program recommended by the President in his budget message, the subcommittee heard Joseph Clorety, Jr., AVC, and Fred E. McMamara, budget examiner of the Bureau of the Budget, express their views on the program. Hearings continue tomorrow.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Twenty-seven public bills, H. R. 3537–3563; seven private bills, H. R. 3564–3570; and six resolutions, H. Con. Res. 48–51, and H. Res. 150 and 151, were introduced. Pages 2547, 2552–2553

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. R. 3150, to revise and repeal certain acts relating to rules of survey to permit departures from the system of rectangular survey when necessary on all public lands (H. Rept. 264);

S. 278, to prevent retroactive checkage of payments made to certain retired officers of the Naval Reserve (amended) (H. Rept. 265); and

S. 629, disposition of lost, abandoned, or unclaimed personal property (amended) (H. Rept. 266). Page 2552

Private Calendar: Passed the following bills on the call of the Private Calendar:

Cleared for the President: S. 315, 335, 592, 594, 632, 633, and 634.

Sent to the Senate without amendment: H. R. 580, 583, 585, 593, 594, 599, 602, 607, 609, 610, 611, 637, 650, 668, 679, 683, 735, 1137, 1700, 1791, 1993, 2233, 2463, 2704, 2922, 3077, 3234, and 3254.

Sent to the Senate, amended: H. R. 681, 682, 709, 731, 1010, 1101, 1116, 1276, 1591, 1794, 1876, 2231, 2812, 2853, and S. 90.

Passed over without prejudice: H. R. 738, 766, 1121, 1461, 2249, 2353, and S. 26 and 27. Pages 2512–2520

Rent Control: Voted, 260 yeas to 153 nays, to pass the committee substitute measure extending rent control for 15 months after rejecting, by 260 nays to 154 yeas, a move to recommit the bill and have it reported back with a 90-day extension.

A separate vote was demanded on three amendments, with the following results:

By a roll-call vote of 227 yeas to 188 nays, adopted the so-called Williams amendment, which provides for decontrolling areas when requested by a resolution from the duly elected local representatives of any State, county, or city.

Adopted amendment, offered by Mr. Brown of Georgia, which is designed to provide a reasonable return on the reasonable value of property rented, as far as practicable, by a division vote of 311 yeas to 47 nays.

Also adopted an amendment, offered by Mr. Rains, deleting from the bill authority to recontrol hotels which have heretofore been decontrolled, by a roll-call vote of 237 yeas to 175 nays. Pages 2520–2546

Pan American Day: Adopted H. Res. 151, setting Thursday, April 14, 1949, for the celebration of Pan American Day. Page 2547

Committee Appointment: The Speaker announced the appointment of Representative Heffernan to fill an existing vacancy in the membership on the Committee on Plans for Reconstruction of the Ceiling, Redecorations, and Other Improvements to the House Chamber. Page 2547

Committee Meetings

FARM PRICE SUPPORTS—FERTILIZER

Committee on Agriculture: Carroll Hunter, Solicitor, Department of Agriculture, read three opinions into the record relative to producers' eligibility for price supports on wheat, on the Steagall commodities, and on the basic commodities, which the committee had formerly requested. He spoke on the provision of the act (sec. 1, title I), which makes it mandatory to support

certain prices to cooperators at 90 percent of parity. Wheat was taken up in particular, with Mr. Hunter being questioned as to the reasons for the Department's purchasing wheat for the ECA at lower than the price-support level. The committee contended that if the price had been stabilized at 90 percent of parity, as provided in this section, there would have been no occasion for the Government purchasing for export to occupied areas at a lower price level. Mr. Hunter will continue at tomorrow's hearing.

Subcommittee on Fertilizer and Farm Machinery, considering the 1949 fertilizer situation, heard the testimony of the following witnesses: John Lynn, American Farm Bureau; Dr. George Scarseth, director of research, American Research Association; Herman Haag, Missouri Farmers' Association; Fred Harger, Michigan Farm Bureau Services, Inc.; G. W. Bunting, manager, Central Farmers Fertilizer Co., Chicago, Ill.; Frank W. Parker, Assistant Chief, Bureau of Plant Industry, Soils, and Agricultural Engineering, Beltsville, Md.; Lewis G. Porter, Department of Agriculture; Frederic Arden, Acting Chief, Chemicals Division, Office of Domestic Commerce, Department of Commerce; and Benton J. Strong, National Farmers Union. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

NAVAL OFFICERS—PERSONAL PROPERTY—PETROLEUM RESERVES

Committee on Armed Services: Ordered the following bills reported to the House:

S. 278, to prevent retroactive checkage of payments erroneously made to certain retired officers of the Naval Reserve; and

S. 629, to authorize disposition of certain lost, abandoned, or unclaimed personal property coming into the possession of the Departments of the Treasury, Army, Navy, or Air Force.

Also heard Commodore William G. Greenman, Department of the Navy, who testified at the committee's consideration of Naval petroleum reserves in connection with the 27B pool of the Buena Vista Naval Petroleum Reserve No. 2.

TAFT-HARTLEY REPEAL

Committee on Education and Labor: Witnesses testifying at the Kelley subcommittee's hearings on H. R. 2033, a bill to repeal the Labor-Management Relations Act of 1947, were Leonard B. Boudin, National Lawyers Guild; Charles C. Gabriel, United Telephone Organizations; Clarence Mitchell, National Association for the Advancement of Colored People; Ira Mosher, National Association of Manufacturers; and C. E. Wilson, General Electric Co. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

ECONOMIC COOPERATION ACT

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Met in executive session to begin marking up H. R. 2362, to amend the Economic Cooperation Act of 1948. Will continue on this bill again tomorrow.

ELECTIONS—ACCOUNTS

Committee on House Administration: The Subcommittees on Elections and Accounts held executive meetings.

PAY INCREASES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: The Murray subcommittee approved for reporting to the full committee, H. R. 1689, increasing rates of compensation for heads of executive departments and independent agencies.

COLORADO RIVER COMPACT

Committee on Public Lands: The Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation considered H. R. 2325, and identical bills, to grant the consent of the United States to the Upper Colorado River Basin Compact. Royce J. Tipton, consulting engineer, Colorado State Conservation Board, spoke on behalf of the proposed legislation. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

FLOOD CONTROL—RIVERS AND HARBORS

Committee on Public Works: In an executive meeting the committee adopted sundry review resolutions which had been approved by the Subcommittees on Flood Control and Rivers and Harbors.

SOCIAL SECURITY

Committee on Ways and Means: Continued hearings on H. R. 2892, to amend the Social Security Act to enable States to establish more adequate public-welfare programs. Heard testimony of the following officials of the Townsend Plan, Inc.: Capt. Robert C. Townsend, treasurer and general manager; Dr. Francis E. Townsend, president and founder; and John D. Elliott, statistician. Also heard testimony of Representatives Lane, Morris, and Davenport, and received the statement of Representative Van Zandt. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

Wednesday, March 16, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate debated cloture-rule amendment.

House debated Army-Air Force composition bill and cleared Palestine refugee relief for the President.

Senate subcommittee agreed on rent-control provisions.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 2554–2570

Bills Introduced: Thirty-seven bills and six resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1250 to S. 1286; S. J. Res. 61 to 64; S. Con. Res. 21 and 22. **Pages 2563–2565**

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

Final Report on Study of Federal Trade Commission Pricing Policies, pursuant to S. Res. 241 of the Eightieth Congress, and on S. 236 (amendment) and S. 1008 (S. Rept. 112);

Private Bills: S. 41, 165, 749, 850, 937, 981, H. R. 1870, S. 40, with amendment, S. 191, with amendment, S. Con. Res. 21 and 22 (S. Repts. 113 to 118, and 120 to 124, respectively);

S. J. Res. 12, authorizing the President to proclaim the week in which June 6, 1949, occurs as Patrick Henry Week (S. Rept. 119); and

S. 900, to amend comprehensively the CCC charter, with amendments (S. Rept. 125). **Pages 2563–2564**

Treaties: Senate received Convention With Belgium relating to double taxation (Exec. I), and texts of notes between U. S. and Canada relating to temporary emergency diversions of water for power purposes from Niagara River (Exec. J), both referred to Committee on Foreign Relations. **Pages 2555–2556**

Bills Referred: Forty-three House-passed bills were referred to appropriate committees. **Page 2566**

Cloture Rule: Senate continued debate on S. Res. 15, to amend the cloture rule. **Pages 2571–2613**

Nominations: Two civilian nominations were received, including that of Edward R. Dudley, of New York, to be Ambassador to Liberia. **Page 2613**

Confirmations: Senate confirmed 293 civilian nominations, including postmasters and appointments to Coast Guard, together with three Army promotions. **2613–2614**

Committee Meetings

NOMINATION

Committee on Armed Services: Committee heard Lester P. Barlow, an engineer formerly with the Glenn L. Martin plant in Baltimore, testify in opposition to the nomination of Louis Johnson to be Secretary of Defense. Following the hearing, the committee agreed that Mr. Barlow, in keeping with the provisions of the Legislative Reorganization Act of 1946, should submit his statement in opposition to the nomination in writing not later than March 21.

RENT CONTROL

Committee on Banking and Currency: Subcommittee on Housing and Rents, in executive session, concluded its work on the preparation of a bill on extension of rent control, agreeing upon the following recommendations to be made to the full committee:

(1) D. C. rent control not to be included in bill;

(2) Recontrol rentals which have been out of control for 2 years;

(3) A 5-percent across-the-board increase in rent ceilings, effective October 1, 1949, and every 6 months thereafter, but not to exceed a total of 15 percent;

(4) Exemptions to be permitted for hardship adjustments without regard to the 5-percent across-the-board increase;

(5) An extension for 15 months, or 12 months' rent control plus a 3 months' eviction control;

(6) The Governor of each State would be authorized to advise Expediter that adequate State rent-control law has been adopted and that Federal control would no longer be needed;

(7) To return control of evictions to Expediter with recommendation that tenant be afforded 60-day notice or 30 days after judgment of eviction;

(8) Criminal penalties as provided in S. 600;

(9) Representative groups of tenants or landlords would be permitted to request hearings from local advisory boards as to decontrol or general rent increases—failure to act in reasonable time would entitle petitioner to hearing by Expediter with right of appeal to Emergency Court of Appeals;

(10) That the definition of rent control contained in S. 888 be enacted; and

(11) That provisions of S. 600 on veterans' preference as to purchase or rent be written into law.

Full committee meets tomorrow to act on subcommittee's recommendations.

HOUSING IN ALASKA

Committee on Banking and Currency: Subcommittee on Housing and Rents held hearings on S. 851, to promote construction of housing in Alaska, receiving testimony in support of the bill from Senator Magnuson; R. C. Price, special assistant to the Secretary of Interior; Raymond M. Foley, Housing and Home Finance Administrator; and Walter L. Greene, Assistant Federal Housing Commissioner. Delegate Bartlett of Alaska introduced the following witnesses who also testified in support of the bill. Father Paul C. O'Connor, chairman, board of commissioners, and E. Glen Wilder, executive director, both of Alaska Housing Authority; and Kenneth J. Kadow, Director, Alaska Field Service, Department of Interior.

D. C. RENT CONTROL

Committee on the District of Columbia: Subcommittee on Public Utilities, Insurance, and Banking opened hearings on extension of rent control for the District of Columbia, receiving testimony from the following witnesses: Commissioners of the District; Vernon E. West, D. C. Corporation Counsel; Robert F. Cogswell, Rent Administrator for D. C.; Mrs. Louella M. Berg, the Altamont Apartment Tenants; Maj. Eugene M. Elliott, Westmoreland Cooperative Association; Frank E. Weakly, president, Hotel Association of Washington; Charles J. Bauer, Building Owners and Managers Association; Mrs. Anne Spector; Godfrey L. Munter, Washington Board of Trade; Stewart H. Robison, Home Realty Co.; Edmund J. Flynn, Washington Building; Mrs. L. M. Pyle, Washington; Raymond M. Taylor, president, Washington Real Estate Board; and Paul J. Miller, Washington Guest Housing Association. Hearings continue tomorrow.

VETERANS' HOSPITALS

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee continued hearings on the proposed curtailment of the veterans' hospital construction program recommended by the President in his budget message, receiving testimony from Representatives McDonough, Scudder, McKinnon, and Hinshaw, all of California, together with Lewis S. Sloneker, director of rehabilitation, American Legion, Department of California.

In behalf of the State of Florida the following testified: Senator Holland, Representatives Peterson, Bennett, Sikes, Smathers, Herlong, and Rogers, together with the following spokesmen from the State of Florida: Meade Wilson, national executive committeeman of American Legion; Jess G. Davis, past department commander of American Legion, Department of Florida; Melvin T. Dixon, assistant State service officer; Kenneth D. Dorcaster, department service officer, Order of the Purple Heart, Florida Department; M. D. Wade, Marine Corps League, VFW, Department of Florida; Drs. W. C. Thomas and Edwin H. Andrews, Gainesville; Edmund Martin, American Legion, Department of Florida; Raney Cawthon, Tallahassee Chamber of Commerce; and Malcolm Yancey, Tallahassee. Hearings continue tomorrow.

POSTAL RATES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Postal Subcommittee held hearings on S. 1103, to readjust postal rates, with William C. Armbrust, president, United National Association of Post Office Clerks, and Floyd Bishop, president, National League of District Postmasters, testifying in support of the bill, and the following witnesses representing private post-card manufacturers (E. C. Cropp Co., Milwaukee; Curt Teich & Co., Inc., Chicago; Colour Picture Publishers, Inc., Boston; and Dexter Press, Pearl River, N. Y.) testifying in opposition to the bill: Allan J. Tichnor, F. J. Schmidt, and Walter Teich. Hearings continue Friday.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Twenty-three public bills, H. R. 3571–3593; twelve private bills, H. R. 3594–3605; and three resolutions, H. Res. 152–154, were introduced. **Pages 2615, 2657–2658**

Bills Reported: One report was made, as follows: H. R. 3190, Fair Labor Standards amendments of 1949 (H. Rept. 267). **Page 2657**

Committee Elections: Adopted H. Res. 152, electing Representative Heller, of the Seventh Congressional District of New York, to membership on the Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments.

Also adopted H. Res. 153, electing Representative Burleson, of the Seventeenth Congressional District of Texas, to membership on the Committee on Foreign Affairs. **Page 2615**

Olympic Games: Adopted S. J. Res. 56, extending an invitation to hold the 1956 Olympic games at Detroit, Mich. H. J. Res. 178 was tabled, and the Senate measure passed in lieu thereof, thus clearing the measure for the White House. **Page 2615**

Investigatory Resolutions: The following resolutions were adopted by the House:

H. Res. 107, to authorize the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce to make investigations into any matter within its jurisdiction, and for other purposes;

H. Res. 112, to authorize the Committee on Agriculture to make investigations into any matter within its jurisdiction, and for other purposes; and

H. Res. 137, authorizing the Committee on the Judiciary to conduct studies and investigations relating to matters within its jurisdiction. Pages 2620–2626

Army and Air Force: After adopting H. Res. 148, the rule for consideration of H. R. 1437, to authorize the composition of the Army of the United States and the Air Force of the United States, the committee substitute amendment was considered and agreed to. Final disposition of the measure was postponed until Tuesday.

Pages 2626–2647

Palestine Refugees: Adopted and thereby cleared for the President S. J. Res. 36, authorizing a special contribution of $16,000,000 by the United States to the United Nations for the relief of approximately 500,000 Arab and 7,000 Jewish refugees. H. Res. 139, the rule for consideration of S. J. Res. 36, was previously adopted.

Pages 2647–2655

Committee Meetings

FARM PRICE SUPPORTS—FERTILIZER

Committee on Agriculture: The Pace special subcommittee considering revisions to the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1948 (Aiken bill), had Carroll Hunter, Solicitor, Department of Agriculture, and William McArthur, Assistant Director, Grain Branch, Production and Marketing Administration, as its witnesses. The discussion of farm price-support programs was continued along with conditions upon which producers are eligible, and the advisability of extending the time during which loans on commodities might be made in order to assist farmers in connection with their taxes. The committee also pursued the question of Government purchases under different provisions of law, chiefly for ECA, and its effect on the price-support program. It also inquired as to any limitation there might be on the reimportation of goods made from the cheap cotton, for instance, and whether or not there was any protection for the domestic mills. Various sections of Public Law 897, Eightieth Congress, were discussed. Hearings will be continued Friday.

Subcommittee on Fertilizer and Farm Machinery continued on the subject of the national fertilizer situation. The testimony of all the witnesses appearing in behalf of the various companies indicated that the fertilizer outlook for 1949–50 was brighter in that civilian production of the basic fertilizer materials will be larger than last year. Frederic Arden, Department of Commerce, Acting Chief of the Chemicals Division of the Office of Domestic Commerce, furnished the committee with information regarding nitrogenous fertilizer materials. He discussed the export program under Public Law 606, Eightieth Congress, and stated that for the year 1949 the Government export program calls for the export from the U. S. of 61,287 tons of nitrogen. He also discussed the distribution of Army anhydrous ammonia pursuant to Public Law 793, Eightieth Congress. Other witnesses testifying were: William T. Hart, Department of Commerce; F. T. Techter, vice president, Allied Chemical & Dye Corp.; Joe S. Culpepper, assistant general sales manager, Spencer Chemical Co.; F. S. Washburn, director, agricultural chemicals division, American Cyanamid Co.; Thomas S. Nichols, president, Mathieson Chemical Corp., introducing S. L. Nevins, a representative of the corporation, who also testified; B. K. Read, sales manager, western division, Shell chemical division, Shell Union Oil Corp.; and J. C. Jopling, vice president, Phillips Chemical Co., Bartlesville, Okla. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

MILITARY JUSTICE—PAY BILL—ARMORY CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee No. 1 resumed hearings on H. R. 2498, military justice bill, and heard the following witnesses: William A. Roberts, AMVETS; Maj. Gen. Raymond Fleming and Maj. Rolla C. Van Kirk, both of the National Guard Bureau, Department of the Army; and Col. Frederick Bernays Weiner, JAG Reserve. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

Subcommittee No. 2 continued consideration of H. R. 2553, armed services pay bill, and heard testimony of Maj. Gen. John E. Dahlquist, Department of the Army; Maj. Gen. R. E. Nugent, Department of the Air Force; and Vice Adm. William M. Fechteler, Department of the Navy. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

Subcommittee No. 3 opened hearings on H. R. 2824, to provide training facilities for Reserve components of the National Military Establishment. Secretary of the Army Kenneth C. Royall and Maj. Gen. Harold R. Bull, Department of the Army, were today's witnesses. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

TAFT-HARTLEY REPEAL

Committee on Education and Labor: Kelley subcommittee continued its hearings on H. R. 2032, a bill to repeal the Labor-Management Relations Act of 1947, and received testimony from William Green, president, A. F. of L.; Woodruff Randolph, president, International Typographical Union; W. J. Van Buren, secretary, National Organization Masters, Mates, and Pilots of America; Stanley W. Oliver, president, International Federation of Technical Engineers, Architects, and Draftsmen's Unions; H. L. Mitchel, president, National Farm Labor Union; Rex Daggett, International Brotherhood of Paper Makers; and Theodore E. Brown, director of research, Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters, A. F. of L. Hearings will continue at a later date.

APPROPRIATIONS CLAIMS—SUBSISTENCE ALLOWANCES

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Ordered reported to the House H. R. 3549, permitting the Comptroller General to pay claims chargeable against lapsed appropriations and to provide for the return of unexpended balances of such appropriations to the surplus fund.

The committee also considered H. R. 3005, to regulate subsistence expenses and mileage allowances of civilian officers and employees of the Government, and announced that public hearings will start on this bill Friday, March 18.

ECONOMIC COOPERATION ACT

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Continued in executive session to mark up H. R. 2362, to amend the Economic Cooperation Act of 1948. Will continue on this bill again tomorrow.

BANKRUPTCY—TORT CLAIMS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 2 continued hearings on H. R. 272 and H. R. 2691, to amend the Bankruptcy Act, and heard the following witnesses: Prof. James A. MacLachlan, law school, Harvard University; Walter D. Yankauer, executive vice president, Mill Factors Corp., and Alfred N. Heuston, representing Bankers Trust Co., both of New York City. Hearings will be continued Friday.

Subcommittee No. 3 agreed to report favorably to the full committee H. R. 779, extending the time from 1 to 2 years for filing claims under the Federal Tort Claims Act; also agreed to report favorably nine private claims bills. One private claim bill will be reported adversely.

FISH AND WILDLIFE

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: The Subcommittee on Fisheries and Wildlife Conservation approved the following bills for reporting to the full committee:

H. R. 1140, amended, to protect and conserve Alaska salmon fisheries. Speaking on this bill were E. L. Bartlett, Delegate from Alaska; Donald Channey, Chief Counsel, Fish and Wildlife Service; and Seton Thompson, Chief, Alaska Fisheries Division, both of the Department of the Interior.

H. R. 1222, to authorize the exchange of certain fish hatcheries within the State of Washington. Representative Jackson of Washington testified on this bill.

H. R. 3420, to authorize the exchange of wildlife refuge land in the State of Washington. Representative Jackson also spoke on this bill along with Mr. Channey of the Fish and Wildlife Service.

H. Res. 147, amended, requesting the Secretary of State to investigate domestic fishing industry. Representative Thompson spoke on this resolution.

POSTAL RATES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Continued hearings on H. R. 2945, to increase certain postal rates, and heard the following witnesses: Walter D. Fuller, president, Curtis Publishing Co., Philadelphia, and chairman of the board of National Association of Magazine Publishers, Inc., accompanied by Allan L. Grammar, chairman of general operations committee, National Association of Magazine Publishers; E. T. Meredith, Meredith Publishing Co., Des Moines, Iowa; Robert Reed, editor, Country Gentleman, and chairman of the committee of agricultural editors; Leslie A. Watt, president, Agricultural Publishers Association, St. Paul, Minn.; M. S. Prescott, publisher, Holstein-Friesian World, Lacona, N. Y.; Ralph W. Anderson, publisher, Farm Bureau Spokesman, Grundy Center, Iowa; and A. E. Winger, president, Crowell-Collier, New York City. Hearings will continue on Friday.

VIRGIN ISLANDS—COLORADO RIVER BASIN COMPACT

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Territorial and Insular Possessions ordered reported to the full committee, as amended, H. R. 2989, to incorporate the Virgin Islands Corporation. Speaking in favor of the bill were Irwin W. Silverman, Chief Counsel, Division of Territories, Department of the Interior; William Ellis, assistant to Comptroller General, and Harold Seidman, Chief Administrative Analyst, Bureau of the Budget. Adjourned subject to the call of the Chair.

The Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation continued consideration of H. R. 2325, and identical bills, to grant the consent of the United States to the Upper Colorado River Basin Compact. Testifying favorably on the legislation were Royce Tipton, consulting engineer for the State of Colorado, and Jean S. Breitenstein, counsel to the Colorado commissioner. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

FEDERAL BUILDINGS

Committee on Public Works: Continued hearings on H. R. 3019, acquisition of certain lands in and outside of the District of Columbia for Federal building projects, and heard testimony of Bryce P. Holcombe and William J. Gallagher, legislative representatives, Brotherhood of Painters, Decorators, and Paper Hangers of America, A. F. of L. This bill will be considered tomorrow morning in an executive session.

SOCIAL SECURITY

Committee on Ways and Means: Testifying at today's hearings on H. R. 2892, to amend the Social Security

Act to enable States to establish more adequate public-welfare programs, were Representatives Morris, Burdick, and Murdock. Mr. Murdock's testimony treated on social-security benefits for Indian wards. Other witnesses were: Charles C. O'Donnell, president, Massachusetts Society for Old Age Pensions; William H. McMasters, president, National Old Age Pensions, Inc., Boston, Mass.; John J. Tobin, attorney representing Fraternal Order of Eagles, old-age pension committee; Thomas E. Boorde, executive secretary, General Welfare Federation of America, Washington, D. C.; and Jack B. Fahey, executive director, American Parents Committee. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

Joint Committee Meetings

ATOMIC ENERGY

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Committee met in executive session with the following members of the Military Liaison Committee: Maj. Gen. Kenneth D. Nichols, USA; Col. John H. Hinds, USA; Rear Adm. Ralph A. Ofstie; and Maj. Gen. David M. Schlatter, U. S. Air Force. This is the first time in 2 years that the committee has met with members of the Military Liaison Committee; the purpose was to acquaint the joint committee with the members, and with their functions.

Thursday, March 17, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

By voice vote, Senate adopted resolution to amend cloture rule.

Senate committees voted to report bills on rent-control extension, and radar system.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 2658–2661

Bills Introduced: Ten bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1287 to S. 1296; S. J. Res. 65; and S. Res. 89. Page 2661

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. R. 2546, to establish radar air-warning and control system (S. Rept. 126); and

H. R. 1731, to extend rent control, with an amendment (S. Rept. 127). Pages 2661, 2688

Appointments to Commissions and Joint Committees: The Presiding Officer of the Senate named the following Senators to the respective commissions and joint committees:

Special Committee on Reconstruction of Senate Roof and Skylights: Senators Chavez and Kem.

Senate Office Building Commission: Senators Chavez and Malone.

Board of Visitors to Military Academy: Senators Hill, Robertson, and Gurney.

Board of Visitors to Naval Academy: Senators Maybank, Kilgore, and Saltonstall.

Board of Visitors to Coast Guard Academy: Senator Myers.

Board of Visitors to Merchant Marine Academy: Senator McFarland.

Director for the Columbia Institute for Deaf: Senator Frear.

Director for Columbia Hospital: Senator Douglas.

Washington and Lee Bicentennial Commission: Senator Smith of New Jersey.

National Capital Sesquicentennial Commission: Senators McGrath and Smith of Maine.

Migratory Bird Conservation Commission: Senator Baldwin.

U. S. Territorial Expansion Memorial Commission: Senator Anderson. Pages 2659–2660

Cotton Acreage: Senate adopted conference report on H. R. 128, excluding cotton planted in 1949 from use in computing cotton-acreage allotments for any subsequent year. Pages 2661–2662

Cloture Rule: By voice vote, the Senate adopted S. Res. 15, to amend the cloture rule, after substituting the Wherry amendment for all of the language of the resolution, by a vote of 63 yeas to 23 nays. As passed, the resolution extends the application of the cloture rule to include any measure, motion, or other matter pending before the Senate, but to invoke the rule would require a two-thirds constitutional majority of the Senators, and the rule could not be applied to motions or resolutions proposing to change the rules of the Senate, and under rule VIII unlimited debate would be in order on motions to take up proposed amendments to the rules, but would apply if made unfinished business. A motion to reconsider the resolution was laid on the table.

Prior to the above action, the Senate rejected the following amendments: Donnell amendment on the application of cloture to the Journal and amendments thereto, by 14 yeas to 72 nays; Baldwin amendment, providing a two-thirds majority cloture where rules are not concerned, by vote of 29 yeas to 57 nays; Myers amendment to provide for cloture by constitutional majority, by 69 yeas to 17 nays; and the Morse amendment, providing for cloture by a simple majority, by 7 yeas to 80 nays. Pages 2719–2720, 2722–2744

Nominations: A total of 316 nominations were received, of which 32 were Air Force and 284 Army. Pages 2725–2726

Confirmations: Senate confirmed 18 civilian nominations, including several in the diplomatic service. Page 2726

Committee Meetings

FIRST DEFICIENCY APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Committee met in executive session to consider for reporting H. R. 2632, first deficiency appropriations for 1949; but did not conclude its work. It continues tomorrow.

RADAR—GUIDED MISSILES

Committee on Armed Services: In executive session, committee ordered reported without amendment H. R. 2546, to establish radar air warning and control system, after receiving testimony from Maj. Gen. Gordon P. Saville.

Dr. Karl T. Compton, Brig. Gen. William L. Richardson, and Rear Adm. D. V. Gallery testified on H. R. 1741, to establish a long-range guided-missiles proving ground, but the committee held over final action until a later date in order to obtain further information. Committee meets again on Monday.

RENT CONTROL

Committee on Banking and Currency: Committee, in executive session, agreed to report, with amendment, H. R. 1731, rent-control extension bill. As agreed to, the committee proposes to strike out all after the enacting clause of the House bill and substitute the recommendations agreed upon by the subcommittee (found at pages D118 and D124 with the following exceptions:

(1) any State by law may decontrol all or any part of that State from Federal control;

(2) houses decontrolled by virtue of 24 months' vacancy may be recontrolled only upon recommendations of advisory board;

(3) Federal rent control would expire in 12 months except that eviction controls would be continued for an additional 3 months, and a tenant could not be evicted during the 3 months' period merely for refusing to pay more than the allowed 5-percent increase permitted on April 1—he may be sued for that excess increase;

(4) decontrolled areas in States still under rent control may be recontrolled upon recommendations of local boards if new defense activities in the area require it;

(5) the provisions for automatic increase of rent ceilings were reworded but would embody the same intent; and

(6) when landlords would receive a hardship adjustment they must certify that they would continue to maintain the same services.

D. C. RENT CONTROL

Committee on the District of Columbia: Subcommittee on Public Utilities, Insurance, and Banking concluded its hearings on extension of rent control for the District of Columbia after hearing the following citizens of the District express their views on the subject: Mrs. Barbara M. Smith; George Papanicolas; J. M. DeW. Kyle II, president, Capitol Rooming and Boarding House Association; Mrs. Elizabeth Rowe; H. David, Thomas Circle Citizens Association; Kenneth Clark, Progressive Party; Virginia V. Finks; John V. Case; Charlotte Sillars, Women's Auxiliary, UPW; Paul Clohan, cooperative owner; H. K. Schollenberger, president, Twenty-Ninth Street Cooperatives; Brig. Gen. Edward W. Smith; E. M. Peterson; Jacob W. Block; Richard B. Posey; Lucille C. Brunner; Joseph H. Gerone, West End Citizens Association; Donald Nash; Miss Conedia Hill; W. J. Devine; and Florentin Loren.

VETERANS' HOSPITALS

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee continued hearings on proposed curtailment of the veterans' hospital construction program recommended by the President, receiving testimony from witnesses representing the States of Georgia and Illinois.

Spokesmen for the State of Georgia follow: Senator George; Representative Pace; Col. George B. Ijams, VFW; Quintus Camp, DAV; Evan Mathis, Citizens Bank of Americus, Ga.; S. S. Hudson, city engineer of Americus; J. W. Sheffield, merchant of Americus; C. Flannery Pope, VFW; Erle Cocke, Jr., State commander, American Legion; and C. Arthur Cheatham, State Department of Veterans Service.

Spokesmen for the State of Illinois include: Representatives Linehan, Buckley, Mack, O'Hara, Vursell, and McMullen; William R. McCauley and Lester Benston, American Legion, Department of Illinois; Lynn Cannon, Legion post in Decatur, Ill.; Col. George B. Ijams, VFW; Fay Ickes, representing Veterans Committee in Decatur; James E. Harriss, VFW; and A. C. Kohli, representing veterans in all union organizations in Decatur. Hearings continue tomorrow.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Ten public bills, H. R. 3606–3615; seven private bills, H. R. 3616–3622; and three resolutions, H. Res. 155–157, were introduced. Pages 2743–2744

Bill Reported: One report was made as follows: S. 271, to provide an additional judge for the middle district of Georgia (H. Rept. 268). Page 2743

President's Message: Heard message from the President transmitting the sixth quarterly report on United States military assistance to Greece and Turkey, covering the period from October 1 to December 1, 1948, which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs and ordered printed as a House document (H. Doc. No. 123). Page 2727

Program: By unanimous consent the House agreed to adjourn over until 12 o'clock Monday; also agreed to meet at 11 a. m. on Tuesday. Page 2727

St. Patrick's Day: Heard numerous Members speak in commemoration of St. Patrick.

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Committee Meetings

FERTILIZER

Committee on Agriculture: The special subcommittee on fertilizer and farm machinery had as its principal witness R. C. Jopling, vice president, Phillips Chemical Co., of Bartlesville, Okla., who explained that the Army fertilizer program, as authorized by Congress in 1947, under the Second Decontrol Act, was set up for the purpose of allowing the Department of the Army to produce fertilizer in Government-owned plants for the occupied countries; that it was contemplated that the Army would terminate its program by October 1, 1948. He stated further that the Army production in plants presently operated is now more than sufficient for the occupied countries; that had it not been for legislation increasing the scope of the Army fertilizer program, none of Phillips' cactus production would be required by the Army. He concluded by saying that his firm would supply during the fiscal year, under the 50-percent export program, 14,500 tons; under the 10-percent domestic program, 36,000 tons—a total of 50,500 tons. In his discourse on the proposed fertilizer program for fiscal 1949–50, he said that there is presently a critical need for fertilizer in this country, but despite this, domestic and foreign production is increasing rapidly; that export requirements for next year should be much less than last year; and that he believed the interest of agriculture could best be served by the fertilizer industry without the restrictions and complications of Government supervision, and that section 205 of Public Law 793 should be repealed. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

MILITARY JUSTICE—PAY BILL—ARMORY CONSTRUCTION

Committee on the Armed Services: Subcommittee No. 1, at its hearings on H. R. 2498, the military justice bill, heard the following witnesses: Frederick Bernays Weiner, JAG Reserve; Robert L'Heureaux, of the staff of the Senate Committee on Banking and Currency; and Representatives Ford and Denton. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

Subcommittee No. 2, considering H. R. 2553, the armed-services pay bill, heard the following witnesses testify: Maj. Gen. John E. Dahlquist, Department of the Army; Maj. Gen. R. E. Nugent, Department of the Air Force; and Vice Adm. William M. Fechteler, Department of the Navy. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

Subcommittee No. 3 continued hearings on H. R. 2824, to provide training facilities for the Reserve components of the National Military Establishment. Today's witnesses were Brig. Gen. Wendell Westover, Maj. Gen. Kenneth F. Cramer, and Col. William H. Abendroth, Department of the Army; Capt. R. N. McFarlane, U. S. Navy; and Brig. Gen. James B. Newman, Department of the Air Force. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

ALASKA HOUSING

Committee on Banking and Currency: Opened hearings on H. R. 2122, to promote the settlement and development of the public domain in Alaska by facilitating the construction of housing therein. The following witnesses testified: Delegate Bartlett; Assistant Secretary of the Interior Warne; Assistant FHA Commissioner Green; Raymond M. Foley, Administrator, Housing and Home Finance Agency; Rev. Paul J. O'Connor, S. J., chairman, and Glen Wilder, executive director, both of the Alaska Housing Authority; Kenneth Kadow, Director, Alaska Field Staff, Department of the Interior; all of whom spoke on behalf of the legislation.

ECONOMIC COOPERATION ACT

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Continued executive session on consideration of amendments to H. R. 2362, to amend the Economic Cooperation Act of 1948. Will meet again tomorrow on this bill.

DISTRICT JUDGE—TORT CLAIMS

Committee on the Judiciary: Ordered reported favorably to the House:

S. 271, to provide for appointment of an additional district judge for the middle district of Georgia;

H. R. 779, to extend from 1 to 2 years the period within which claims under the Federal Tort Claims Act may be submitted to the agencies or filed in the courts; and

Nine private claims measures. One private claims bill was tabled.

RETIREMENT AND SURVIVORSHIP BENEFITS

Committee on the Post Office and Civil Service: Ordered the following bills reported to the House:

H. R. 997, extending benefits of the Civil Service Retirement Act to employees who were voluntarily separated during the period from July 1, 1945, to July 1, 1947, after having rendered 25 years of service, but prior to attainment of the age 55; and

H. R. 2944, providing survivorship benefits for widows and widowers of persons retiring under the Civil Service Retirement Act.

President Harry B. Mitchell and Commissioners Frances B. Perkins and James Mitchell, of the Civil Service Commission, discussed problems relating to the Federal civil service, and the Hoover Commission's report on the service.

In an afternoon meeting the Miller (Calif.) subcommittee approved for reporting to the full committee H. R. 91, providing for a research and development program in the Post Office Department.

COLORADO RIVER COMPACT—NORTH DAKOTA INDIANS

Committee on Public Lands: The Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation further considered H. R. 2325, granting Federal consent to the Upper Colorado River Basin Compact. Continuing as witnesses, speaking on behalf of the program, were Jean S. Breitenstein, counsel to the Colorado commissioner, and Royce Tipton, Colorado State consulting engineer. Judge Fred Wilson, commissioner from New Mexico, also testified on the possibilities of the compact negotiation.

The Subcommittee on Indian Affairs heard the testimony of a delegation of Indians from the Standing Rock Reservation, N. Dak., who spoke relative to establishing a rehabilitation program for said tribe, along with other officials, all of whom testified in favor of the program. Appearing as witnesses were Representative Burdick; H. N. Clark, superintendent, Standing Rock Reservation; Josephine Kelly, chairman, tribal business council; John Gates, representative of tribe, and a livestock inspector; H. M. Critchfield, Office of Indian Affairs, Department of the Interior; and Chief Basil Two Bear, Ignatious Iron Road, and Rev. Percy Tibbetts, all tribal representatives.

FEDERAL BUILDINGS

Committee on Public Works: Held executive meeting for purpose of marking up H. R. 3019, to provide for acquisition of certain lands in and outside of the District of Columbia for Federal building projects. Will continue on same legislation tomorrow.

SOCIAL SECURITY

Committee on Ways and Means: The morning session of today's hearings on H. R. 2892, to amend the Social Security Act to enable States to establish more adequate public-welfare programs, had the following witnesses: Ernest R. Alexander, representing the Lions Club of North Carolina; and Sam Cathey, chairman, and Sam Alford, president, both representing the North Carolina State Association for the Blind. Representatives of the CIO were the afternoon witnesses. Appearing were James B. Carey, secretary-treasurer, CIO; Irving Abramson, CIO eastern area representative; Kenneth Kramer, health director, Textile Workers Union, New York City, who was accompanied by the following case workers: J. E. Stegall and C. L. Whitt, both of Spray, N. C., and Morris Tibett, Elisha A. McKinney, and George E. Lewie, all of Danville, Va. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

Joint Committee Meetings

ATOMIC ENERGY

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Committee met in executive session with Chairman Lilienthal and officials of the Atomic Energy Commission, together with representatives of the Military Liaison Committee, to discuss problems of national security relating to atomic energy.

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HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed 32 bills.

Senate committee voted to report Federal-aid-to-education and school-health-service bills.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 2744–2804

Bills Introduced: Twenty-two bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 1297 to S. 1318; and S. J. Res. 66. Page 2754

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

Adverse report on S. Res. 29, to create a Committee To Study Small Business (S. Rept. 128);

S. 851, to promote construction of housing in Alaska, with amendments (S. Rept. 129); and

S. 498, to increase pay of heads and assistant heads of executive departments and independent agencies, with amendments (S. Rept. 130). Page 2754

Bill Indefinitely Postponed: H. R. 1509, relief of city and county of San Francisco, was indefinitely postponed in view of the enactment of S. 198, a similar bill. Page 2758

Private Bill: House amendment to S. 90, private bill, was concurred in and thus cleared for the President. Page 2758

Smithsonian Institution: Senate passed H. J. Res. 89, electing Jerome C. Hunsaker to the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution. Page 2758

Farm Loans: Senate insisted on its amendments to and asked for a conference on H. R. 2101, to authorize Regional Agricultural Credit Corporation to make emergency loans to farmers. Chair appointed as conferees Senators Thomas of Oklahoma, Ellender, Anderson, Aiken, and Young. Pages 2765–2767

Calendar Bills Passed: On call of the calendar, 30 unobjected-to bills, of which 13 were private, were passed as follows:

Without amendment and cleared for President:

Defense Secretary: H. R. 2216, providing for an Under Secretary of Defense;

Marine Band: H. R. 2485, to authorize attendance of Marine Band at GAR Encampment at Indianapolis;

Radar system: H. R. 2546, to establish radar air-warning and control system; and

Private bill: One private bill, H. R. 1870.

With amendment, to be sent back to House:

Farm loans: H. R. 2101, to authorize Regional Agricultural Credit Corporation to make emergency loans to farmers.

Without amendment and cleared for House:

Colorado River: S. 790, to grant the consent of the U. S. to the Upper Colorado River Basin Compact;

ICC: S. 255, to amend section 205 of the Interstate Commerce Act relating to joint boards;

ICC: S. 256, an omnibus bill to amend the Interstate Commerce Act;

Science Foundation: S. 247, to establish the National Science Foundation;

Navy pay: S. 779, relating to pay and allowances of Navy officers appointed to permanent grades;

Forests: S. 979, to amend act of May 22, 1928, authorizing national survey of forest resources by increasing appropriations for that purpose;

Army base: S. 1219, authorizing Secretary of Army to convey a portion of the Charleston Army Base Terminal to the city of Charleston;

Canadian shipping: S. J. Res. 52, to authorize Canadian vessels to carry iron ore on the Great Lakes between the U. S. and Canadian ports during the 1949 season;

Veterans' hospital: S. 928, to name a hospital in Wilmington, Del., the William L. Nelson Veterans Memorial Hospital;

Postmasters: S. 1174, to permit fourth-class postmasters to be upgraded to third class and third-class postmasters to be downgraded to fourth class without examination;

Patrick Henry Week: S. J. Res. 12, authorizing the President to proclaim the week in which June 6, 1949, occurs as Patrick Henry Week; and

Private bills: Nine private bills: S. 782, 41, 165, 749, 850, 937, 981, S. Con. Res. 21 and 22.

With amendment and cleared for House:

Public buildings: S. 714, providing for acquisition of sites and preparation of plans for Federal public buildings outside D. C.; and

Private bills: Three private bills: S. 30, 40 and 191.

Simple resolution passed:

Committee expenditures: S. Res. 32, to authorize an additional $25,000 for the Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs. Pages 2758–2779

Copper Tax Suspension: Senate passed with amendments H. R. 2313, to suspend certain import taxes on copper. Pages 2783–2785

Rent Control: H. R. 1731, extension of rent control, was made the unfinished business. Page 2788

Committee Meetings

FIRST DEFICIENCY APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Committee met in executive session to consider for reporting H. R. 2632, first deficiency appropriations for 1949, but did not conclude its work. It continues tomorrow.

AID TO CHINA

Committee on Foreign Relations: Secretary of State Acheson met in executive session with the committee to discuss the whole problem of aid to China. Committee continues Tuesday.

BUILDING DAMS—GOVERNOR OF ALASKA

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Committee heard E. D. Rhodes, Washington State, explain his new device for saving money in the construction of dams.

In executive session, the committee agreed to hold hearings on March 30 on the nomination of Ernest Gruening, to reappointment as Governor of Alaska.

FEDERAL AID TO EDUCATION

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: In executive session, the committee voted to report with two perfecting amendments S. 246, Federal-aid-to-education bill.

It also voted to introduce and report a bill to provide school health services.

VETERANS' HOSPITALS

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee continued hearings on proposed curtailment of the veterans' hospital construction program recommended by the President, receiving testimony from witnesses representing the States of Kentucky and Michigan.

Spokesmen for the State of Kentucky follow: Senator Withers; Guthrie Crowe, Kentucky State police commissioner, and department commander of American Legion; Ken C. Long, Kentucky Disabled Ex-Servicemen's Board; Dr. A. M. Lyons, commissioner of welfare, State of Kentucky; T. Herbert Tinsley, speaker, house of representatives, Kentucky; Thomas A. Duggan, commander, VFW, Department of Kentucky; Kenneth Keller, State service officer, VFW, Kentucky; Mrs. Edna Donohue, State hospital chairman, VFW; and Quintus E. Camp, DAV.

Spokesmen for the State of Michigan follow: Senators Vandenberg and Ferguson; Representatives Engel, Ford, Potter, Crawford, and O'Brien; Lawrence Valone, representing Governor Williams; Joseph W. Mann, department service officer, VFW, Department of Michigan; Carleton L. Seaman, State service officer, American Legion, Department of Michigan; Sydney J. Allen, national service officer, DAV, Department of Michigan; E. Chris Christenson, commander, Detroit Districts Association of American Legion Posts; Bruce H. Douglas, health commissioner, Detroit; Allen Barth, Michigan Hospital Association; Leon B. Buer, president, and Walter L. Cornell, treasurer, United Veterans Council of Kent County, Mich. Hearings continue tomorrow

POSTAL RATES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Subcommittee continued hearings on S. 1103, to readjust postal rates, receiving opposition testimony from the following: K. N. Merritt, Railway Express Agency, New York; H. Barber, Brotherhood of Railway and Steamship Clerks, Freight Handlers, Express and Station Employees; Alexander Nunn, Progressive Farmer, Birmingham; L. R. Lournsbury, Gurnsey Readers Journal; M. S. Prescott, publisher, Holstein-Friesian World, Lacona, N. Y.; J. T. Emory, Practical Home Economics; and E. M. Anderson, legislative committee, National Editorial Association, Chicago. Hearings continue Monday.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Monday, March 21, at 12 o'clock noon.

Committee Meetings

FARM PRICE SUPPORTS—FERTILIZER

Committee on Agriculture: Pace special subcommittee on agricultural production and price supports, discussing revisions to the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1948 (Aiken bill), again had as its witnesses Carroll Hunter, Solicitor, Department of Agriculture, and Oscar Stine, Bureau of Agricultural Economics. The chief topic for discussion and interpretations was marketing quotas (sec. 203 through 208 of the act). The Aiken bill changes substantially the earlier marketing quota laws and the Solicitor was questioned closely as to the methods employed and the time and circumstances under which the Secretary proclaimed marketing quotas (sec.

203 (1) and (2)). Another topic under discussion was the relationship between acreage allotments and marketing quotas, and just when the Secretary may put acreage allotments into effect and when they are mandatory. The committee felt the two programs should be better harmonized. This meeting concluded discussions on the general interpretations of the act. Adjourned until next Tuesday.

The Subcommittee on Fertilizer and Farm Machinery at its hearings on the national fertilizer situation heard Lt. Col. Frank C. Norvell, Office of the Secretary of the Army; H. D. Reynolds, Office of Chief of Ordnance; and Albert Lazure, general counsel for Ordnance. In today's discussions, the Army's fertilizer program was explained and it was disclosed that both Korea and Japan, under the present program, would receive fertilizer in excess of last year's tonnage, but that none would be required by Germany. Figures were produced showing the amount of fertilizer material produced at the three Government plants, and it was developed that the Phillips Chemical Co. would be called upon to supply additional tonnage for Korea and Japan and the IEFC, as the amount produced by Government plants is under the total requirements necessary. The Department of the Army was asked to supply additional information setting forth the amounts sent to foreign countries and the tonnage produced at Government's plants.

MILITARY JUSTICE—PAY BILL—ARMORY CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Armed Services: Tom King, national judge advocate, Reserve Officers Association, was the only witness at Subcommittee No. 1 hearings on H. R. 2498, military justice bill. Hearings will continue Monday.

Subcommittee No. 2, considering H. R. 2553, armed services pay bill, heard the testimony of Maj. Gen. John E. Dahlquist, Department of the Army; Maj. Gen. R. E. Nugent, Department of the Air Force; Vice Adm. William M. Fechteler, Department of the Navy; and Irving Ladimer, Hook Commission. Hearings will be continued Monday.

Subcommittee No. 3 continued hearings on H. R. 2824, to provide training facilities for Reserve components of the National Military Establishment, with testimony being furnished by Brig. Gen. Edward A. Evans and Col. John P. Oliver, both of the Reserve Officers Association, and Col. Melvin Maas, Marine Corps Reserve Officers Association. Hearings will be continued Monday.

RESETTLEMENT PROJECTS SALE

Committee on Banking and Currency: Completed hearings on H. R. 2440, to authorize the Public Housing Commissioner to sell the suburban resettlement projects known as Greenbelt, Md.; Greendale, Wis.; and Greenhills, Ohio, without regard to provisions of law requiring competitive bidding or public advertising. Today's witnesses included Senator McCarthy, of Wisconsin; John Taylor Egan, Commissioner, Public Housing Administration; Robert Poston, American Legion, Washington, D. C.; Arthur Marcus, chairman, board of incorporation, American Legion Community Development Corp. of Greendale, Wis.; and Maxwell H. Elliott, member, National Special Housing Committee.

TAFT-HARTLEY REPEAL

Committee on Education and Labor: The Kelley subcommittee heard further witnesses at its consideration of H. R. 2032, to repeal the Labor-Management Relations Act of 1947. Testifying today were Theodore W. Kheel, attorney, New York City; Dr. Arthur Kornhauser, professor, Wayne University, Detroit, Mich.; Gerald D. Morgan, attorney, Washington, D. C.; Representative Tauriello, of New York; Lawrence M. Kearns, representing Boston Chamber of Commerce; and A. Frank Reel, American Federation of Radio Artists. Public hearings will be concluded on Monday.

SUBSISTENCE ALLOWANCES

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Opened hearings on H. R. 3005, to regulate subsistence expenses and mileage allowances of civilian officers and employees of the Government. The following witnesses testified: Dr. George V. Manov, Bureau of Standards; Henry Merry, Bureau of the Budget; Will Ellis and Henry Barclay, General Accounting Office; and Cecil E. Custer, Chief, Budget and Finance, Civil Service Commission. Hearings will be continued Monday.

ECONOMIC COOPERATION ACT

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Held further executive meeting to mark up H. R. 2362, to amend the Economic Cooperation Act of 1948. Will resume on this legislation tomorrow morning.

BANKRUPTCY—U. S. CODE

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 2 heard the following witnesses on H. R. 272 and H. R. 2691, to amend the Bankruptcy Act: W. Randolph Montgomery, Esq., New York City, counsel for National Association of Credit Men; E. Wm. Lane, Providence, R. I., treasurer, National Association of Credit Men; Albert G. Besser, Esq., South Orange, N. J.; Walter D. Malcolm, Esq., counsel, representing the First National Bank, Boston, and the Massachusetts Bankers Association; and Seymour Kleinman, representing Commercial Investment Trust, Inc.

Subcommittee No. 4 considered H. R. 2168, to make corrections in title 18 and title 28, United States Code.

POSTAL RATES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Witnesses testifying at the hearings on H. R. 2945, to increase certain postal rates, were Harrison Sayre, president, American Education Press, Columbus, Ohio, representing the Classroom Periodical Publishers' Association; J. T. Emery, president, Lakeside Publishing Co., New York City; Benjamin Bogan, vice president, Conde Nast Publications, Inc., Greenwich, Conn., accompanied by Miss Jessica Daves, editor of Vogue; James F. Barton, general manager of publications, American Legion, Indianapolis, Ind., and Frank Malone, president, American Legion Press; Bruce A. Campbell, chairman, Elks National Memorial and Publication Commission, Elks Magazine, New York City; Miss Elizabeth A. Smart, Woman's Christian Temperance Union, Chicago, Ill.; and Rev. Robert H. Heinze, promotion manager, Presbyterian Life, Philadelphia, Pa. Hearings will continue Monday.

COLORADO BASIN—FEDERAL LANDS

Committee on Public Lands: Ordered the following bills reported to the House:

H. R. 1936, right-of-way on Mount Vernon Highway for public road use. Representatives Smith of Virginia and Wickersham spoke on behalf of this bill.

H. R. 2325, granting Federal consent to the upper Colorado River Basin compact.

H. R. 2369, to complete the International Peace Garden, N. Dak. J. E. Matthews, Member of the Canadian House of Commons, and Russell Reid, State Historical Society of North Dakota, spoke in favor of this bill.

H. R. 2859, amended, to authorize sale of public lands in Alaska.

H. R. 3297, authorizing additional lands to Manassas National Battlefield Park, Va.

H. R. 3440, to add certain lands to the Rocky Mountain National Park. Representative Hill testified in favor of this bill.

FEDERAL BUILDINGS

Committee on Public Works: Continued executive committee action of marking up H. R. 3019, to provide for acquisition of certain lands in and outside of the District of Columbia for Federal building projects. Adjourned subject to the call of the Chair.

SOCIAL SECURITY

Committee on Ways and Means: Heard the following list of witnesses at the hearings on H. R. 2892, to amend the Social Security Act to enable States to establish more adequate public-welfare programs: George Ehinger, member of the National Child Welfare Commission, American Legion; Randel Shake, associate national child-welfare director, AL National Headquarters, Indianapolis, Ind.; Isaac C. Sutton, vice president, Indian Rights Association, Philadelphia, Pa.; Ruth M. Bronson, secretary, National Congress of American Indians, Washington, D. C.; W. Rulon Williamson, actuary, Wyatt Co., Washington, D. C.; Frank J. Hertel, general director, Family Service Association of America, New York City; Joseph Anderson, American Association of Social Workers, New York City; and Robert McConnell, of Danville, Va. Hearings will be continued on Monday.

Monday, March 21, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate began consideration of rent-control extension.

House passed D. C. rent-control extension bill.

Senate groups voted to report investigations resolutions and bills on claims, mail service, and Hawaiian judges.

Public hearings on Taft-Hartley repeal concluded by House group.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 2805–2861

Bills Introduced: Twelve bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 1319 to S. 1330; and S. Con. Res. 23. **Pages 2805, 2813**

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

Minority views on S. 498, to increase pay of heads and assistant heads of executive departments and independent agencies (part II of S. Rept. 130);

S. 326, extending time for filing under War Claims Act (S. Rept. 131);

S. 566, fixing salaries of Hawaiian judges (S. Rept. 132);

S. 1043, to place penalty for destruction of mail and letter boxes (S. Rept. 133);

S. Con. Res. 23, private bill (S. Rept. 134);

S. 1030, increasing time to file claims under Tort Claims Act, with amendment (S. Rept. 135). **Page 2811**

Postmasters: Senate passed H. R. 253. relating to appointment of postmasters under civil service, in lieu of

S. 1174, a similar bill, which had been passed by the Senate on March 18; passage of S. 1174 was then reconsidered and it was indefinitely postponed. Page 2808

Bill Referred: Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce was discharged from further consideration of S. 6, to aid in preventing shortages of petroleum and petroleum products in the U. S., and it was referred to Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs. Page 2813

River Projects: The following reports of the Chief of Engineers, U. S. Army, were ordered printed as Senate Documents: Review of Report on Detroit River, Mich., with a view to improvement of Trenton Channel (S. Doc. 30); and Review of Reports on Yadkin Pee Dee River and Tributaries, N. C. and S. C. (S. Doc. 31). Page 2813

Copper Taxes: Senate agreed to conference on H. R. 2313, to suspend certain import taxes on copper, and named as conferees Senators George, Connally, and Millikin. Page 2849

Rent Control: Senate opened debate on H. R. 1731, extension of rent control, but did not reach vote on any amendment. Pages 2816–2842, 2853–2861

Nominations: Fifty-three civilian nominations were received. Page 2861

Committee Meetings

FIRST DEFICIENCY APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Committee met again in executive session to consider for reporting H. R. 2632, first deficiency appropriations for 1949, but did not conclude its work. It continues tomorrow.

AIR FORCE COMPOSITION

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee heard Secretary of Army Royall and Chief of Staff Bradley testify in support of S. 65, to establish the Air Force composition. Hearings continue tomorrow.

INDIAN AFFAIRS—COLORADO RIVER

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: In executive session, committee voted to report favorably the nomination of John R. Nichols, of New Mexico, to be Commissioner of Indian Affairs.

In open hearings the committee received testimony from Senator McFarland and Judge J. A. Howell, Colorado River Basin State Commission, in support of S. 75, to authorize construction, operation, and maintenance of dams on the Colorado River at Bridge Canyon, together with certain appurtenant dams and canals, and S. J. Res. 4, granting congressional consent to joinder of the U. S. in suit in the U. S. Supreme Court for adjudication of claims of water of the Colorado River Basin. Hearings continue tomorrow.

CLAIMS, MAIL, JUDGES, AND MARSHALS

Committee on the Judiciary: In executive session, the committee voted to report without amendment S. 326, extending time for filing under War Claims Act; S. 1043, to place penalty for destruction of mail and letter boxes; S. 566, fixing salaries of Hawaiian judges; and, with amendment, S. 1030, increasing time in which to file claims under Tort Claims Act.

It also authorized the introduction and reporting of an original concurrent resolution on deportation referral cases. The nominations of two marshals, for the States of Montana and Connecticut, were voted reported favorably.

VETERANS' HOSPITALS

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Continuing hearings on proposed curtailment of the veterans' hospital construction program recommended by the President, the subcommittee received testimony from witnesses representing the States of Missouri and New York.

Spokesmen for Missouri were: Senators Kem and Donnell; Representatives Karst and Bolling; Mayor William E. Kemp, Kansas City; James B. Kerrigan, American Legion, Missouri Department; William A. Kitchen, State Service Officers of Missouri; Emett A. Scanlan, Jr., and Frank J. Tallman, VFW, Missouri Department; Charles A. Blair, St. Louis County Veterans Welfare Association; A. R. Wallach, Tenth District, American Legion, Missouri Department; Elmo B. Hunter, Fifth District, American Legion, Missouri Department; and Claude W. McElwee, American Legion, Missouri Department.

Spokesmen for New York follow: Joseph P. Piccirillo and George A. Mead, both of American Legion; and E. Burk, VFW. Hearings continue tomorrow.

POSTAL RATES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Continuing hearings on S. 1103, to readjust postal rates, subcommittee heard Eleanor Walker, publisher-owner, The Grade Teacher, state that "these bills H. R. 2549 and S. 1103 would put us out of business." Hearings continue Wednesday.

FUNDS FOR INVESTIGATIONS AND PRINTING RESOLUTIONS

Committee on Rules and Administration: In executive session, the committee voted to report favorably the following resolutions: S. Res. 45, authorizing Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce to investigate problems involving the U. S. merchant marine, and providing $50,000 for that purpose; S. Res. 50, to investigate the financial and other conditions of the air-line industry, and providing $50,000; S. Res. 62, authorizing the investigation of domestic land and water transportation conditions, and providing $50,000; S. Res. 63, providing for investigation of radio, telegraph, and telephone communications, and providing $15,000; S. Res. 78, providing $5,000 for the Committee on Post Office and Civil Service for the hiring of additional temporary personnel; S. Res. 79, to authorize printing of the annual report of the DAR; S. Res. 84, to provide funds for expenses by members of the committee attending the funeral services of the late Senator Broughton; H. Con. Res. 18, authorizing reprint of publication entitled "The Strategy and Tactics of World Communism"; and H. Con. Res. 44, authorizing printing of additional copies of publication entitled "Fascism in Action."

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Forty public bills, H. R. 3623–3662; eighteen private bills, H. R. 3663–3680; and seven resolutions, H. J. Res. 193–195, and H. Res. 158–161, were introduced. Pages 2879–2881

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

Conference report on H. R. 128, cotton planted in 1949 to be excluded in computing cotton-acreage allotments (H. Rept. 269);

H. R. 2325, to grant consent of the United States to the Upper Colorado River Basin Compact (H. Rept. 270);

H. R. 2821, relative to acquisition or use of public lands by States, counties, or municipalities for recreational purposes and other public purposes, also to permit nonprofit organizations to lease public lands for certain purposes (amended) (H. Rept. 271);

H. R. 997, providing retirement benefits for certain civil-service employees involuntarily separated (amended) (H. Rept. 272);

H. R. 1408, to declare that the United States hold certain lands in trust for the Lac Courte Oreilles band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians of the State of Wisconsin (H. Rept. 273);

H. R. 2944, to provide survivorship benefits for widows or widowers of persons retiring under Civil Service Retirement Act of May 29, 1930 (H. Rept. 274);

H. R. 3274, to provide for the conveyance of certain historic properties to the State of Georgia (amended) (H. Rept. 275);

H. R. 779, to amend the Federal Tort Claims Act to increase the time within which claims under such act may be presented to Federal agencies or prosecuted in the United States district courts (H. Rept. 276);

H. R. 2023, to regulate oleo, and to repeal certain taxes relating to oleo (H. Rept. 277); and

Twenty-two private bills, H. R. 52, 589, 656, 688, 692, 737, 807, 1037, 1056, 1113, 1288, 1467, 1468, 1874, 1875, 3311, 3313, 3323, 3324, 3532, 3534, and 761 (H. Repts. 278–299, respectively). Pages 2862–2865, 2878–2879

Cotton Acreage: Adopted conference report on H. R. 128, excluding cotton planted in 1949 from use in computing cotton-acreage allotments for any subsequent year. This action clears the measure for the White House. Pages 2862–2865

Copper Tax Suspension: Disagreed to Senate amendments to H. R. 2313, to suspend certain import taxes on copper, and requested a conference with the Senate. Representatives Doughton, Cooper, Mills, Reed of New York, and Woodruff were appointed conferees on the part of the House. Page 2865

Rereferral of Bills: Committee on Post Office and Civil Service was discharged from consideration of the following two bills which were rereferred to the Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries:

H. R. 2986, to increase the retired pay of certain members of the former Lighthouse Service; and

H. R. 3294, to regulate the hours of duty and the pay of civilian keepers of lighthouses and civilians employed on lightships and other vessels of the Coast Guard. Page 2868

Consent Calendar: Passed the following bills on the call of the Consent Calendar:

Cleared for the President:

Great Lakes transportation: S. J. Res. 52, in lieu of H. J. Res. 143, to authorize transportation of iron ore between U. S. ports on Great Lakes by Canadian vessels from March 15 to December 15, 1949.

Sent to the Senate without amendment:

Coast Guard: H. R. 1824, relating to credit toward retirement for certain prior Federal employment by members of the Regular Coast Guard.

Bankruptcy: H. R. 2513, to amend an act entitled "An act to establish a uniform system of bankruptcy throughout the United States."

National park: H. R. 2877, to add certain lands to the Big Bend National Park, Tex.

Sent to the Senate, amended:

National monument: H. R. 1357, to authorize the establishment of the St. Croix Island National Monument in the State of Maine.

Hot Springs: H. R. 2373, regarding hearing of complaints of violations of the act establishing Hot Springs National Park and penalties therefor.

Military damage claims: H. R. 2672, to provide for the settlement of claims of military personnel and civilian employees of the Army for damage to or loss of personal property incident to their service.

Bills tabled: Tabled H. R. 969 and H. J. Res. 143 after having passed similar Senate bills. Pages 2868–2870

Georgia Judge: Passed S. 271, to provide for the appointment of an additional district judge for the middle district of Georgia, thereby clearing the bill for the President. Page 2870

D. C. Rent Control: Passed, with committee amendments, by 247 yeas to 117 nays, H. R. 1757, the District of Columbia Emergency Rent Act. This bill extends the rent-control law in the District of Columbia until June 30, 1950, and recontrols housing accommodations decontrolled by the reconversion provision where the cost is less than $1,500. Also included in the bill is a provision which would prohibit, under certain circumstances, eviction of tenants in a housing unit sold cooperatively. Pages 2870–2874

Committee Meetings

MILITARY JUSTICE—PAY BILL—ARMORY CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Armed Services: Felix Larkin, of the Office of the Secretary of Defense, was the only witness to testify on H. R. 2498, military justice bill, which is being considered by Subcommittee No. 1. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

Subcommittee No. 2 continued with its hearings on H. R. 2553, armed services pay bill, and heard the following witnesses: Maj. Gen. John E. Dahlquist, Department of the Army; Vice Adm. William M. Fechteler, Department of the Navy; Maj. Gen. Kenneth F. Cramer, National Guard Bureau; and Capt. William W. Kenner, U. S. Coast Guard. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

Subcommittee No. 3 held further hearings on H. R. 2824, to provide training facilities for Reserve components of the National Military Establishment. Witnesses testifying today were Maj. Gen. Milton A. Reckord, National Guard, and Maj. Gen. Kenneth F. Cramer, National Guard Bureau. No date was set for the next hearing.

CCC CHARTER

Committee on Banking and Currency: Secretary of Agriculture Charles F. Brannan was the first witness at the opening of hearings on H. R. 2682, to amend the Commodity Credit Corporation Charter Act, the Strategic and Critical Materials Stock Piling Act, relative to the acquisition of storage facilities. He testified in support of the proposed measure. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

TAFT-HARTLEY REPEAL

Committee on Education and Labor: Concluded public hearings on H. R. 2032, a bill to repeal the Labor-Management Relations Act of 1947. Final witnesses to testify were: James Carey, secretary-treasurer, CIO; David J. McDonald, secretary-treasurer, United Steelworkers of America; L. S. Buckmaster, president, United Rubber Workers; T. A. Johnstone, United Automobile Workers; and O. A. Knight, president, Oil Workers International Union. The committee received the statements of Joseph Curran, president, National Maritime Union; John Green, president, Shipbuilding Workers of America; Albert J. Fitzgerald, president, United Electrical Workers; G. Baldanzi, Textile Workers Union of America; and J. Potofski, Amalgamated Clothing Workers, all of which will be printed in the hearings on the bill.

SUBSISTENCE ALLOWANCES

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Continued with hearings on H. R. 3005, to regulate subsistence expenses and mileage allowances of civilian officers and employees of the Government, and heard testimony from the following witnesses: James Dodson, Department of Labor; Vernon Northrop, budget officer, Department of the Interior; Albert Day, Director, Field and Wildlife Service; Newton Drury, Director, National Parks Service; Eugene Matchett, Office of Attorney General; Donald A. Hansen, Treasury Department; Henry Merry and Arthur Focke, Bureau of the Budget; William Ellis, General Accounting Office; Willard L. Manning, president, National Rural Letter Carriers' Association; Thomas G. Walters, Government Employees Council, AFL; and Luther C. Steward, National Federation of Federal Employees. Hearings will be held again tomorrow.

ECONOMIC COOPERATION ACT

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Continued further executive discussions on H. R. 2362, to amend the Economic Cooperation Act of 1948, and will continue on the same legislation at tomorrow morning's meeting.

HOLIDAYS AND MEMORIALS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 4 conducted hearings on pending bills providing for holidays and memorials and heard the following Members of Congress speak on proposed commemorative days: Representative Horan, on Father's Day; Representatives Gordon and Crook, on Pulaski Memorial Day; Representative Keating, on Dedication Day and Gold Star Mothers' Day; Representative Walter, on Flag Day; Representative Feighan, on National Dental Health Day; Representative Michener, on Nation-wide prayer for peace (on Memorial Day); and Representative Sasscer, to make

Good Friday a legal holiday. Also speaking relative to Good Friday were Rev. Joseph E. Gedra, Immaculate Conception Church, Washington, D. C., and Miss Margaret J. Beckley and Miss Rudolph, representing national Catholic organizations. Harold Buckles, secretary to Representative Klein, spoke on Interfaith Day and Roosevelt Day.

POSTAL RATES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Resumed hearings on H. R. 2945, to increase certain postal rates, and heard the following witnesses: Dudley White, chairman, postal committee, Inland Daily Press Association, Chicago, Ill.; E. F. Hamm, Jr., president, accompanied by James G. Lyne and Godfrey Lebhar, members, of the Associated Business Papers, Inc., New York City; Amory Bradford, assistant to the publisher, New York Times; W. S. Rooke, president, W. R. C. Smith Publishing Co., Atlanta, Ga.; and E. P. Schwartz, circulation manager, Des Moines Register and Tribune. Hearings will continue Wednesday.

LANDS—TIMBER

Committee on Public Lands: Ordered the following bills reported to the House:

H. R. 55, to include certain lands in Carson National Forest, N. Mex. Representative Fernandez spoke on behalf of this bill.

H. R. 2820, authorizing the Secretary of the Interior to sell certain land for home and other sites.

H. R. 3396, to amend the law relative to timber operations on Menominee Indian Reservation, Wis. The following witnesses spoke on behalf of this bill: Representative Murray of Wisconsin; R. W. Dickinson, manager, Menominee Mills; and Gordon Dickie, chairman, Menominee Advisory Council. Also testifying were Glenn Wilkinson, attorney for Menominee Tribe, and James Arentson, superintendent and special disbursing agent for the Menominee Tribe.

SOCIAL SECURITY

Committee on Ways and Means: Continued public hearings on H. R. 2892, to amend the Social Security Act to enable States to establish more adequate public-welfare programs, and heard the testimony of the following witnesses: Mrs. Richard J. Bernhard, first vice president, Child Welfare League of America, New York City; R. W. Ballard, director, Hull House Association, Chicago, Ill.; Alton A. Linford, associate professor, Public Welfare Administration, University of Chicago, Ill.; Miss Dorothy C. Kahn, executive director, Welfare Council of New York City; Mrs. Melvin Thomson, board director, Health and Welfare Council, Philadelphia, Pa.; Charles H. Moss, of Chicago, Ill.; John Hayes, superintendent, Lenox Hill Hospital, New York City, representing the American Hospital Association; and Miss Aneita L. Tidball, executive secretary, Travelers Aid Society, Chicago, Ill. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

Joint Committee Meetings

ATOMIC ENERGY

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Committee met in executive session with representatives of the Central Intelligence Agency, Atomic Energy Commission, Air Force Intelligence, and Naval Intelligence.

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HIGHLIGHTS

Senate disposed of rent-control amendments and confirmed Boyd nomination.
House passed Army-Air Force composition bill and debated pension bill.
Senate groups voted to report deficiency appropriations and D. C. bills.
Bill amending the Economic Cooperation Act of 1948 approved by House committee.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 2881–2936

Bills Introduced: Twenty-six bills and three resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1331 to S. 1356; S. J. Res. 67, S. J. Res. 68; and S. Res. 90. Page 2888

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. R. 1755, to authorize a $100 per capita payment to members of Red Lake Band of Chippewa Indians from proceeds of timber sales (S. Rept. 136);

S. J. Res. 25, to amend the Constitution relative to equal rights for men and women (S. Rept. 137);

H. R. 2632, first deficiency appropriations for 1949, with amendments (S. Rept. 138);

H. R. 1757, extension of D. C. rent control (S. Rept. 139);

Report by Joint Committee on Foreign Economic Cooperation, entitled "ECA and Strategic Materials" (S. Rept. 140);

H. Con. Res. 18, authorizing reprint of publication entitled "The Strategy and Tactics of World Communism" (no written report);

H. Con. Res. 44, authorizing printing of additional copies of publication entitled "Fascism in Action" (no written report);

S. Res. 79, to authorize printing of annual report of DAR (no written report);

S. Res. 84, to provide funds for expenses by members of the committee attending funeral services of the late Senator Broughton (no written report); and

S. Res. 90, to pay a gratuity to the widow of Don Gustin, late an employee of the Senate (no written report). Pages 2887–2888

Bills Referred: Eight House-passed bills were referred to appropriate committees. Page 2890

Committee Assignment: Senator O'Conor was excused from further service on Committee on Post Office and Civil Service and was assigned to service on the Committee on the Judiciary. Page 2882

Routine Resolutions Adopted: Senate adopted the following routine resolutions:

Printing: H. Con. Res. 18, authorizing reprint of publication entitled "The Strategy and Tactics of World Communism"; and H. Con. Res. 44, authorizing printing of additional copies of publication entitled "Fascism in Action";

DAR: S. Res. 79, to authorize printing of the annual report of the DAR;

Funeral expenses: S. Res. 84, to provide funds for expenses by members of the committee attending the funeral services of the late Senator Broughton; and

Senate employee: S. Res. 90, authorizing a gratuity to the widow of Don Gustin, late an employee of the Senate. Pages 2887–2888

Rent Control: Senate continued consideration of H. R. 1731, extension of rent control, taking the following action on amendments after adopting various perfecting amendments to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute:

Adopted, by 45 yeas to 35 nays, Fulbright amendment to permit decontrol within an area following petition of the local governing body thereof, with the approval of the governor of the State; adopted, by voice vote, Holland amendment permitting recontrol of housing accommodations in hotels in cities of more than 2,500,000; and rejected, by 29 yeas to 53 nays, Bricker-Cain amendment to decontrol all hotels, motels, trailers, and premises unrented for 24 months between February 1, 1945, and enactment of Housing and Rent Act of 1948. Pages 2896–2906, 2908–2914, 2914–2932

Nominations: Eleven Navy nominations were received. Page 2936

Confirmations: By vote of 50 yeas to 11 nays, Senate confirmed nomination of James Boyd, of Colorado, to be Director of Bureau of Mines, and unanimously confirmed two U. S. marshals. Pages 2931–2936

Committee Meetings

LABOR-FSA APPROPRIATION

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee opened hearings on H. R. 3333, Labor-Federal Security appropriations for 1950, and heard the following witnesses direct their testimony to funds and requests of the Department of Labor: Philip M. Kaiser, Director, Office of International Labor Affairs; William L. Connally, Director, Bureau of Labor Standards; John W. Gibson, Assistant Secretary of Labor; James E. Dodson, Director, Office of Budget and Management; Ewan Clague, Commissioner, Bureau of Labor Statistics; and Jeter S. Ray, Associate Solicitor, all of the Department of Labor. Hearings continue tomorrow.

FIRST DEFICIENCY APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: In executive session, the committee voted to report with amendments H. R. 2632, first deficiency appropriations for 1949. As approved by the committee, it would appropriate $538,453,473. As passed by the House, it proposed to appropriate $471,895,177. The budget estimates considered by the Senate total $564,183,148.

SECRETARY OF DEFENSE

Committee on Armed Services: In executive session, the committee considered the nomination of Louis Johnson to be Secretary of Defense, but delayed final action until tomorrow.

AIR FORCE COMPOSITION

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee continued hearings on S. 65, to establish the Air Force composition, receiving testimony in support of the bill from the following witnesses: Gen. Omar N. Bradley, Army Chief of Staff; Gen. Hoyt S. Vandenberg, Air Force Chief of Staff; and Eugene M. Zuckert, Assistant Secretary of Air Force.

D. C. BILLS AND D. C. JUDGE

Committee on the District of Columbia: Committee voted to report with amendment H. R. 1757, extension of D. C. rent control. The amendment relates to changing amounts for reconversion purposes.

It unanimously voted to report the nomination of Milton S. Kronheim to be associate judge of the Municipal Court of the District of Columbia, after receiving supporting testimony from the following witnesses: Lowry Coe, president, Godfrey Munter, secretary, of committee on judicial selections, George E. McNeil, past president, and Milton W. King, past president, all representing D. C. Bar Association; Myron G. Ehrlich, Clarence Dinkens, F. Joseph Donohue, Joseph A. Kaufman, Alvin Newmeyer, Julius Eanet, Maurice Eanet, A. K. Shipe, James R. Kirkland, and others, all of the District of Columbia.

The committee voted to report the following bills without amendment: S. 1124, appointment of counsel to impoverished defendants in criminal cases; S. 1125, payment of temporary maintenance in alimony cases; S. 1127, notice to be given upon a petition for probate of a will; S. 1129, nomenclature and practice prescribed by the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure; S. 1131, settlement of decedents' estates at election of personal representative; S. 1132, time within which caveat may be filed to a will; S. 1133, attorney appointed to defend uncontested annulments; S. 1134, publication of annulment actions; and S. 1135, family allowance and simplified procedure in settlement of small estates; and, with two amendments, S. 1123, service of process on nonresidents; and S. 1130, increase sum allowable for funeral expenses from $600 to $1,000, after agreeing to substitute new language for the bill.

After the meeting, it was announced that a bill on D. C. home rule will be introduced shortly.

CHINA AID

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee met in executive session to hear Maj. Gen. David G. Barr, Chief of the Joint U. S. Military Advisory Group in China, give the committee information on the situation in China. Following the meeting, the chairman announced that Roger Lapham, ECA, would perhaps appear at a later date to give the committee further information.

ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF COMMERCE

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Committee concluded hearings on the nomination of Thomas C. Blaisdell, Jr., to be Assistant Secretary of Commerce, after receiving testimony from Mr. Blaisdell for himself, and Joseph Rauch, Washington, D. C., attorney. Committee meets again tomorrow.

COLORADO RIVER—INDIANS

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Senator Downey met with the committee to discuss S. 75, to authorize construction, operation, and maintenance of dams on the Colorado River at Bridge Canyon, together with certain appurtenant dams and canals, and S. J. Res. 4, granting congressional consent to joinder of the U. S. in suit in the U. S. Supreme Court for adjudication of claims of water of the Colorado River Basin. Hearings continue tomorrow.

Committee approved for reporting, without amendment, H. R. 1755, to authorize a $100 per capita payment to members of Red Lake band of Chippewa Indians from proceeds of timber sales.

VETERANS' HOSPITALS

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Continuing hearings on proposed curtailment of the veterans' hospital construction program recommended by the President, the subcommittee received testimony from witnesses representing North Carolina and Ohio, together with John H. Hayes, representing the American Hospital Association.

The spokesmen for North Carolina were: Representatives Deane and Jones; Mayor H. H. Baxter, Charlotte; Jack A. Pamplin, North Carolina Veterans Commission; David A. Young, North Carolina Hospitals Board of Control; Paul G. Noell, Durham County Veterans Service Office; Karl A. Muschette, North Carolina Department of the American Legion; Staton Williams, VFW, Department of North Carolina; Ernest Delaney, Jr., Charlotte; W. D. Kizziah, Salisbury; Nash McKee, former national service officer, DAV; H. Haywood Robbins; Dr. Paul Sanger; Dr. T. Preston White; James Dixon; and W. H. Morrow.

Spokesmen for Ohio follow: Senator Taft, Representatives Burke and Wagner; Albert Cash, mayor of Cincinnati; Robert Smith, State service officer, American Legion; Milo J. Warner, past national commander, American Legion; George E. Tyack, VFW; Michael DiSalle, mayor of Toledo; Ollie Czelusta, Veterans Hospital Commission; Frazier Reams, former State welfare director; Herbert Jorris, Chamber of Commerce, Toledo; George Joseph, Lucas County commander; Major Simpson, Lucas County commander, VFW; Joseph Kroeger, Lucas County commander, DAV; Tom Quinn, Central Labor Union, AFL; Howard Rediger, International Union Council, CIO; Mrs. Richard Bentz, Blue Star Mothers and Gold Star Mothers; and Mrs. Andrew Swintzke, Friends of Veterans, and legislative chairman of Blue Star Mothers. Subcommittee continues tomorrow.

POSTAL RATES—NOMINATIONS

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: In executive session, the committee voted to report 244 postmaster nominations in the States of Vermont, Minnesota, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Connecticut, Delaware, Iowa, Kentucky, Michigan, Nebraska, New Jersey, New York, Oklahoma, and Washington.

The full committee held open hearings on S. 1103, to readjust postal rates, receiving testimony in support of the bill from Postmaster General Donaldson and Nelson Wentzel, Third Assistant Postmaster General; Horace D. Klein, vice president, Webb Publishing Co., St. Paul, and J. V. McLaughlin, Railway Express Co., testified in opposition to the bill.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Thirty-seven public bills, H. R. 3681–3717; sixteen private bills, H. R. 3718–3733; and eight resolutions, H. J. Res. 196–201, and H. Res. 162 and 163, were introduced. Pages 2970–2971

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. R. 3549, to permit Comptroller General to pay claims chargeable against lapsed appropriations and to provide for the return of unexpended balances of such appropriations to the surplus fund (amended) (H. Rept. 300);

Three private bills, H. R. 603, 3603, and 3620 (H. Repts. 301–303, respectively);

H. R. 2989, to incorporate the Virgin Islands Corporation (H. Rept. 304);

H. R. 55, to include certain lands in the Carson National Forest, N. Mex. (H. Rept. 305); and

H. Res. 163, providing for consideration of and 1 hour's general debate on H. R. 1340, to provide for U. S.-flag shipping participation in Government-financed cargoes (H. Rept. 306). Page 2969

Army and Air Force: Voted, 395 yeas to 4 nays, to pass H. R. 1437, embodying the committee substitute amendment, after defeating a move to recommit the bill and have it reported back with an amendment barring contracts with companies that discriminate in their hiring policies. This bill is intended to meet the requirement of providing for the nature, scope, and composition of the Army and Air Force and to define their components and general activities. One of its provisions is an authorization for 70 United States Air Force groups. Pages 2936–2937

Pension: After 3 hours of general debate on H. R. 2681, to provide pensions for veterans of World Wars I and II based on non-service-connected disability and attained age, the House rejected, by 223 nays to 187 yeas, a motion to recommit the bill. Also rejected, by 291 nays to 120 yeas, a move to strike out the enacting clause, which would in effect kill the measure. Subsequently agreed to an amendment restricting benefits to those veterans only who received an honorable discharge. Postponed further consideration of bill until tomorrow. Pages 2938–2966

Speaker Pro Tempore: Adopted H. Res. 162, electing Representative McCormack to act as Speaker pro tempore in the absence of the Speaker. Page 2969

Committee Meetings

CORN MARKETING QUOTAS

Committee on Agriculture: Secretary of Agriculture Charles F. Brannan discussed corn marketing quotas with the Pace Special Subcommittee on Agricultural Production and Price Supports and Repeal of Aiken Bill of 1948. He pointed out that the Department was not making any specific recommendations to the committee at this time, but was merely making its services available to provide such data and information as the committee needed to study the present marketing quota law for corn, with a view to subsequently recommending amendments, in the event it should be decided to have marketing quotas on corn in 1950 or some following years. The Secretary also answered a series of questions which had been propounded in the letter of invitation sent to him by Chairman Pace on March 10. These questions covered the important phases of corn production and marketing.

Also appearing before the committee with Mr. Brannan were Frank Woolley, Deputy Administrator of Production and Marketing Administration; William McArthur, Assistant Director of the Grain Branch of the Production and Marketing Administration; and John C. Bagwell, a representative of the Solicitor's office. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

MILITARY JUSTICE—PAY BILL

Committee on Armed Services: Felix Larkin, of the Office of the Secretary of Defense, concluded his testimony before Subcommittee No. 1 at its hearings on H. R. 2498, the military justice bill. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

Subcommittee No. 2, which is considering H. R. 2553, armed services pay bill, heard the testimony of the following witnesses: Maj. Gen. John E. Dahlquist, Department of the Army; Vice Adm. William M. Fechteler, Department of the Navy; Capt. Frank T. Kenner, U. S. Coast Guard; and Maj. Gen. R. E. Nugent, Department of the Air Force. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

CCC CHARTER

Committee on Banking and Currency: At today's hearings on H. R. 2682, to amend the Commodity Credit Corporation Federal Charter Act, relative to the acquisition of storage facilities, the committee heard Don Parel, associate director of the Washington office of the American Farm Bureau Federation, who urged that the charter of the CCC be amended to provide greater flexibility of operation, but insisted that the major responsibility for providing storage facilities to qualify for commodity loans rests with the individual farm producers. He recommended elimination of the provisions of the charter which limit the ability of the CCC to provide storage facilities for its own stocks and to meet emergency situations.

J. P. Johnson, on behalf of the National Association of Refrigerated Warehouses, and Clement D. Johnston, president of the American Warehousemen's Association, both testified as to the adequacy of privately owned cold-storage plants and expressed fear of Government competition with private industry under provisions of the bill as introduced. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

D. C. BANK ORDERS

Committee on the District of Columbia: The Subcommittee on Public Utilities, Insurance, and Banking approved for reporting to the full committee H. R. 2104, relating to orders to banks doing business in the District to stop payment on negotiable instruments payable from deposits in, or payable at, such banks.

TRAVEL ALLOWANCES

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Concluded public hearings on H. R. 3005, to regulate subsistence expenses and mileage allowances of civilian officers and employees of the Government. Testimony was offered today by Henry Merry and Arthur Focke, both of the Bureau of the Budget; William Ellis, of the General Accounting Office; James J. Doran, Chief Inspector, Post Office Department; L. F. Kneipp, executive officer, Department of Agriculture; and Col. Charles I. Stengle, legislative representative, American Federation of Government Employees. Executive consideration of this bill will be had at a 9:30 meeting tomorrow morning.

ECONOMIC COOPERATION ACT

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Voted unanimously to approve a bill to amend the Economic Cooperation Act of 1948. This measure will be a clean bill to supersede H. R. 2362, on which the committee has held public hearings and executive deliberations for many weeks. The new bill will be introduced by Chairman Kee tomorrow, and the committee has scheduled an executive meeting for Thursday morning, at which time the legislation will be formally reported to the House.

ANNUAL LEAVE, VETERANS' FUNERALS

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: The Buckley subcommittee approved for reporting to the full committee H. R. 2662, to grant time to employees to participate, without loss of pay or deduction from annual leave, in funerals for deceased members of the armed forces returned to the United States for burial.

RECREATION LANDS—VIRGIN ISLANDS

Committee on Public Lands: Ordered the following bills reported to the House:

H. R. 892, amended, to authorize establishment of a Federal Interagency Committee on Recreation. Lt. Col. H. C. Gee, Deputy Chief of Civil Works for Flood Control, OCE, and Conrad L. Wirth, Assistant Director, National Park Service, endorsed this bill and suggested minor amendments.

H. R. 1408, to hold lands in trust for Lake Superior Chippewa Indians;

H. R. 2989, to incorporate the Virgin Islands Corporation; and

H. R. 3284, to authorize exchange of lands, recreational project lands.

FEDERAL BUILDINGS

Committee on Public Works: Ordered H. R. 3662 reported to the House. This bill was introduced Monday by Chairman Whittington, and is a clean bill written to take the place of H. R. 3019, to provide for acquisition of certain lands in and outside of the District of Columbia for Federal building projects. Extensive hearings and consideration were had on this legislation.

U. S.-FLAG SHIP PARTICIPATION

Committee on Rules: Granted an open rule providing for 1 hour's general debate on H. R. 1340, to provide for U. S.-flag shipping participation in Government-financed cargoes. Representatives Bland and Weichel both spoke on behalf of the legislation. Committee will meet again on Thursday morning.

SOCIAL SECURITY

Committee on Ways and Means: J. O. Wilson, president, Kansas State Bank, Wichita, Kans., speaking for the National Association of Businessmen, Inc., was today's only witness at the hearings on H. R. 2892, to amend the Social Security Act to enable States to establish more adequate public-welfare programs. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

Wednesday, March 23, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

By 68 yeas to 10 nays, Senate passed rent-control extension.
House debated veterans' pension bill.
Taft-Hartley repeal bill approved by House subcommittee.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 2973–2983

Bills Introduced: Twenty-seven bills were introduced, as follows: S. 1357 to S. 1383. Page 2979

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 1124, appointment of counsel to impoverished defendants in criminal cases (S. Rept. 141);

S. 1125, payment of temporary maintenance in alimony cases (S. Rept. 142);

S. 1127, notice to be given upon a petition for probate of a will (S. Rept. 143);

S. 1129, nomenclature and practice prescribed by the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure (S. Rept. 144);

S. 1132, time within which eaveat may be filed to a will (S. Rept. 145);

S. 1133, attorney appointed to defend uncontested annulments (S. Rept. 146);

S. 1135, family allowance and simplified procedure in settlement of small estates, with amendment (S. Rept. 147);

S. 1123, service of process on nonresidents, with amendments (S. Rept. 148);

S. 1130, increase sum allowable for funeral expenses from $600 to $1,000, with amendments (S. Rept. 149);

S. 1131, settlement of decedent's estates at election of personal representative, with amendments (S. Rept. 150);

S. 1134, publication of annulment actions, with amendments (S. Rept. 151);

S. Res. 36, authorizing investigation of matters relating to crop production and utilization (S. Rept. 152);

S. Res. 78, providing $5,000 for the Committee on Post Office and Civil Service for the hiring of additional temporary personnel (S. Rept. 153); and

S. Res. 50, to investigate the financial and other conditions of the air-line industry, and providing $50,000 (S. Rept. 154). Page 2978

Rent Control: By 68 yeas to 10 nays, Senate passed H. R. 1731, extension of rent control, after inserting the committee substitute, as amended, for the House-passed language. Prior to this, the Senate took the following action on amendments to the committee substitute:

Adopted: By 52 yeas to 30 nays, McClellan amendment to strike from the substitute provisions making it a felony to violate any rule, regulation, or order of the Housing Expediter; by voice vote, two Maybank amendments, one to extend title VI of National Housing Act until May 30, 1949, and the other, to prevent landlord charging more than maximum rent during the 3-month eviction-control period; and

Rejected: Three Bricker-Cain amendments (1) by 22 yeas to 64 nays, termination of Federal rent controls on September 30, 1949; (2) by 34 yeas to 47 nays, to allow landlord a fair return on the value of the premises; and (3) by 42 yeas to 44 nays, to continue the present system of eviction controls. Motion to reconsider this last vote was laid on the table by vote of 44 yeas to 43 nays. Also rejected were: By 10 yeas to 75 nays, Magnuson amendment to extend rent control for two years; by 18 yeas to 62 nays, Capehart amendment to extend rent control for varying periods up to two years (specifying termination dates depending on amount of rental; and by 20 yeas to 59 nays, Cordon amendment making U. S. liable for difference between reasonable rental value and the maximum rent paid under controls.

Senate then asked for conference on the bill and appointed as conferees Senators Maybank, Sparkman, Douglas, Flanders, and Bricker.

Pages 2973, 2983–2992, 2996–2997, 3007–3034

ECA: S. 1209, to amend the Economic Cooperation Act of 1948, was made the unfinished business. Page 3034

Treaty: Treaty Between U. S. and Mexico for Establishment of an International Commission for the Investigation of Tuna (Exec. K), was received and referred to Committee on Foreign Relations. Page 2972

Nominations: Thirty Public Health Service nominations were received. Page 3035

Confirmations: The nominations of Louis A. Johnson to be Secretary of Defense, and of Milton S. Kronheim, Jr. to be associate judge of Municipal Court for D. C., were confirmed. Page 3034

Committee Meetings

LABOR-FSA APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Continuing hearings on H. R. 3333, Labor-Federal Security appropriations for 1950, the subcommittee heard J. Donald Kingsley, Assistant FSA Administrator, testify on funds for the FSA generally, and Henry C. Iler, Chairman, and Hattie W. Carraway, member, both of Employees' Compensation Appeals Board, discuss funds for their Board. Hearings continue tomorrow.

SECRETARY OF DEFENSE

Committee on Armed Services: In executive session the committee voted to report favorably the nomination of Louis A. Johnson to be Secretary of Defense.

RESERVE COMPONENTS

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee heard the following witnesses testify in support of S. 960, to provide training facilities for Reserve components of the National Military Establishment: Secretary of Army Royall; Maj. Gen. Harold R. Bull; Capt. C. G. Pendill, USNR; Brig. Gen. James B. Newman, USAF; Maj. Gen. Milton A. Reckord and General Cramer, both of National Guard Association; Col. Oliver, Reserve Officers Association; and General Westover.

INTERNATIONAL REFUGEE ORGANIZATION

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Subcommittee on Relations With International Organizations met in executive session to consider various aspects of U. S. relations with the International Refugee Organization to which the U S. will have contributed approximately $150,000,000 by June 30, 1949. This amount constitutes about 45 percent of the total budget of the Organization.

Following the meeting it was announced that "The International Refugee Organization, the specialized agency of the United Nations which was created to handle the care, maintenance, repatriation, and resettlement of over 1,000,000 displaced persons and refugees who were victims of World War II, will not be able to complete its program by June 30, 1950." Chairman O'Conor pointed out that "this might mean an additional request for appropriations of at least $70,000,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1951."

COLORADO RIVER

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Arvin B. Shaw, assistant attorney general for California, appeared before the committee to testify in support of S. J. Res. 4, granting congressional consent to joinder of the U. S. in suit in the U. S. Supreme Court for adjudication of claims of water of the Colorado River Basin, and in opposition to S. 75, to authorize construction, operation, and maintenance of dams on the Colorado River at Bridge Canyon, together with certain appurtenant dams and canals. Hearings continue tomorrow.

SHIPPING—NOMINATIONS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: In executive session the committee voted to report without amendment S. J. Res. 32, to authorize cancellation of agreement between port of Seattle and U. S. regarding shipping facilities.

It agreed that on April 6 it would hold open hearings on the nomination of Cornelius Vanderbilt Whitney to be Under Secretary of Commerce, and on S. Res. 83, requesting the President to use certain merchant vessels for temporary transoceanic passenger service (student service). Following the open hearings, the committee will meet in executive session to consider for reporting the nominations of Mr. Whitney; Thomas C. Blaisdell, Jr. to be Assistant Secretary of Commerce, Hugh Cross to be ICC Commissioner; and Oswald Ryan to be a member of the CAB.

Edward C. Sweeney was appointed to be a professional staff member of the committee.

VETERANS' HOSPITALS

Committee on Labor and Public Relations: Subcommittee continued hearings on proposed curtailment of the veterans' hospital construction program recommended by the President, receiving testimony from witnesses representing Oklahoma and Oregon.

Spokesmen for Oklahoma include: Senator Kerr; Representatives Morris, Stigler, Albert, Steed, Monroney, Wilson, and Wickersham; Milt Phillips, representative, State Government of Oklahoma; T. R. Benedum, member of board of regents, Oklahoma University; and Dr. Austin H. Bell and Dick Graham, Oklahoma Medical Association.

Spokesmen for Oregon follow: Senators Cordon and Morse; Representatives Stockman and Ellsworth; T. D. Case, Joint Veterans Council of Northern California, and Southern Oregon; G. V. Cannon, national service officer; Col. George Ijams, VFW; T. O. Kraabel, American Legion; Quintus E. Camp, DAV; Elmer Fraker, American Legion of Oklahoma; and Malcolm Davis, VFW. Hearings continue tomorrow.

POSTAL RATES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Continuing hearings on S. 1103, to readjust postal rates, the subcommittee received opposition testimony from the following witnesses: C. G. Parker, president, American Paper and Pulp Association; Edward F. Dinan, Fashion Frocks, Inc., Cincinnati; Paul C. Stark, vice president, Stark Bros. Nursery, Louisiana, Mo.; and Mrs. F. S. Clough, Commodore Hotel, New York. Hearings continue Friday.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Thirty-four public bills, H. R. 3734–3767; six private bills, H. R. 3768–3773; and three resolutions, H. J. Res. 202–203 and H. Res. 164, were introduced. Pages 3041–3042, 3071–3072

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. R. 3734, Department of Army civil functions appropriation bill for 1950 (H. Rept. 307);

H. R. 2859, to authorize sale of public lands in Alaska (H. Rept. 308);

H. R. 3259, to add certain lands to the Abraham Lincoln National Historical Park, Ky. (H. Rept. 309);

H. R. 3662, to provide for acquisition of certain lands in and outside of the District of Columbia for Federal building projects (H. Rept. 310); and

H. R. 1770, amending the Reclamation Projects Act of 1939, relating to revising provisions regarding repayment contracts, short-term contracts to furnish water for irrigation, etc. (H. Rept. 311). Page 3071

Colorado River: Passed S. 790, to grant the consent of the United States to the Upper Colorado River Basin compact. Pages 3036–3041

Record Revision: Adopted H. Res. 164, authorizing amendment of certain remarks appearing in the Congressional Record. Pages 3041–3042

Pension: Continued to read H. R. 2681, the World Wars I and II veterans' pension bill, for amendments, and, in addition to perfecting amendments, the House, acting in Committee of the Whole, adopted an amendment setting up income limitations for pensioners and allowing certain deductions for medical expenses. Also adopted an amendment setting up a formula for granting pensions in proportion to the service rendered by the pensioner. Pages 3042–3068

Committee Meetings

CORN-MARKETING QUOTAS

Committee on Agriculture: Charles F. Brannan, Secretary of Agriculture, again testified before the Pace Special Subcommittee on Farm Price Supports and was questioned in detail about various points brought up in his statement of yesterday with reference to the national corn program. The early part of the discussion concerned the possibility of having marketing quotas in 1951. The Secretary stated they have asked for additional funds in order to have the basic information available in the event the situation develops that would necessitate such a program. He added, however, that the Department has no desire to exercise such a jurisdiction unless it becomes absolutely necessary in the interest of the farm program and general objectives of the program.

Members also discussed at length the authority, which the Solicitor has said the Department has, to deny all or part of the benefits, such as price supports, soil-conservation benefits, etc., to producers of one commodity who fail to comply with the program in effect in connection with other crops. They also questioned Mr. Brannan and Mr. McArthur of the Grain Division relative to the variation in support prices for corn in the commercial corn area and the noncommercial.

The committee and the Secretary agreed that it was doubtful if the corn growers would submit to quotas unless the whole feed-grain situation was handled together. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

FORESTRY

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee No. 3 approved the following bills for reporting to the full committee: H. R. 2001, to increase funds for national survey of forest land; and H. R. 2296, to increase current annual appropriations for forestry cooperation with the States. Both bills were amended.

MILITARY JUSTICE—PAY BILL

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee No. 1 held general discussion on H. R. 2498, military justice bill. Will continue on same subject tomorrow.

Subcommittee No. 2 heard the following witnesses at its hearings on H. R. 2553, armed services pay bill; Maj. Gen. John E. Dahlquist, Department of the Army; Vice Adm. William M. Fechteler, Department of the Navy; Capt. Frank T. Kenner and Capt. A. C. Richmond, both of the U. S. Coast Guard; Maj. Gen. R. E. Nugent, Department of the Air Force; and Brig. Gen. Walter W. Wensinger, U. S. Marine Corps. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

CCC CHARTER

Committee on Banking and Currency: At today's hearings on H. R. 2682, to amend the Commodity Credit Corporation Federal Charter Act, relative to the acquisition of storage facilities, J. T. Sanders, legislative counsel of the National Grange, testified in support of the general purposes of the proposed amendments but urged that the bill be amended to safeguard against the abuse of the broad authority provided in the bill as introduced. John H. Todd spoke in behalf of the National Cotton Compress and Cotton Warehouse Association, H. E. Sanford, chairman, National Grain Trade Council, recommended that amendments be adopted to more particularly define the authority of the Corporation and to provide safeguards against the abuse of authority. Russell Smith, legislative secretary, National Farmers Union, testified in favor of the bill and stated, "It would appear to be a part of wisdom to include in this bill provisions that would broaden the authorities of the Secretary and the Commodity Credit Corporation even more than does this measure and that would at the same time make specific authorizations of funds for the construction and use of storage facilities." Hearings will continue tomorrow.

TAFT-HARTLEY REPEAL

Committee on Education and Labor: The Kelley subcommittee voted, 8 to 5, to report to the full committee H. R. 2032, to repeal the Labor-Management Relations Act of 1947. The full group will consider this measure at tomorrow morning's executive meeting.

TRAVEL ALLOWANCES

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Ordered H. R. 3005 reported to the House. This bill, as amended, will increase subsistence expenses and mileage allowances of Federal civilian officers and employees from $6 to $9 a day.

PRIVATE CLAIMS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 3 agreed to recommend favorably to the full committee 13 private House bills and 2 private Senate bills. Two private House bills are to be reported adversely.

The meeting of Subcommittee No. 1, scheduled to consider private immigration bills, was not held.

MARITIME RESERVE FUNDS

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Subcommittee on Maritime Affairs held open hearings to consider H. J. Res. 186, to extend the time for use of construction reserve funds established under section 511 of the Merchant Marine Act of 1936. The following witnesses testified: Francis B. Goertner, general counsel, and Charles H. McDaniels, Chief of Division of Subsidies, Bureau of Government Aid, both of the U. S. Maritime Commission; Hoyt S. Haddock, executive secretary, CIO Maritime Committee; and Donald S. Morrison, executive vice president, American-Hawaiian Steamship Co. Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

POSTAL RATES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Witnesses testifying at today's hearings on H. R. 2945, to increase certain postal rates, were Eugene R. Spaulding, vice president and general manager, New Yorker magazine; Godfrey Hammond, president, Popular Science Publishing Co., New York City; Cola G. Parker, president, American Paper and Pulp Association, New York City; Mrs. M. E. Walker, representing the Educational Publishing Corp., Darien, Conn.; W. L. Manning, president, National Rural Letter Carriers Association, Washington, D. C.; and Horace D. Klein, vice president, Webb Publishing Co., representing The Farmer, St. Paul, Minn. Hearings will continue on this same subject Friday.

INDIAN BILLS

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Indian Affairs considered many bills and took the following action:

Reported to the full committee without amendment: H. R. 1976, sale of Flathead land, Montana; H. R. 2876, Cherokee Indian land exchange; H. R. 3196, appropriation for roads, etc., in Alaska; and H. R. 1030 and 1892, private land patent bills.

Reported to the full committee, amended: H. R. 1753, sale of Indian lands in Utah; and H. R. 1029 and 1109, private land patent bills.

Deferred action on: H. R. 2196, elimination of irrigation lands from Flathead Indian Reservation; H. R. 2393, to repeal the act relative to the Crow Indian Reservation, Mont.; and H. R. 2432, to restore to tribal ownership certain lands on the Colville Indian Reservation, Wash.

Representative Granger spoke in behalf of H. R. 1753; Representative Mansfield on H. R. 2196, with W. R. Miller, of the Interior Department, in opposition; Representative D'Ewart spoke in favor of his bills. Representative Redden and Mr. Getty Brown favored H. R. 2876. Three other officials of the Department of the Interior testified as follows: H. M. Critchfield in favor of H. R. 1976 and 2876; Conrad Wirth, H. R. 2876; and J. H. Provinse in opposition to H. R. 2393. The committee will meet again Friday morning.

FEDERAL BUILDINGS

Committee on Public Works: Held informal discussion on H. R. 3662, to provide for acquisition of certain lands in and outside of the District of Columbia for Federal building projects. This bill was reported in the House today.

SOCIAL SECURITY

Committee on Ways and Means: Concluded public hearings on H. R. 2893, to amend the Social Security

Act to enable States to establish more adequate public-welfare programs. Final witnesses were Dr. Wilford I. King, Committee for Constitutional Government, New York City, and Arthur J. Altmeyer, Social Security Administrator. Mr. Altmeyer answered questions for the committee concerning this part of the Social Security Act, and is scheduled as the first witness tomorrow when the committee will consider H. R. 2893, treating on old-age and survivors insurance, title II of the Social Security Act.

Joint Committee Meetings

COPPER TAXES

Conferees on H. R. 2313, to suspend certain import taxes on copper, reached an accord on Senate amendments to the bill and agreed to recommend to their respective houses that the Senate amendment on copper alloy be accepted with an amendment perfecting the language (language suggested by Treasury Department) to simplify administrative problems, and that June 30, 1950, be the termination date of the act.

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HIGHLIGHTS

Senate opened debate on ECA, and adopted conference report on copper tax bill.

Veterans' pension bill recommitted by vote of 208 to 207.

Senate group approved Veterans' Canteen Service measure.

Taft-Hartley repeal and European economic cooperation bills ordered reported by House committees.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 3074–3079

Bills Introduced: Thirteen bills and three resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1384 to S. 1396; and S. Res. 91–93. Pages 3076–3077

Bill Reported: Report was made as follows: S. 1185, providing that all employees of the Veterans' Canteen Service shall be paid from funds of the Service, with amendment (S. Rept. 155). Page 3076

Printing: Adopted S. Res. 91, providing for printing additional copies of S. Rept. 99, relative to National Labor Relations Act of 1949. Page 3076

Copper Taxes: Senate adopted conference report on H. R. 2313, to suspend certain import taxes on copper. Pages 3078–3079

ECA: Senate debated S. 1209, to amend the Economic Cooperation Act of 1948. Pages 3079–3102

Nominations: Eight hundred and ninety-eight appointments, promotions, and transfers in the Regular Army were received. Pages 3102–3106

Confirmations: Two hundred and forty miscellaneous civilian nominations, along with numerous routine armed-service nominations, were confirmed. Pages 3106–3109

Committee Meetings

LABOR-FSA APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Continuing hearings on H. R. 3333, Labor-Federal Security appropriations for 1950, subcommittee heard Secretary of Labor Tobin testify on funds for the Labor Department; and the following officials, all of the FSA, in support of funds for their respective agencies: Dr. Earl J. McGrath, Rall I. Grigsby, and Miss Marie Schutt, Office of Education; Dr. Leonard Scheele, Dr. W. Palmer Dearing, R. L. Harlow, Dr. J. W. Mountin, Dr. V. M. Hoge, Dr. Halbert L. Dunn, and Mark D. Hollis, all of the Public Health Service; Dr. Winfred Overholser and C. G. Dunlap, St. Elizabeths Hospital; and Miss Katherine F. Lenroot, Dr. Edwin F. Daily, and Mrs. Laura E. Warren, all of the Children's Bureau. Hearings continue tomorrow.

NATIONAL SECURITY ACT—DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Committee on Armed Services: Secretary of Defense Forrestal testified before the committee in support of S. 1269, to convert the National Military Establishment into an executive department to be known as the Department of Defense, and to establish the responsibility and authority of the Secretary of Defense (National Security Act amendments of 1949).

Approximately 400 routine nominations in the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, and Air Force were ordered favorably reported.

PUBLIC-HOUSING PROJECTS

Committee on Banking and Currency: Subcommittee on Housing and Rents held hearings on S. 351, to authorize sale of suburban resettlement projects known as Greenbelt, Md.; Greendale, Wis.; and Greenhills, Ohio, without regard to provisions of law requiring competitive bidding or public advertising, and received testimony from the following witnesses: Charles P. Taft and Charles Stann, both of Greenhills Home Owners Corp., Cincinnati; Karl B. Pfirrman, American Legion, Cincinnati; Mayor Thomas Canning, Greenbelt, Md.; and Sherrod East.

VETERANS' CANTEEN SERVICE

Committee on Finance: In executive session, the committee voted to report with amendment S. 1185, providing that all employees of the Veterans' Canteen Service shall be paid from funds of the Service. The amendment would make the effective date of the act begin July 1, 1949, the beginning of the new fiscal year, rather than the date of enactment of the bill.

It was also agreed that hearings on the nominations of Marion J. Harrion and Byron B. Harlan to be judges of U. S. Tax Court, would begin on April 14.

CHINA AID

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee met in executive session to hear Roger Lapham, Chief of ECA Mission to China, discuss the current situation in China.

COLORADO RIVER—INDIANS

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Arvin B. Shaw, assistant attorney general for California, continued his testimony before the committee in support of S. J. Res. 4, granting congressional consent to joinder of the U. S. in suit in the U. S. Supreme Court for adjudication of claims of water of the Colorado River Basin, and in opposition to S. 75, to authorize construction, operation, and maintenance of dams on the Colorado River at Bridge Canyon, together with certain appurtenant dams and canals. Committee continues tomorrow.

VETERANS' HOSPITALS

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Continuing hearings on proposed curtailment of the veterans' hospital construction program, subcommittee received testimony from witnesses in behalf of the veterans' hospitals in Pennsylvania and South Carolina.

Spokesmen for Pennsylvania follow: Senators Myers and Martin; Representatives Kunkel, Morgan, Fenton, and Chudoff; Lawrence Tramor, department commander, Pennsylvania American Legion; Edward A. Linsky, department adjutant, Pennsylvania American Legion; James F. Calley, director, claims service department, VFW; Dr. M. C. Stayer, director, tuberculosis control, State of Pennsylvania; Clyde Rankin, deputy adjutant general, State of Pennsylvania; Quintus E. Camp, DAV; Hiram V. Hartmann, commander, Pennsylvania Department VFW; and Paul W. Mahady, department commander, Pennsylvania AMVETS.

Spokesmen for South Carolina include: Senators Maybank and Johnston; Representative Bryson; Governor J. Strom Thurmond; R. Steadman Sloan, State service officer, Hayward Mahon, former Representative, Greenville; H. Fletcher Spigner, Jr., Columbia; George Levy, chairman, Veterans' Committee for South Carolina; William C. Ouzts, department service officer, VFW; and Philip H. Mullen, national service officer, DAV. Hearings continue tomorrow.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Twenty-nine public bills, H. R. 3774–3802; fourteen private bills, H. R. 3803–3816; and three resolutions, H. J. Res. 204 and H. Res. 165 and 166, were introduced. Pages 3146–3147

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

Conference report on H. R. 2313, copper import tax suspension (H. Rept. 312);

H. R. 3297, to authorize the addition of certain lands to Manassas National Battlefield Park, Va. (H. Rept. 313);

H. R. 3396, to amend law relating to timber operations on the Menominee Indian Reservation, Wis. (H. Rept. 314);

H. R. 3704, to provide additional revenue for the District of Columbia (H. Rept. 315);

H. Res. 166, providing for consideration of and 1 hour of general debate on H. R. 165, to authorize the American River Basin development, California, for irrigation and reclamation (H. Rept. 316); and

H. R. 2032, to repeal the Labor Management Relations Act of 1947, to reenact the National Labor Relations Act of 1935 (H. Rept. 317). Pages 3109, 3146

Rent Control: Disagreed to Senate amendments to H. R. 1731, rent-control extension bill; agreed to conference requested by the Senate and appointed Representatives Spence, Brown of Georgia, Patman, Monroney, Wolcott, Gamble, and Kunkel as conferees on the part of the House. Page 3109

Farm Loans: Disagreed to Senate amendments to H. R. 2101, to authorize Regional Agricultural Credit Corporation to make emergency loans to farmers; agreed to conference requested by the Senate; and Representatives Cooley, Granger, Pace, Hope, and August H. Andresen were appointed conferees on the part of the House. Page 3110

Pension: Resumed consideration of H. R. 2681, to provide pensions for veterans of World War I and II based on non-service-connected disability and attained age; and in the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union voted, 171 to 168, to strike out the enacting clause. Upon dissolving the Committee of the Whole and pending the vote to strike the enacting clause, the House by a roll-call vote rejected a motion to recommit the bill for further study, by 209 nays to 208 yeas, which vote, due to its closeness, was subjected to a recapitulation. Upon recapitulation the final vote was announced as 208 for and 207 against the recommital, so the bill was recommited to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

Pages 3110–3115

Civil Functions, Army: Consumed 3 hours of general debate on H. R. 3734, making appropriations for civil functions administered by the Department of the Army for fiscal year 1950. This measure provides $586,762,000 for the civil functions of the Army and does not include moneys appropriated out of existing trust funds or the corporate administrative expenses of the Panama Railroad Company. The amount provided in this bill is $180,971,220 below the budget estimates and $61,813,666 less than last year's appropriation. The House, acting in the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union, adopted an amendment to provide a small-boat harbor at Hastings, Minn., at an estimated cost of $34,270. After voting to reject an amendment authorizing the commencement of construction of the Tennessee-Tombigbee Inland Waterway, the House postponed further consideration of the bill until Friday.

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Committee Meetings

FARM-PRICE SUPPORTS

Committee on Agriculture: T. B. Walker, Chief of Program Analysis Division, Grain Branch, Production and Marketing Administration, testified before the Pace Special Subcommittee on Agricultural Production and Price Supports, and discussed corn acreage allotments as determined under the present law. He explained how the Department of Agriculture determines the national acreage allotment, the county allotment, on down to the individual farm allotment. The discussion also included the method of figuring the reserve supply level, consumer safeguards, and the possibility of having marketing quotas in 1950 if there should be a bumper corn crop and a large carry-over. Hearings will continue Monday, March 28.

MILITARY JUSTICE—PAY BILL

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee No. 1 again heard testimony from Felix Larkin, Office of Secretary of Defense, at its consideration of H. R. 2498, the military-justice bill. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

Subcommittee No. 2, at its hearings on H. R. 2553, armed services pay bill, heard the same group of service witnesses as testified yesterday: Maj. Gen. John E. Dahlquist, Department of the Army; Vice Adm. William M. Fechteler, Department of the Navy; Capt. Frank T. Kenner and Capt. A. C. Richmond, both of the U. S. Coast Guard; Maj. Gen. R. E. Nugent, Department of the Air Force; and Brig. Gen. Walter W. Wensinger, U. S. Marine Corps. No date was set for the next meeting.

CCC CHARTER—GREENTOWN PROJECTS

Committee on Banking and Currency: Members of the House, Representatives Polk, Hoeven, and Lovre, testified at today's hearings on H. R. 2682, a bill to amend the Commodity Credit Corporation Federal Charter Act, relative to the acquisition of storage facilities. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

The committee also considered H. R. 2440, which would authorize the Public Housing Commissioner to sell the suburban resettlement projects known as Greenbelt, Md.; Greendale, Wis.; and Greenhills, Ohio. J. F. Russell, president, Greenhills Home Owners Corp., testified on this bill.

PAY RAISE—SALES TAX

Committee on the District of Columbia: Ordered the following bills reported to the House:

H. R. 3088, to increase by $330 the salaries of certain D. C. employees; and

H. R. 3704, to provide for a sales tax, increase of liquor-license cost and real-estate taxes, and raising of personal income-tax exemptions in the District of Columbia.

TAFT-HARTLEY REPEAL—LABOR STUDY

Committee on Education and Labor: Ordered the following bills to be reported to the House:

H. R. 2032, to repeal the Labor-Management Relations Act of 1947, and reinstate the Wagner Labor Act, with modifications relative to a ban on jurisdictional strikes and certain secondary boycotts; a 30-day cooling-off period when a strike is impending, such strike being of a national emergency nature; and to return the Conciliation Service to the Department of Labor. The vote to report the bill was 13 to 10.

H. J. Res. 24, to create a Temporary Labor Relations Commission to make a study of recommendations concerning labor relations. This board shall consist of Members of the House and Senate along with six private citizens to be chosen by the President.

FEDERAL PROCUREMENT

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Considered, but took no action on, H. R. 2781, to reorganize and simplify the procurement, utilization, and disposal of Government property. This same bill will be considered again at an open meeting tomorrow morning.

ECONOMIC COOPERATION ACT

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Voted unanimously to report H. R. 3748 to the House. This measure amends the Economic Cooperation Act of 1948 and authorizes an appropriation of $5,380,000,000 to carry the European recovery program through the next 15 months.

FLOATING DRYDOCKS

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Held open hearings to consider the installation of Navy surplus floating drydocks at Maritime Commission reserve fleet sites. The following witnesses testified: Representative Jackson of Washington, and Adm. W. W. Smith, Chairman, U. S. Maritime Commission, accompanied by Charles D. Marshall, General Manager, Ernest W. Gorman, Chief, Division of Reserve Fleet, and Frank E. Hickey, Chief, Bureau of Marine Operations. Will continue on same subject at 10:30 tomorrow morning following an executive session of the full committee scheduled for 10 a. m.

NATIONAL CENSUS

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: J. C. Capt, Director, accompanied by John Moore, budget officer, both of the Bureau of the Census, testified before the McCarthy subcommittee on H. R. 3198, to continue authority on a permanent basis to use Federal employees for the taking of the census. This bill was approved for reporting to the full committee.

The above-named officials of the Census Bureau also testified before the Morrison subcommittee on H. R. 142, excepting certain persons from the requirement of paying fees for certain census data. No action was taken on this bill.

MINE INCENTIVE PAYMENTS

Committee on Public Lands: James Boyd, Director, Bureau of Mines, Department of the Interior, discussed the provisions of H. R. 976 and 2031, mine incentive payments bills, at the hearings held on these measures by the Subcommittee on Mines and Mining. No final action was taken on the legislation.

RIVERS AND HARBORS

Committee on Public Works: The Subcommittee on Rivers and Harbors approved sundry review resolutions which will be reported for the consideration of the full committee.

AMERICAN RIVER BASIN

Committee on Rules: Granted a rule providing for 1 hour's general debate on H. R. 165, to authorize the American River Basin development in California for irrigation purposes. Representatives Engle and Welch, both of California, and Murdock spoke on behalf of this legislation.

The committee also considered rules for H. R. 2023, to repeal certain taxes on oleomargarine; H. R. 2032, to repeal the Taft-Hartley Act; and H. R. 3748, to amend the Economic Cooperation Act of 1948. Further action on these bills was postponed until a meeting scheduled for Monday, March 28. Requesting an open rule on the oleomargarine bill was Representative Cooley, Chairman of the Agriculture Committee. Representative Poage spoke in favor of his own bill, H. R. 3, which would repeal oleo taxes and permit it to be colored yellow. Representative Granger and Murray of Wisconsin both urged the rule and requested 4 hours' House debate. Representative August H. Andresen requested 6 hours' debate and was opposed to the bill in its present form. Representative Lesinski spoke in favor of a rule for the Taft-Hartley repeal bill; and the following Members spoke in favor of action on the Economic Cooperation Act amendments: Representatives Kee, Ribicoff, Vorys, Judd, and Mansfield.

SOCIAL SECURITY

Committee on Ways and Means: Opened public hearings on H. R. 2893, amending the Social Security Act relative to old-age and survivors insurance. This is the second title of the Social Security Act to be considered by this committee, and today's witness was Arthur J. Altmeyer, Social Security Administrator. He is also scheduled to continue with his testimony at tomorrow's hearings.

Friday, March 25, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate continued debate on ECA.
House debated Army civil functions appropriation bill.
China-aid bill approved by House committee.
Conferees agree on emergency farm-loan bill, and on provisions of rent-control extension.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 3148–3154

Bills Introduced: Seventeen bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1397 to S. 1413; S. J. Res. 69; and S. Res. 94. Pages 3152, 3190

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. J. Res. 32, to authorize cancellation of agreement between port of Seattle and U. S. regarding shipping facilities (S. Rept. 156);

S. 1411, school health service (S. Rept. 157);

S. 246, Federal aid to education, with amendments (S. Rept. 158);

H. R. 164, conveying certain lands to Churntown Elementary School District, Calif. (S. Rept. 159); and

H. R. 1401, disposition of certain lands to Mount Hope Cemetery Association of Michigan, with amendment (S. Rept. 160). Pages 3152, 3153

President's Message: Received message from President requesting legislation providing for a commission on repair and modernization of White House—referred to Committee on Public Works. Page 3190

Rereferral of Bill: Committee on Public Works was discharged from further consideration of S. 1390, easements to State of California for toll highway crossing, and it was rereferred to Committee on Armed Services. Page 3154

ECA: Senate continued debate on S. 1209, to amend Economic Cooperation Act of 1948. Pages 3147–3148, 3172–3190, 3197–3199

Nominations: One civilian and one Navy nomination were received, along with one civilian withdrawal. Page 3199

Committee Meetings

LABOR-FSA APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Continuing hearings on H. R. 3333, Labor-FSA appropriations for 1950, subcommittee received testimony from Senators Pepper, Stennis, and Murray on funds for public health and related items; from Senators Taft and Hunt, and Dr. Carl Flagstadt on dental research; Senator Humphrey and Representative Trimble on vocational education; Senator Chapman and Representatives Underwood and Lucas on mental health; and James S. Adams, National Advisory Committee for Cancer and National Advisory Committee for Heart, and Dr. C. T. Rhoads, Cancer Memorial Hospital, New York, on funds for heart and cancer research and cure. Hearings continue Monday.

PUBLIC LANDS, AND PRIVATE BILLS

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: In executive session, the committee voted to report the following bills: Without amendment, S. 392, private patent-in-fee bill, and H. R. 164, conveying certain lands to Churntown Elementary School District, Calif.; and with amendment, S. 716, private patent-in-fee bill, and H. R. 1401, disposition of certain lands to Mount Hope Cemetery Association of Michigan.

VETERANS' HOSPITALS

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee continued hearings on proposed curtailment of the veterans' hospital construction program, receiving testimony from witnesses speaking in behalf of the veterans' hospitals in Texas, Minnesota, and Tennessee.

Spokesmen for Texas follow: Ward Moody, department adjutant, American Legion, Texas; Ernest S. Goens, state's attorney for the Court of Criminal Appeals; J. Warren Hoyt, VFW; George E. Ijams, VFW; and Quintus E. Camp, DAV.

A. B. Kapplin, representing the Duluth, Minn., Chamber of Commerce, American Legion, and other organizations, was spokesman for Minnesota.

G. W. Steagall, director, department of veterans affairs, and rehabilitation chairman, American Legion, spoke for Tennessee.

Dr. Hyman D. Shapiro, medical consultant, American Legion, also testified. Hearings continue tomorrow.

POSTAL RATES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: The following witnesses appeared before the subcommittee to testify in opposition to S. 1103, to readjust postal rates: John O'Connor, National Postal Committee for Books, New York; Gilbert Goodkind, American Booksellers, New York; Paul Barnett, American Textbook Publishers Institute; Ethelbert Warfield, American Book Publishers Council; Malcolm Johnson, Book Publishers and Distributors; Paul Howard, American Library Association; Russell Reynolds, National Association of College Stores, Chicago; George J. Hecht, Parents Institute, Inc., New York; Ed M. Anderson, National Editorial Association; W. D. Archie, publisher, Evening Sentinel, Shenandoah, Iowa; and James Murphy, Afro-American Newspapers. Subcommittee continues Monday.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Seventeen public bills, H. R. 3817–3833; four private bills, H. R. 3834–3837; and one resolution, H. Res. 167, were introduced. Pages 3236–3237

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. R. 2820, to amend act entitled "An act to provide for the purchase of public lands for home and other sites," approved June 1, 1938 (H. Rept. 318);

H. R. 3284, to authorize grantees of recreational demonstration project lands to make land exchanges relating to such properties (H. Rept. 319);

H. R. 1222, to authorize exchange of certain fishery facilities within the State of Washington (H. Rept. 320);

H. R. 3420, to authorize exchange of wildlife refuge lands within the State of Washington (H. Rept. 321);

H. J. Res. 203, to maintain the status quo with respect to the exemption, from the tax on transportation of persons, of foreign travel via Newfoundland (H. Rept. 322);

H. R. 3748, to amend the Economic Cooperation Act of 1948 (H. Rept. 323); and

Minority views on H. R. 3704, to provide additional revenue for the District of Columbia (H. Rept. 315, part II). Pages 3233, 3236

Copper-Import Taxes: Agreed to conference report (H. Rept. 312) on H. R. 2312, to suspend certain import taxes on copper and copper-bearing ores, thus clearing the measure for the President. Pages 3199–3200

Civil Functions, Army: Resumed consideration of H. R. 3734, making appropriations for civil functions administered by the Department of the Army for fiscal year 1950, and while in the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union, adopted the following amendments:

To provide $496,000 for prosecution of work at Gulfport Harbor, Miss.

To provide $500,000 for Red Run project on the Clinton River.

To bar use of funds for acquiring land in connection with Garrison Reservoir, N. Dak.

To increase by $6,000,000 the funds allotted to flood control on the Mississippi River and tributaries.

It was announced that a separate vote on each amendment would be requested when the House further considers the measure on Tuesday, March 29. Pages 3202–3233

Rent Control: Speaker pro tempore announced appointment of Mr. Talle to serve in lieu of Mr. Wolcott as a conferee on H. R. 1731, rent-control extension bill. Page 3233

Committee Meetings

CROP INSURANCE

Committee on Agriculture: A review of the Federal Crop Insurance Corporation's program was given by Gus F. Geissler, member of its Board of Directors. He discussed amendments to the act as they related to the years 1947 and 1948 and gave a report to the committee with regard to the activities of the Corporation and the effect of the various amendments. He also discussed proposed legislation for this session of Congress. It is his intention to present detailed information with regard to the operations of the program in all of the various counties and the experience the Corporation has had in the counties, to the end that the committee may determine how successful the experiment has been in the various sections of the country. Hearings will continue next Tuesday.

MILITARY JUSTICE

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee No. 1 met for the purpose of marking up H. R. 2498, the military justice bill, and will continue on the same subject tomorrow.

CCC CHARTER

Committee on Banking and Currency: Concluded public hearings on H. R. 2682, to amend the Commodity Credit Corporation Federal Charter Act relative to the acquisition of storage facilities. Testifying today were Walter R. Scott, executive vice president, Kansas City Board of Trade, Missouri; Ronald C. Booth, Cedar Rapids, Iowa; and Dale H. Johnston, Enid, Okla., representing the National Grain Trade Council. Their testimony was in general opposition to the bill with the contention that existing grain-storage facilities are ade-

quate, and, if not adequate, private interests can and will supply any deficiency.

A statement was presented on behalf of Lindsay C. Warren, U. S. Comptroller General, which said in part, "My review of H. R. 2682 indicates that enactment of sections 1, 3, and 4, as drafted by the Department of Agriculture, would, in the light of experience and the wishes of the Secretary of Agriculture as indicated before the Senate Committee on Agriculture and Forestry on February 16, 1949, constitute a substantial obstacle to achieving the most effective conditions of organization and management."

NURSERIES—DOCTORS—STARLINGS

Committee on the District of Columbia: The Subcommittee on Health, Education, and Recreation approved the following bills for reporting to the full committee: H. R. 1383, as amended, to continue on a permanent basis a system of nursery and day-care schools for D. C. children; H. R. 2056, relative to healing-arts practice in the District; and H. R. 2886, to provide for killing of starlings in the District.

FEDERAL PROPERTY ACT

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: The Subcommittee on Executive and Legislative Reorganization held open hearings on H. R. 2781, to reorganize and simplify the procurement, utilization, and disposal of Government property. Testifying today were: Maxwell H. Elliott, general counsel, FWA; Harry Kurth, Assistant Director, and Willis S. MacLeod, Deputy Director, Standards, both of the Bureau of Federal Supply; Leonard Niederlehner, counsel to the Munitions Board; John H. Joss, general counsel, WAA; James Scammahorn, Assistant Director of Finance, Agriculture Department; and William C. Crow, Director of Market and Facilities Branch.

AID TO CHINA—EUROPEAN RECOVERY

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Approved H. R. 3830, a clean bill, amending the China Aid Act of 1948, to authorize appropriation of funds to be used by the President for economic assistance to China from the period between April 3, 1949, through February 15, 1950. This appropriation is nearly $53,000,000 of the funds unused as of April 2, 1949, as authorized by the act of 1948. Witnesses testifying were Roger Lapham, Chief, ECA Mission to China; Raymond T. Moyer, member of the Joint Commission on Rural Reconstruction; and A. I. Henderson, general counsel, ECA.

Reported H. R. 3748 to the House. This bill amends the Economic Cooperation Act of 1948, and authorizes appropriations for the extension of the European recovery program.

PATENTS—IMMIGRATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 4 met in executive session with the Commissioner of Patents and other Patent Office officials, also former chairman of the House Committee on Patents, Fritz Lanham, and discussed patent matters generally.

Subcommittee No. 1 agreed to recommend favorably to the full committee three private immigration bills; three are to be reported adversely.

FISHERIES—WILDLIFE—DRYDOCKS

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Ordered the following bills reported to the House:

H. R. 1140, amended, to protect and conserve the salmon fisheries of Alaska;

H. R. 1222, to authorize the exchange of certain fishery facilities within the State of Washington;

H. R. 3420, to authorize exchange of wildlife refuge lands within the State of Washington; and

H. Res. 147, amended, requesting the Secretary of State to investigate the domestic fishing industry.

Following the above action, the full committee held open hearings on the subject of installation of Navy surplus floating drydocks at Maritime Commission reserve fleet sites. Today's witnesses were: Ernest W. Gorman, Chief, Division of Reserve Fleet, Admiral W. W. Smith, Chairman, and William U. Kirsch, all of the U. S. Maritime Commission; and Frank E. Hickey, Chief, Bureau of Marine Operations. Adjourned subject to the call of the Chair.

POSTAL RATES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Continued hearings on H. R. 2945, to increase certain postal rates, and heard the following witnesses on the subject of second-class mail: Ed M. Anderson, chairman, legislative committee, National Editorial Association, Brevard, N. C., accompanied by Willard Archie, publisher, The Evening Sentinel, Shenandoah, Iowa, representing newspaper division, National Editorial Association; O. R. Strackbein, representing International Allied Printing Trades Association, Washington, D. C.; and George J. Hecht, president, Parents Institute, Inc., New York City. Hearings will be continued Monday.

SOCIAL SECURITY

Committee on Ways and Means: Arthur J. Altmeyer, Social Security Administrator, was the only witness at the second day's hearings on H. R. 2893, amending title II of the Social Security Act, relative to old-age and survivors insurance. Hearings will be continued on Monday.

Joint Committee Meetings

EMERGENCY FARM LOANS

Conferees on H. R. 2101, to abolish the Regional Agricultural Credit Corporation and authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to make production disaster loans, reached a complete compromise agreeing to accept the Senate-passed version of the bill.

RENT CONTROL

Conferees on H. R. 1731, extension of rent control, stayed in continuous session throughout the day, reaching the following agreements between the House- and Senate-passed versions of the bill:

(1) Agreed to accept the Senate version of title I in general;

(2) Adopted tenants' or landlords' appeal procedure of Senate bill generally as to dealing with decontrol or rent increases;

(3) Accepted the Senate language as to landlords' certificates to continue previous service after receiving hardship adjustment;

(4) On decontrol provisions, the House language was generally accepted, except that on recontrol of new areas or areas decontrolled before enactment of this bill—they may be controlled only on recommendation of local board;

(5) Under local-option provision, the Senate language was accepted in general with modification to allow incorporated city, town, or village to decontrol by passing a resolution appropriately substantiated, based on a finding after public hearing that there exists no shortage in rental housing requiring control, provided that the resolution is approved by the Governor. After such a decontrol in the major portion of a rental area, the Expediter is directed to decontrol any unincorporated locality in the remainder of that area; and

(6) It is agreed that section 608 of title VI of the National Housing Act on insurance of mortgages for construction of rental housing be extended until June 30, 1949.

Conferees were given permission to have until midnight Sunday to file a report. They continue tomorrow.

Monday, March 28, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate continued debate on ECA, and discussed conference report on rent-control extension.

House passed D. C. daylight-saving-time bill and debated D. C. revenue bill.

Senate Judiciary Committee voted to report numerous judiciary and private claims bills.

Bills on oleomargarine tax repeal and European recovery extension program cleared for House action by Rules Committee.

Conferees filed report on rent-control extension.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 3238–3247

Bills Introduced: Twenty-three bills and three resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1414 to S. 1436; S. J. Res. 70; and S. Con. Res. 24 and S. Con. Res. 25. Pages 3241–3243

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 1168, tort claims against Panama Railroad (S. Rept. 167);

S. 635, to increase witness fees, with amendment (S. Rept. 187);

S. 1042, relating to payment of fees, expenses, and costs of jurors, with amendment (S. Rept. 188);

And the following private bills: S. 146, 147, 195, 227, 683, 948, S. Con. Res. 24, 25, H. R. 555, 572, 576, 581, 591, 592, 618, 659, 729, 739, 745, 1036, 1043, 1061, 1066, 1959, 2708, 652, 1501, S. 189, 392, 716, 646, 647, and 676 (S. Repts. 161 to 166, 168 to 186, 189 to 196, respectively). Pages 3240–3242

Rent Control: Senate ordered to be printed as a Senate document (S. Doc. No. 35) the conference report on H. R. 1731, extension of rent control. Pages 3277–3282

ECA: Senate continued debate on S. 1209, to amend Economic Cooperation Act of 1948. Pages 3238, 3247–3277

Rent Control: Conference report on H. R. 1731, extension of rent control, was called up and discussed at some length; but no action was taken. Pages 3277–3282, 3288

Nominations: Eight hundred and seventy-six nominations in the Navy, and two in the Coast Guard were received. Pages 3284–3286

Confirmation: The nomination of John R. Nichols of New Mexico to be Commissioner of Indian Affairs was confirmed. Page 3286

Committee Meetings

LABOR-FSA APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee continued hearings on H. R. 3333, Labor-FSA appropriations for 1950, receiving testimony from the following witnesses on proposed funds for construction of facilities and training and fellowship grants for heart disease and cancer: Dr. Paul D. White, National Advisory Council; Dr. T. Duckett Jones, American Heart Association; and John H. Teeter, American Cancer Society.

Frank P. Douglass and M. D. Lewis, National Mediation Board, and Hartman Barber, Brotherhood of Railway and Steamship Clerks, appeared on funds for the National Mediation Board. Hearings continue tomorrow.

TREASURY-POST OFFICE APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee opened hearings on H. R. 3083, Treasury-Post Office appropriations for 1950, with Secretary of the Treasury Snyder and immediate assistants testifying in support of funds for the Treasury, and A. L. M. Wiggins, former Under Secretary of Treasury and present Chairman of the Commission Making Management Study of the Bureau of Internal Revenue Operations, discussing funds and operations of the Bureau of Internal Revenue. Hearings continue tomorrow.

D. C. HOME RULE

Committee on the District of Columbia: Subcommittee on Home Rule and Reorganization for the District of Columbia held hearings on S. 1365, providing for home rule and reorganization in the District of Columbia, with the following witnesses testifying generally in support of the proposed legislation, many of whom made suggestions or proposed certain amendments: C. F. Preller, Washington Central Labor Union; J. C. Turner and James William Bryan, Democratic Central Committee; Mrs. Kathryn H. Stone, National League of Women Voters; Mrs. Milton Dunn, League of Women Voters; Clarence Pierce and Mrs. Frances Adams, Americans for Democratic Action; Ganson Purcell, Washington Home Rule Committee; Wilbur Finch, Central Suffrage Conference; H. N. Stull, Federation of Citizens Associations; Dr. Clarke Foreman, Progressive Party; George Weaver, District Industrial Union Council; John H. Martini, local 209, AFL; Mrs. Charlotte Sillers, Women's Auxiliary, UPW-CIO; Alexander B. Hawes; Harry Wender; Charles E. Sands, Hotel and Restaurant Employees' International Alliance; and Woolsey Hall, Federation of Civic Associations.

The following two witnesses testified in opposition to the bill: Jerome McKee, American Legion, and Marshall Shepherd, Recorder of Deeds.

William Thomas submitted plans for reorganization of D. C. departments, and Mrs. Juliet G. Munroe suggested a formula.

COLORADO RIVER

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Edwin G. Nielsen, engineer, regional planning, Boulder City, Nev., Bureau of Reclamation, appeared before the committee on Saturday and today to give his views on S. J. Res. 4, granting congressional consent to joinder of the U. S. in suit in the U. S. Supreme Court for adjudication of claims of water of the Colorado River Basin, and S. 75, to authorize construction, operation, and maintenance of dams on the Colorado River at Bridge Canyon, together with certain appurtenant dams and canals. Hearings continue tomorrow.

JUDICIARY AND PRIVATE CLAIMS BILLS, AND NOMINATIONS

Committee on the Judiciary: In executive session, the committee voted to report, with amendment, the following bills: S. 635, to increase witness fees, S. 734, to provide counsel for impoverished defendants in certain criminal cases in the U. S. district courts, and S. 1042, relating to payment of fees, expenses, and costs of jurors; without amendment, S. 1168, tort claims against Panama Railroad, and S. 646, 647, and 676, patent bills. It authorized the introduction and reporting of two original concurrent resolutions on deportation referral cases.

Twenty-seven private claims bills were ordered reported: S. 146, 147, 189, 195, 227, 683, 948, 1002, H. R. 555, 572, 576, 581, 591, 592, 618, 652, 659, 729, 739, 745, 1036, 1043, 1061 1066, 1501, 2708, and 1959.

The nominations of four Federal marshals, one U. S. attorney for Rhode Island, and one Federal district judge for the District of Columbia were ordered reported favorably.

VETERANS' HOSPITALS

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee temporarily concluded hearings on proposed curtailment of veterans' hospital construction program, after receiving testimony from spokesmen for the State of Tennessee. The names of the witnesses follow: Senators McKellar and Kefauver; Representatives Frazier and Phillips; E. W. Wimpee, Veterans Committee of Hamilton County; Dr. H. H. Shoulders and Dr. L. W. Edwards, veterans committee, Tennessee State Medical Association; Col. George E. Ijams, VFW; Quintus E. Camp, DAV; and Halbert Harville, national executive committee of American Legion of Tennessee, and past department commander. Subcommittee adjourned today subject to call of the Chair.

On Saturday, the subcommittee heard witnesses representing the State of Minnesota and the District of Columbia.

Spokesmen for Minnesota include: Representatives Wier and Blatnik; James C. Kelley, director of rehabilitation, Department of Minnesota, American Legion; Dr. H. D. Shapiro, American Legion; T. O. Kraabel, American Legion; Col. George E. Ijams, VFW; G. J. Cannon, national service officer, Marine Corps League; and Quintus E. Camp, DAV.

The witnesses in behalf of the District of Columbia were: Joseph A. Walker, senior commander, Department of D. C., American Legion; Waldron E. Leonard, director, D. C. Service Center; T. O. Kraabel, American Legion; Dr. H. D. Shapiro, American Legion; Col. George E. Ijams, VFW; Robert Charlton, department service officer, D. C. Department, VFW; Douglas McCabe, national service officer, DAV; and Quintus E. Camp, DAV.

POSTAL RATES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Continuing hearings on S. 1103, to readjust postal rates, the subcommittee heard the following witnesses testify in opposition to the bill: E. Urner Goodman, national director, division of program, Boy Scouts of America; George Warfel, National Association, Special Delivery Messengers; J. T. Sanders, National Grange; and James Finucane, National Council for Prevention of War. Subcommittee meets again Wednesday.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Twenty-five public bills, H. R. 3838–3862; three private bills, H. R. 3863–3865; and four resolutions, H. J. Res. 205, and H. Res. 168–170, were introduced. Pages 3289, 3293, 3320–3321

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. R. 3838, Interior Department appropriation bill for 1950 (H. Rept. 324);

H. Res. 168, providing for consideration of, and 3 hours of general debate on, H. R. 2023, to regulate oleomargarine and to repeal certain taxes relating to oleomargarine (H. Rept. 325);

Disposition of executive papers (H. Repts. 326 and 327);

H. Res. 169, providing for consideration of, and 4 hours of general debate on, H. R. 3748, to amend the Economic Cooperation Act of 1948 (H. Rept. 328);

H. R. 3830, amending China-Aid Act of 1948 (H. Rept. 329);

H. R. 1140, to protect the salmon fisheries of Alaska (H. Rept. 330);

H. Res. 170, providing for 2 hours' general debate on, and waiving points of order against, H. R. 3838, Interior Department appropriation bill for 1950 (H. Rept. 331); and

Conference report on H. R. 1731, extension of rent control (H. Rept. 332). Pages 3288, 3320

Tax-Exempt Foreign Travel: Adopted H. J. Res. 203, to continue the exemption, from the tax on transportation of persons, of foreign travel via Newfoundland. Page 3286

District of Columbia: The House considered District of Columbia bills and took the following actions:

Daylight-saving time: Passed, by 223 yeas to 130 nays, S. 135, to authorize the D. C. Commissioners to establish daylight-saving time in the District, after adopting a committee amendment which restricts the authorization to 1 year. The daylight-saving period will run from not earlier than the last Sunday of April to the last Sunday of September.

Revenue: After spending more than 4 hours considering H. R. 3704, to provide additional revenue for the District of Columbia, the House postponed the final vote on passage until Tuesday. In addition to a 2-percent sales tax this measure provides for a 15-cent-per-$100 valuation increase in the real-estate tax rate, a 50-percent increase in liquor license fees, and a broadening of the income-tax base to cover persons living here 7 months of the year or longer. Adopted an amendment to relieve property owners that rent real or personal property from the payment of a franchise tax. Pages 3289–3319

Committee Meetings

CORN-ACREAGE ALLOTMENTS

Committee on Agriculture: The Pace Special Subcommittee on Farm Price Supports heard T. B. Walker, Chief, Program Analysis Division, Grain Branch, Department of Agriculture, who discussed legislative provisions and administrative procedures for determining corn-acreage allotments on a National, State, and county basis. He reviewed the applicable provisions for determining individual farm corn-acreage allotments, contained in section 329 (b) of the Agricultural Adjust-

ment Act of 1938, and stated that by 1941 the farm acreage allotments for corn, determined under the provisions of the act by the continuous application of procedures developed in accordance with the regulations prescribed by the Secretary, were established in such a satisfactory manner that they could serve as a basis for the determination of future allotments. Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

SURPLUS AIRPORT PROPERTY

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: The Subcommittee on Intergovernmental Relations approved for reporting to the full committee H. R. 3851, a clean bill, regarding fair compensation price for public use of surplus airport buildings as industrial plants or factories. Thomas Peyton, representing the WAA, and George Borsari, representing CAA, testified on this bill. The subcommittee also considered H. R. 186, regarding disposal of certain agricultural lands acquired by the Government for defense purposes. Hearings on this bill will be continued tomorrow.

AID TO CHINA

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Reported H. R. 3830 to the House. This bill amends the China Aid Act of 1948, and authorizes appropriation of funds to be used by the President for economic assistance to China from April 3, 1949, through February 15, 1950.

OVERCHARGES AND UNDERCHARGES

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Dr. Walter M. W. Splawn, chairman, legislative committee, Interstate Commerce Commission, testified in support of H. R. 1709, to provide a 2-year limitation on the time within which actions may be brought for the recovery of undercharges and overcharges by or against motor carriers, common carriers by water, and freight forwarders. This hearing was held by the Subcommittee on Transportation, which also had under consideration H. R. 3162, a similar bill providing for a 3-year limitation. Hearings on these bills will be continued tomorrow.

COAST GUARD—COLORADO RIVER SYSTEM

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 4 met in executive session with a subcommittee of the Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries to consider the revision of title 14 of the U. S. Code, entitled "Coast Guard." The discussion will be continued at 9 a. m. March 29 in room 327.

Subcommittee No. 3 heard the following witnesses on H. J. Res. 3, etc., granting the consent of Congress to joinder of the United States in suit in the U. S. Supreme Court for adjudication of claims to waters of the Colorado River system: Representatives Murdock, Sheppard, Phillips of California, Hinshaw, Poulson, McDonough, and Engle of California; and Arvin B. Shaw, assistant attorney general of California. Hearings will be continued Monday, April 4, at 11 a. m.

POSTAL RATES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: At the hearings on H. R. 2945, to increase certain postal rates, further witnesses testified on the subject of second-class mail, as follows: James Finucane, associate secretary, National Council for Prevention of War, Washington, D. C.; A. L. Cole, general business manager, Readers Digest, Pleasantville, N. Y.; E. Urner Goodman, director of the division of program, Boy Scouts of America, representing a group of social-welfare organizations, New York City; W. H. Eaton, president, the American Home magazine, New York City; and William B. Lipphard, president, Associated Church Press, New York City. Hearings will be continued Wednesday.

ALASKA-HAWAII BILLS

Committee on Public Lands: The Subcommittee on Territorial and Insular Possessions approved three bills for reporting to the full committee, all as amended: H. R. 225, authorizing Alaska Legislature to amend laws imposing business taxes; H. R. 2387, authorizing Governor of Alaska to fix election fees; and H. R. 173, amending Hawaiian Organic Act to prevent loss of nationality. Irwin W. Silverman, Chief Counsel, Division of Territories, Department of the Interior, testified on behalf of the above-approved bills. Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

OLEO—ECA—INTERIOR APPROPRIATION

Committee on Rules: Granted the following rules:

H. Res. 168, an open rule providing for 3 hours' general debate on H. R. 2023, to repeal certain taxes on oleomargarine;

H. Res. 169, an open rule providing 4 hours' general debate on, and waiving points of order against, H. R. 3748, amending the Economic Cooperation Act of 1948; and

H. Res. 170, an open rule providing 2 hours' debate on, and waiving points of order against, H. R. 3838, Department of Interior appropriation bill for 1950.

Speaking on behalf of H. R. 3748, extending the European recovery program bill (ECA), were Representatives Kee, Eaton, Douglas, Ribicoff, Vorys, Bolton of Ohio, and Fulton. Urging the rule for the Interior appropriation bill were Representatives Cannon, Fenton, Kirwan, and Jensen. The committee meets tomorrow morning to consider a rule on H. R. 2032, the Taft-Hartley repeal bill.

SOCIAL SECURITY—CIGARETTE TAXES

Committee on Ways and Means: Arthur J. Altmeyer, Social Security Administrator, continued his testimony for the third straight day at the committee's hearings on H. R. 2893, amending title II of the Social Security Act, relative to old-age and survivors insurance. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

In the afternoon the committee began hearings on H. R. 195, to assist States in collecting sales and use taxes on cigarettes, and heard the following witnesses: Judge Thurman Arnold; J. Harvey Wilson, Sr., of Murphy, N. C.; and Hill F. Best, Grosse Point, Mich. Hearings were recessed until 7 p. m. tomorrow, to be held in the main committee room, New House Office Building.

Joint Committee Meetings

RENT CONTROL

Conferees on H. R. 1731, extension of rent control, reached final agreement, after staying in session Saturday and today, to file a report on differences between House- and Senate-passed versions of the bill. The report which was submitted to the two Houses for approval, includes the following compromises:

(1) Agreed to accept the Senate version of title I in general;

(2) Adopted tenants' or landlords' appeal procedure of Senate bill generally as to dealing with decontrol or rent increases;

(3) Accepted the Senate language as to landlords' certificates to continue previous service after receiving hardship adjustment;

(4) On decontrol provisions, the House language was generally accepted, except that on recontrol of new areas or areas decontrolled before enactment of this bill, they may be controlled only on recommendation of local board;

(5) Under local-option provision, the Senate language was accepted in general with modification to allow incorporated city, town, or village to decontrol by passing a resolution based on a finding after public hearing that there exists no shortage in rental housing requiring control, provided that the resolution is approved by the Governor. After such a decontrol in the major portion of a rental area, the Expediter is directed to decontrol any unincorporated locality in the remainder of that area;

(6) Agreed that section 608 of title VI of the National Housing Act, on insurance of mortgages for construction of rental housing, be extended until June 30, 1949;

(7) In the case of hotels, as agreed upon, all controls would be removed on hotels in cities under 2½ million; in larger cities, provision is made for bringing under control permanent accommodations on March 1, 1949, in other than transient hotels—transient hotel accommodations in such cities would be decontrolled;

(8) As to rents, the House language of the bill relative to fair returns from rentals was accepted with modification to provide that ceiling rents be adjusted to yield a fair net operating income; and

(9) In the case of luxury apartments, the Senate version was accepted with modification to provide the Expediter with authority to decontrol any or all such accommodations without regard to rental price if in his judgment such action would result in additional housing accommodation by conversion.

Tuesday, March 29, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

Both Houses cleared rent-control extension bill for President.
Senate passed D. C. rent control and continued debate on ECA.
Army civil-functions appropriation and D. C. sales-tax bills passed by House.
House committee opened hearings on pension bill for World War I veterans.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 3323–3328

Bills Introduced: Eighteen bills and five resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1437 to S. 1454; S. J. Res. 71; S. Con. Res. 26; and S. Res. 95 to S. Res. 97 Pages 3324–3328, 3394

Bill Reported: Report was made as follows: S. 734, to provide counsel for impoverished defendants in certain criminal cases in U. S. district courts, with amendment (S. Rept. 197). Page 3324

Bill Referred: One House-passed bill was referred to appropriate committee. Page 3328

Senator Graham: Senator Frank Porter Graham was sworn into office as a Senator from the State of North Carolina to replace Senator Broughton, deceased.

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D. C. Daylight Saving: Senate concurred in House amendments to S. 135, D. C. daylight-saving time, clearing the bill for the President. Page 3352

Rent Control: By vote of 78 yeas to 11 nays, Senate adopted conference report on H. R. 1731, extension of rent control, after rejecting by 33 yeas to 53 nays Bricker motion to recommit the report to the committee on conference. Following rejection of Bricker motion, the Vice President overruled point of order made by Senator Cain against conference report, point of order being based on allegation that conferees exceeded authority so far as provision regarding decontrol of luxury housing was concerned. (For details on report see p. D159.) Pages 3328–3342

D. C. Rent Control: By voice vote, Senate passed H. R. 1757, extension of D. C. rent control, after taking the following action on amendments by voice vote: All committee amendments were agreed to as well as the following six McCarthy amendments to bring D. C. rent-control legislation into line with national legislation on the subject: (1) Deleting criminal provisions, (2) dealing with return on investment allowed landlords, (3) defining the word "hotel," (4) regarding recovery of possession of cooperative housing, (5) providing that conversion of accommodations not to result in rent control unless cost of improvement exceeded $1,000, and (6) providing nothing in act is to be construed as authorizing recontrol of housing already decontrolled; and rejected Aiken amendment prohibiting eviction when member of tenant's family is ill if rent is current.

Senate insisted on its amendments and the following conferees were appointed: Senators McGrath, Frear, and McCarthy. Pages 3342–3349, 3351–3352

ECA: Senate continued debate on S. 1209, to amend the Economic Cooperation Act of 1948, with the Taft-Russell amendment to reduce the authorized appropriations in the bill by 10 percent as the pending question. Pages 3342, 3352–3353, 3355–3379, 3383–3394

Confirmations: The nomination of Edward Allen Tamm, of the D. C., to be U. S. district judge, was confirmed along with five other civilian nominations.

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Committee Meetings

LABOR-FSA APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Continuing hearings on H. R. 3333, Labor-FSA appropriations for 1950, subcommittee heard Senator Long make a statement on vocational education; William J. Kennedy, Chairman, Walter Matscheck, Director of Research, George F. Pusack, Director of Finance, and David B. Schreiber, Associate General Counsel, all of the Railroad Retirement Board, appeared in behalf of funds for the Board; Mrs. Katherine Ellickson, research department, CIO, discussed funds for the Labor Department; J. Knox Milligan, Walter Myers, and J. W. Connolly, attorney, all of The Stanwix House, Pittsburgh, Pa., appeared in behalf of appropriations for the American Printing House for Blind; W. J. Houston, American Federation of Government Employees, discussed mental health and narcotic hospitals; Luther Steward, National Federation of Federal Employees, discussed employee health programs; and John Thomas Taylor and Elbert H. Burns, both of American Legion, devoted their testimony to funds for the Veterans Employment Service. Hearings continue tomorrow.

TREASURY-POST OFFICE APPROPRIATIONS—INTERNAL REVENUE

Committee on Appropriations: Continuing hearings on H. R. 3083, Treasury-Post Office appropriations for 1950, the subcommittee received testimony from George J. Schoeneman, Commissioner of Internal Revenue, and his subordinates on proposed appropriations for the Bureau of Internal Revenue. Hearings continue tomorrow.

NATIONAL SECURITY ACT—DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Committee on Armed Services: Ferdinand Eberstadt, Eberstadt & Co., New York, who participated as a member of task force to the Hoover Commission, appeared before the committee to express his views on S. 1269, to convert the National Military Establishment into an executive department to be known as the Department of Defense, and to establish the responsibility and authority of the Secretary of Defense (National Security Act amendments of 1949). Committee adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

REORGANIZATION

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Committee met in executive session to discuss generally S. 526 and H. R. 2361, Reorganization Act of 1949, devoting their attention primarily to the constitutionality of various provisions of the bills relating to congressional disapproval of reorganization plans submitted by the President. Committee meets again Friday.

ECA

Committee on Foreign Relations: In executive session the committee discussed the Brewster amendment to the ECA bill (S. 1209) to prohibit the allocation of any funds provided in the bill to countries which failed to comply with orders or requests of the Security Council of the UN.

COLORADO RIVER

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Continuing its hearings on S. 75, to authorize construction, operation, and maintenance of dams on the Colorado River at Bridge Canyon, together with certain appurtenant dams and canals, and S. J. Res. 4, granting congressional consent to joinder of the U. S. in suit in the U. S. Supreme Court for adjudication of claims of water of the Colorado River Basin, the committee heard E. B. Debler, consulting engineer for the State of Arizona, formerly regional director of Region 7 of the Bureau of Reclamation, testify in support of S. 75, basing his testimony on engineering studies of the flow of the Colorado River. Mr. Debler continues his testimony tomorrow.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Eighteen public bills, H. R. 3866–3883; nine private bills, H. R. 3884–3892; and six resolutions, H. J. Res. 206–209, H. Con. Res. 52, and H. Res. 171 and 172, were introduced. Pages 3428–3429

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

Conference report on H. R. 2101, to authorize the Regional Agricultural Credit Corporation of Washington, D. C., to make certain disaster or emergency loans (H. Rept. 333); and

Eighteen private bills, S. 208, 748, and H. R. 631, 636, 639, 718, 1011, 1053, 1058, 1062, 1131, 1497, 2069, 2078, 2710, 2935, 3663, and 3727 (H. Repts. 334–351, respectively). Pages 3400, 3428

Civil Functions, Army: Passed, by voice vote, H. R. 3734, the Army civil-functions appropriation bill for 1950, after adopting four of the five amendments agreed to in the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union. Rejected the amendment barring use of funds for acquiring land in connection with the Garrison Dam in North Dakota. For details of the amendments, see pages D150 and D153. Pages 3396–3398

D. C. Revenue: Passed, by 216 yeas to 180 nays, H. R. 3704, to provide additional revenue for the District of Columbia, after defeating a move to recommit the bill.

Pages 3398–3400

Rent Control: Adopted, by 263 yeas to 143 nays, the conference report on H. R. 1731, the rent-control extension bill, thereby clearing the measure for the President. For provisions of the conference report, see page D159.

Pages 3407–3414

Interior Department Appropriations: Commenced consideration of H. R. 3838, the bill making appropriations for the Department of the Interior for 1950, after adopting H. Res. 170, the rule waiving points of order against and providing for consideration of the measure. This bill provides $536,211,908 for the activities of the Interior Department, which amount is $80,593,112 below the budget estimates and $126,821,934 more than the amount provided last year. After spending some time in general debate the House postponed further action on the bill until Wednesday. Pages 3400, 3414–3428

Committee Meetings

CROP INSURANCE

Committee on Agriculture: Heard further discussion of the Federal crop-insurance program by Gus F. Geissler, manager of the Crop Insurance Corporation. At the request of the chairman, Representative Cooley, he pointed out the changes that would be made in the Federal Crop Insurance Act in the event H. R. 3825, a bill amending the act, introduced by Representative Abbitt, were passed by the House.

Frederic H. Smith, Assistant Director, Corporation Audits Division, GAO, presented information to the committee regarding a recently completed audit of the Federal Crop Insurance Corporation. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

JAMES FORRESTAL—PAY BILL

Committee on Armed Services: As a token of esteem and admiration, the committee presented a silver bowl to James Forrestal, outgoing Secretary of National Defense.

At an informal meeting the committee heard the testimony of Rev. John Cavanaugh, president, Notre Dame University, on H. R. 2553, armed services pay bill. Subcommittee No. 2 will continue hearings on this subject tomorrow.

AGRICULTURAL LAND DISPOSALS

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: The Subcommittee on Intergovernmental Relations continued consideration of H. R. 186, regarding disposal of certain agricultural lands acquired by the Government for defense purposes. Thomas Peyton, representing the WAA, and George Borsari, representing CAA, testified on this bill. Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

OVERCHARGES AND UNDERCHARGES

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee on Transportation concluded public hearings on H. R. 1709, to provide a 2-year limitation on the time within which actions may be brought for the recovery of undercharges and overcharges by or against motor carriers, common carriers by water, and freight forwarders, and H. R. 3162, a similar bill providing for a 3-year limitation. Representative Lynch, author of H. R. 3162, was the first witness today. He was followed by Giles Morrow, executive secretary, Freight Forwarders Institute; John V. Lawrence, managing director, American Trucking Association; and J. Carter Fort, vice president and general counsel, Association of American Railroads, all of Washington, D. C. These last-named witnesses spoke on behalf of H. R. 1709, the 2-year limitation bill.

U. S. CODE—PRIVATE BILLS

Committee on the Judiciary: Ordered the following bills reported favorably to the House:

H. R. 3762, to amend title 18, entitled "Crimes and Criminal Procedure," and title 28, entitled "Judiciary and Judicial Procedure," of the U. S. Code, and for other purposes;

Eighteen private claims bills; and

Three private immigration bills.

The committee tabled one private claim bill and three private immigration measures.

Subcommittee No. 4 met jointly with a subcommittee of the Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries to discuss the revision of title 14 of the U. S. Code. The discussion will be continued at 9 a. m., Thursday, March 31, in room 327.

PANAMA CANAL

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Subcommittee on the Panama Canal considered H. R. 2140, regarding Panama Canal employees; H. R. 2237, a private bill; H. R. 3158, to revise and codify laws of the Canal Zone regarding administration of estates; and H. R. 3159, to amend the Canal Zone Code. Witnesses heard were: Bernard F. Burdick, Chief of Office, The Panama Canal, accompanied by R. E. Ramsey, Assistant Chief of Office, and W. M. Whitman, attorney. Hearings will be continued on Thursday.

DECENNIAL HOUSING CENSUS

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: The following witnesses testified at the Murray subcommittee's hearings on H. R. 2203, providing for a decennial census of housing: Raymond M. Foley, Administrator, Housing and Home Finance Agency; J. C. Capt, Director, Bureau of the Census, accompanied by A. Ross Eckler, Assistant Director, Howard Brunsman, Chief of the Population Division, and J. E. Moore, budget officer; Harry V. Hayden, Jr., assistant national legislative representative, American Legion; Charles E. Foster, assistant director of national legislation, Disabled American Veterans; Jack Carter, national housing officer, Veterans of Foreign Wars; and John M. Dickerman, legislative director, National Association of Home Builders.

MINING—INDIANS—D. C. GOLF COURSES

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Mines and Mining considered H. R. 1754, 1881, and 2308, related bills, to suspend annual assessment work on mining claims. Speaking on behalf of the legislation were Representatives Barrett of Wyoming, Granger, and Mansfield, authors of the respective bills. John McBride appeared for Representative White of Idaho and spoke in favor of the assessment work suspension. Marion Clawson, Director, Bureau of Land Management, Department of the Interior, testified against the suspension. The committee took no final action on the measures.

Subcommittee on Indian Affairs considered, but took no action on, H. R. 3282, repealing certain acts known as Indian liquor laws in Minnesota. The following witnesses testified: Lyzen Savage, manager, Chippewa Tribe; Jay H. Haag; Representative Marshall; Roman Robideaux; and John H. Provinse, Assistant Commissioner of the Bureau of Indian Affairs, Department of the Interior.

Special Subcommittee To Investigate D. C. Golf Course Cases opened hearings on H. R. 3544, prohibiting Secretary of the Interior from making contracts or leases relating to D. C. golf courses, and heard Representative Rivers, author of the bill, and A. E. Demaray, Associate Director, National Park Service, Department of the Interior. Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

FLOOD CONTROL

Committee on Public Works: The Subcommittee on Flood Control approved sundry review resolutions which will be reported for consideration of the full committee.

TAFT-HARTLEY REPEAL

Committee on Rules: Heard Representative Lesinski, chairman of the Committee on Education and Labor, who urged a closed rule for House consideration of H. R. 2032, to repeal the Taft-Hartley labor bill. Representative Jacobs also testified on the legislation. Further consideration of this rule will be given at a meeting scheduled for tomorrow morning at 10:30 a. m.

VETERANS' PENSIONS

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Opened public hearings on H. R. 3821, to grant pensions to veterans of World War I. The following officials of the Veterans' Administration were the first witnesses to testify: Guy H. Birdsall, Assistant Administrator of Legislation; Willis H. Howard, Assistant Administrator of Claims; and William E. Dyess, statistician. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

SOCIAL SECURITY—CIGARETTE TAXES

Committee on Ways and Means: Social Security Administrator Arthur J. Altmeyer continued with his testimony on H. R. 2893, amending title II of the Social Security Act, relative to old-age and survivors insurance. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

Held hearings at a night meeting on H. R. 195, to assist States in collecting sales and use taxes on cigarettes. Heard the following opposition witnesses: J. Harvey Wilson, Sr., of Murphy, N. C.; Norman Raics, of Huntington, W. Va.; F. L. Bils, of Covington, Ky.; Milton V. Freeman, of Washington, D. C.; and Nicholas J. Tweel, representing the American Sales Agency, Huntington, W. Va.

Wednesday, March 30, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

Both Houses cleared 30-day D. C. rent-control extension for President.

Senate continued debate on ECA.

House passed Interior Department appropriation bill.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 3430–3439

Bills Introduced: Nine bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 1455 to S. 1463; and S. J. Res. 72. Pages 3435–3436

Bill Referred: One House-passed bill was referred to appropriate committee. Page 3435

Tax-Exempt Foreign Travel: Senate passed, without amendment, H. J. Res. 203, to continue exemption from tax on transportation of persons, in foreign travel via Newfoundland, clearing it for the President. Pages 3439–3440

ECA: Senate continued debate on S. 1209, to amend the Economic Cooperation Act of 1948, with the Taft-Russell amendment to reduce the authorized appropriations in the bill by 10 percent as the pending question. Pages 3440–3486

D. C. Rent Control: Senate passed and cleared for the President H. R. 3910, continuing for 30 days present D. C. rent control. Page 3491

Nominations: Eight civilian nominations were received, along with two postmaster withdrawals. Page 3491

Committee Meetings

LABOR-FSA APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee concluded hearings on H. R. 3333, Labor-FSA appropriations for 1950, after receiving testimony from Representative Bennett on funds for Public Health Service; M. O. Loysen, president, Interstate Conference, and Roy Eldean, United Public Workers, on Employment Service and unemployment compensation; Mrs. Kathleen Fahy, American Parents Committee, on Children's Bureau; the following witnesses of the FSA: M. A. Stephens, on funds for FSA; Ralph C. M. Flynt, H. F. Alves, Arthur L. Harris, and Marie K. Schutt, on proposed appropriations for the Office of Education of FSA; Norman A. Topping and Victor H. Haas, on operating expenses, National Institute of Health, Public Health Service; William L. Mitchell and Roy L. Wynkoop, on salaries and expenses, Office of Commissioner, Social Security Administration; Charles Brightbill, President's Committee on Religion and Welfare in the Armed Forces, on salaries and expenses, Division of Service Operations; and the following State witnesses: Charles M. Overman, Tallahassee, Fla., Cecil Jenkins, Jefferson City, Mo., Harvey Marshall, Nashville, Tenn., and Eddie Talbert, Columbia, S. C., representing State Educational Agencies for Surplus Property, on surplus property—Office of Education, Subcommittee meets Tuesday, April 5, to mark up bill.

TREASURY-POST OFFICE APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee continued hearings on H. R. 3083, Treasury-Post Office appropriations for 1950, with George J. Schoeneman, Commissioner of Internal Revenue, and his subordinates continuing their testimony on proposed appropriations for the Bureau of Internal Revenue; and Edward F. Foley, Under Secretary of Treasury, Admiral J. F. Farley, and Capt. A. C. Richmond on funds for the Coast Guard. Hearings continue tomorrow.

INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENTS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee heard various Government witnesses of the State Department, Maritime Commission, Commerce Department, Coast Guard, and FCC testify in support of the following three international agreements: (1) Convention of Intergovernmental Maritime Consultative Organization (Exec. L of 80th Cong., 2d sess.); (2) International Convention for Safety of Life at Sea (Exec. B of 81st Cong.); and (3) Convention of World Meteorological Organization (Exec. C of 81st Cong.).

COLORADO RIVER

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Continuing its hearings on S. 75, to authorize construction, operation, and maintenance of dams on the Colorado River at Bridge Canyon, together with certain appurtenant dams and canals, and S. J. Res. 4, granting congressional consent to joinder of the U. S. in suit in the U. S. Supreme Court for adjudication of claims of water of the Colorado River Basin, committee received further testimony from E. B. Debler, consulting engineer for the State of Arizona, formerly regional director of Region 7 of the Bureau of Reclamation, in support of S. 75, basing his testimony on engineering studies of the flow of the Colorado River. Hearings continue tomorrow.

ANTITRUST LAWS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee held hearings on S. 1008, to provide a 2-year moratorium with respect to application of certain antitrust laws to individual, good-faith delivered price systems and freight-absorption practices, and heard Otis Brubaker, research director, United Steelworkers, testify in opposition to the bill.

Senator Johnson of Colorado; Herbert Johnson, Jones-Laughlin Steel Corp.; and Edwin Feldman, director of council, National Association of House Dress Manufacturers, appeared in support of the bill. Hearings continue tomorrow.

LIFE-INSURANCE INVESTIGATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee met in executive session to discuss S. Con. Res. 11, to establish a joint committee to study and investigate the life-insurance industry of the U. S. No action was taken; subcommittee adjourned subject to call of Chair.

POSTAL RATES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Continuing hearings on S. 1103, to readjust postal rates, subcommittee heard the following witnesses testify in opposition to the bill: Bishop Wilbur E. Hamaker, representing The Voice; Dr. Elmer Morgan, the Journal of National Education Association of the U. S.; Omar Ketchum, VFW; Mrs. C. D. Wright, General Federation of Women's Clubs; and A. C. Kalmbach, Kalmbach Publishing Co., Milwaukee. Subcommittee continues Monday.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Twenty-five public bills, H. R. 3893–3917; seven private bills, H. R. 3918–3924; and four resolutions, H. J. Res. 210, H. Con. Res. 53, and H. Res. 174 and 175, were introduced. Pages 3546–3547

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. R. 3762, to amend title 18 of the U. S. Code, entitled "Crime and Criminal Procedure," and title 28, entitled "Judiciary and Judicial Procedure" (H. Rept. 352);

H. R. 3440, to add certain lands to Rocky Mountain National Park, Colo. (H. Rept. 353);

H. J. Res. 186, to extend the time for use of construction reserve funds established under the Merchant Marine Act of 1936 (H. Rept. 354);

H. Res. 147, requesting the Secretary of State to investigate the domestic fishing industry (H. Rept. 355); and

H. R. 3748, amending the Economic Cooperation Act of 1948 (part II, H. Rept. 323). Page 3546

D. C. Rent Control: Disagreed to Senate amendments to H. R. 1757, extension of D. C. rent control, agreed to conference requested by the Senate, and appointed Representatives Harris, Teague, and O'Hara of Minnesota as conferees on the part of the House. Later in the day the House considered and passed H. R. 3910, to extend for 30 days the provisions of the District of Columbia Emergency Rent Act. Pages 3492–3493, 3544

Interior Department Appropriations: Resumed consideration of, and passed by voice vote, H. R. 3838, the bill making appropriations for the Department of the Interior, after adopting two amendments. One amendment deletes language from the bill barring Indians who receive social-security benefits from the relief and rehabilitation program. The other amendment adds $250,000 for Bureau of Mines for use in control of fires in inactive coal deposits. Pages 3492–3540

Committee Meetings

FEDERAL CROP INSURANCE

Committee on Agriculture: Gus F. Geissler, Manager, Federal Crop Insurance Corporation, continued his discussion on the provisions of H. R. 3825, amending the Federal Crop Insurance Act, and was questioned at length on the subject. He brought to the attention of the committee numerous communications which had been received by the Corporation regarding the inclusion of livestock in the program. He was requested to present at tomorrow's meeting an estimate of the cost of an investigation with regard to the inclusion of livestock. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

MILITARY JUSTICE—PAY BILL

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee No. 1 continued consideration of H. R. 2498, military justice bill, and heard the testimony of W. John Kenney, Under Secretary of the Navy, and Prof. Edmund Morgan, Harvard Law School. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

Subcommittee No. 2 resumed hearings on H. R. 2553, armed services pay bill. Testifying today were Representative Lemke; Col. John Oliver, representing Reserve Officers Association, Marine Corps Reserve Officers Association, and National Guard Association; Dr. Norman C. Laffer, national president, American Society of Professional Biologists; Vice Admiral Hamlet, Retired Officers Association; and Mrs. Margaret Caulk, housewife. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

NATIONAL GUARD—COURTS—BANKRUPTCY—IMMIGRATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 2 heard Representative Secrest testify in support of H. R. 1778, to incorporate the National Guard Auxiliary; Representative Gossett in support of H. R. 3763, to limit the removal of civil actions from State to Federal courts; Representative Case of New Jersey in support of H. R. 2770, to amend section 77 of the Bankruptcy Act; and Holt S. McKinney, New York City, on H. R. 3113, to make the Tax Court a court of record.

Subcommittee No. 3 agreed to report favorably five private claims bills to the full committee.

Subcommittee No. 1 agreed to report favorably to the full committee H. R. 3875, to amend the Immigration Act, relative to suspension of deportation of aliens who have been in the U. S. for more than 5 years.

CONSTRUCTION FUNDS—ALASKAN SALMON TRAPS

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Ordered H. J. Res. 186 reported to the House. This measure would extend the time for use of construction reserve funds established under the Merchant Marine Act of 1936. This action followed an executive meeting of the Subcommittee on Maritime Affairs wherein approval of this resolution was given.

The Subcommittee on Alaskan Problems held open hearings on H. R. 1515, providing for the gradual elimination of salmon traps in the waters of Alaska, and heard testimony of Milton C. James, Assistant Director, Fish and Wildlife Service, accompanied by Seaton Thompson, Chief, Branch of Alaskan Fisheries, Department of the Interior, and Donald Channey, Chief Counsel, Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

POSTAL RATES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Continued with hearings on H. R. 2945, to increase certain postal rates, and heard testimony of the following witnesses on the subject of second-class mail: Omar B. Ketchum, director, national legislative service, VFW, Washington, D. C.; A. C. Kalmbach, president, Kalmbach Publishing Co., Milwaukee, Wis.; Harold L. Schilz, attorney, representing the National Retail Credit Association, St. Louis, Mo.; Dr. Elmer Morgan, director and editor, Journal of the National Education Association of the United States, Washington, D. C.; and Rev. Samuel McCrea Cavert, general secretary, Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America, New York City. Hearings will be continued on Friday.

COLORADO RIVER DAM

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation opened hearings on H. R. 934, authorizing the construction, operation, and maintenance of a dam and incidental works in the main stream of the Colorado River at Bridge Canyon, together with certain appurtenant dams and canals. Representative Murdock, chairman of this subcommittee, and author of the bill, was the first to testify. Senator McFarland, author of an identical Senate bill, spoke on behalf of the proposed project. Also received a statement from Representative Engle of California in opposition to the bill. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

WHITE HOUSE RENOVATION

Committee on Public Works: Opened hearings on H. R. 3856, to provide for a Commission on Renovation of the Executive Mansion, and heard testimony of L. C. Martin, Assistant Director, Bureau of the Budget, and Arthur Focke, attorney, in the Estimate Division of the same Bureau. Hearings will be continued tomorrow at 9:30 a. m.

TAFT-HARTLEY REPEAL

Committee on Rules: Continued consideration of a rule on H. R. 2032, to repeal the Taft-Hartley labor bill. Appearing before the committee today were Representative McConnell, speaking on behalf of an open rule with 8 hours' general debate; Representative Kelley,

who favored 6 hours' debate; Representative Barden, who opposed the bill; Representative Bailey, who requested an open rule; and Representative Jacobs, who spoke against a closed rule. Will resume consideration at 1 p. m. tomorrow.

VETERANS' PENSIONS

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: The following officials of the Veterans' Administration again testified at the hearings on H. R. 3821, to provide pensions for veterans of World War I: Guy H. Birdsall, Assistant Administrator for Legislation; Willis H. Howard, Assistant Administrator for Claims; and William E. Dyess, statistician. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

SOCIAL SECURITY

Committee on Ways and Means: Arthur J. Altmeyer, Social Security Administrator, gave further testimony on H. R. 2893, amending the Social Security Act relative to old-age and survivors insurance. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

Joint Committee Meetings

D. C. RENT CONTROL

Conferees on H. R. 1757, extension of D. C. rent control, failed to reach a complete agreement on the differences between the House- and Senate-passed versions. Unable to reach a compromise on all differences between the two versions, they agreed that another measure providing for a 30-day extension of the existing law be introduced and passed so that in the meantime the conferees might work out a complete compromise; the present law terminates on March 31.

Thursday, March 31, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate continued debate on ECA.
House debated oleomargarine bill.
Sundry nominations and military bills reported by Senate group.
China-aid bill cleared for House action by Rules Committee.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 3548–3552

Bills Introduced: Fourteen bills were introduced as follows: S. 1464 to S. 1477. Page 3552

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 1136, to amend the Panama Canal Zone Code regarding powers of the Governor (S. Rept. 198);

S. 1137, to revise and codify laws of the Panama Canal Zone regarding the administration of estates (S. Rept. 199);

S. 1270, regarding enlisted personnel employed in aviation tactical units of the armed services (S. Rept. 200);

S. 796, to establish the grade of General of the Air Force, with amendment (S. Rept. 201);

S. 1181, appointment of officers of the Philippine Scouts in the Regular Army, with amendment (S. Rept. 202); and

S. Res. 93, to increase by $25,000 the limit of expenditures for hearings and investigations by the Committee on Armed Services (no written report), and referred to Committee on Rules and Administration. Page 3552

Bill Referred: One House-passed bill was referred to appropriate committee. Page 3552

ECA: Senate continued debate on S. 1209, to amend the Economic Cooperation Act of 1948, with the Taft-Russell amendment to reduce the authorized appropriations in the bill by 10 percent as the pending question. Pages 3552–3592, 3597

Confirmations: Sundry routine nominations in the Army and Navy were confirmed. Page 3598

Nominations: Three hundred and ninety-two nominations in the Regular Army were received. Pages 3597–3598

Committee Meetings

TREASURY-POST OFFICE APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Continuing hearings on H. R. 3083, Treasury-Post Office appropriations for 1950, the subcommittee heard the following Government witnesses of Treasury Department testify on appropriations for their respective departments: Commissioner of Accounts Robert W. Maxwell and assistants, all of the Bureau of Accounts; Acting Commissioner of Customs Frank Dow and assistants; Director of Bureau of Engraving and Printing A. W. Hall and assistants; and Director of Bureau of Federal Supply Clifton E. Mack and assistants. Representatives of typewriter companies also appeared to testify on provisions relating to typewriters.

In executive session, the Chairman of the Munitions Board, Donald F. Carpenter, and other Government officials, testified on strategic and critical materials. Hearings continue Friday.

NOMINATIONS AND MILITARY BILLS

Committee on Armed Services: Committee voted to report favorably 902 routine nominations in the Army and Navy.

It also voted to report without amendment S. Res. 93, to increase by $25,000 the limit of expenditures for hearings and investigations by the Committee on Armed Services; S. 1136, to amend the Panama Canal Zone Code regarding powers of the Governor; S. 1137, to revise and codify laws of the Panama Canal Zone regarding the administration of estates; and S. 1270, regarding enlisted personnel employed in aviation tactical units of the armed services. It voted to report with perfecting amendments S. 1181, appointment of officers of the Philippine Scouts in the Regular Army, and S. 796, to establish the grade of General of the Air Force.

COLORADO RIVER

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Continuing hearings on S. 75, to authorize construction, operation, and maintenance of dams on the Colorado River at Bridge Canyon, together with certain appurtenant dams and canals, and S. J. Res. 4, granting congressional consent to joinder of the U. S. Supreme Court for adjudication of claims of water of the Colorado River Basin, committee heard Raymond Matthews, chief engineer, Colorado River Board of California, discuss the estimated available water of the Colorado River system. Committee meets tomorrow on nomination of Ernest Gruening to reappointment as Governor of Alaska.

ANTITRUST LAWS

Committee on the Judiciary: Continuing hearings on S. 1008, to provide a 2-year moratorium with respect to application of certain antitrust laws to individual, good-faith delivered price systems, and freight-absorption practices, the subcommittee heard testimony in opposition to the bill from the following witnesses: George J. Berger, vice president, Federation of Small Business; Angus McDonald, Farmers Education and Cooperative Union. Robert P. Dawkins, FTC, also testified. Hearings continue tomorrow.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Thirty-two public bills, H. R. 3925–3956; ten private bills, H. R. 3957–3966; and two resolutions, H. J. Res. 211 and H. Res. 176, were introduced. Pages 3600, 3633–3634

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

Three private bills, S. 32 and H. R. 750 and 2360 (H. Repts. 356–358, respectively);

H. R. 2369, to authorize an appropriation to complete the International Peace Garden, N. Dak. (H. Rept. 359);

H. R. 3088, to increase the compensation of certain employees of the municipal government of the District of Columbia (H. Rept. 360);

H. R. 3856, to provide for a Commission on Renovation of the Executive Mansion (H. Rept. 361); and

H. R. 3875, to amend Immigration Act with respect to suspension of deportation of aliens (H. Rept. 362). Pages 3632–3633

Rereferral of Bill: Discharged the Committee on Veterans' Affairs from consideration of H. R. 1233, to provide a Federal bonus for D. C. veterans of World War II, and rereferred the bill to the Committee on Ways and Means. Page 3599

Committee Election: Adopted H. Res. 176, electing Representative Woodhouse to membership on the Committee on House Administration. Page 3600

Oleomargarine: Subsequent to adoption of H. Res. 168, the rule for consideration of H. R. 2023, to regulate oleomargarine and to repeal certain taxes relating to oleomargarine, the House debated the measure for 3 hours, following which further consideration was postponed until Friday. This bill abolishes all Federal taxes and regulations incidental thereto on oleomargarine. It also permits yellow margarine to be produced or colored locally and made available to consumers in States whose local laws permit yellow oleomargarine to be manufactured, colored, and sold. Pages 3600–3631

Farm Loans: Adopted conference report on H. R. 2101, to authorize Regional Agricultural Credit Corporation to make emergency loans to farmers. Pages 3631–3632

Committee Meetings

FEDERAL CROP INSURANCE

Committee on Agriculture: Voted to report H. R. 3825 to the House. This bill, introduced by Representative Abbitt, would insure agricultural commodities, under the Federal Crop Insurance Act, against loss due to unavoidable causes such as drought, flood, snow, plant diseases, etc., and such other causes as may be determined by the Board. One amendment provides insurance protection to tobacco farmers while their tobacco is being cured in the barn as well as in the field. The present act provides that the Corporation may conduct researches, surveys, and investigations relating to crop insurance and shall assemble data for the purpose of establishing sound actuarial bases for insurance on agricultural commodities. The Abbitt bill, as amended, will authorize the Corporation to conduct researches, surveys, and investigations relating to livestock and assemble data for the purpose of establishing sound actuarial bases for insurance on livestock, as well as agricultural commodities. A section was added to the Abbitt bill relating to the appointment of officers and employees of the Corporation and salaries for services rendered.

At today's open hearings on this bill, Gus F. Geissler, Manager, Federal Crop Insurance Corporation, and Frederic H. Smith, General Accounting Office, were questioned by members of the committee.

MILITARY JUSTICE—PAY BILL

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee No. 1 heard further testimony from Felix Larkin, Office of the Secretary of Defense, on H. R. 2498, to establish a uniform Code of Military Justice. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

Subcommittee No. 2, considering H. R. 2553, armed services pay bill, heard the following witnesses, who were introduced by Representative McKinnon: John Hoeppel, Arcadia, Calif., and Charles Lofgran, national secretary of Fleet Reserve Association. Thomas Curtis, counsel for the Association of Naval Officers From the Ranks, was then heard and introduced Mr. Gibbs and Mr. Morris, who also testified. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

GOVERNMENT PROPERTY DISPOSAL

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: The Subcommittee on Executive and Legislative Reorganization opened hearings on H. R. 2781, to reorganize and simplify the procurement, utilization, and disposal of Government property. Heard testimony of the following officials of the State Department: Belton O. Bryan, assistant legal adviser; Francis T. Murphy, Foreign Liquidations Commission; Leland W. King, Associate Chief, Foreign Buildings Division; and William D. Wright, Chief, Division of Central Services. Also heard Gilbert Andersen, representative of the Fulbright educational program; Ray Ward, administrative analyst, Bureau of the Budget; Leonard Niederlehner, counsel to Munitions Board, National Military Establishment; F. H. Weitzel, assistant to the Comptroller General; and William H. Moore, of Arkansas, speaking for the National Committee of State Educational Agencies for Surplus Property, which represents the state departments of 43 States.

APPROPRIATION AUTHORIZATIONS

Committee on House Administration: Ordered the following resolutions reported to the House:

H. Res. 72, authorizing appropriation of $30,000 for jurisdictional investigations by the Committee on Public Lands;

H. Res. 122, authorizing appropriation of $15,000 to be used by the Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries for a study of Panama Canal tolls;

H. Res. 127, authorizing appropriation of $50,000 for expenses of conducting studies and investigations by the Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments;

H. Res. 132, authorizing appropriation of $2,000 for necessary miscellaneous expenses of the Committee on the District of Columbia;

H. Res. 134, to provide for employment of 10 additional House elevator operators;

H. Res. 160, authorizing printing of additional copies of H. Rept. 267, report on bill entitled "Fair Labor Standards Amendments of 1949"; and

H. Res. 171, to insure the funds of the Office of House Sergeant at Arms for $100,000.

NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee on Public Health, Science, and Commerce opened public hearings on H. R. 12, and related bills, to establish a National Science Foundation, and heard the following witnesses: Dr. Detlev W. Bronk, president, Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, Md.; Sir Robert Watson-Watt, London, England; John T. Cox, member of panel of committee on science legislation of the Engineers' Joint Council; and John H. Teeter, American Cancer Society, Inc., New York City. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

IMMIGRATION—CLAIMS

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee ordered favorably reported to the House H. R. 3876, to amend subsection (c) of section 19 of the Immigration Act, relating to suspension of deportation of aliens. Also ordered reported favorably five private claims bills.

ALASKAN SALMON TRAPS

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Subcommittee on Alaskan Problems further considered H. R. 1515, to provide for the gradual elimination of salmon traps in the waters of Alaska. The following witnesses testified: Donald J. Channey, Chief Counsel, Fish and Wildlife Service, and Seaton Thompson, Chief, Branch of Alaskan Fisheries, both of the Department of the Interior; and Ira Rothwell, representative of the Territorial Fisheries Board of Alaska. Hearings will be continued on Saturday morning.

COMMUNIST-FRONT MAIL

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: The Williams subcommittee considered executively, but took no final action, on H. R. 1002, requiring Communist-front organizations to identify matter sent, or caused to be sent, by or for them through the mails. Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

COLORADO RIVER DAM

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation held further hearings on H. R. 934, authorizing the construction, operation, and maintenance of a dam and incidental works in the main stream of the Colorado River at Bridge Canyon, together with certain appurtenant dams and canals. Speaking in favor of the legislation today were Wayne M. Akin, chairman, Arizona Interstate Streams Commission, and D. L. Stapley, vice president and general manager, O. S. Stapley Co., Phoenix, Ariz. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

WHITE HOUSE RENOVATION

Committee on Public Works: Ordered reported to the House H. R. 3856, to provide for a Commission on Renovation of the Executive Mansion. Heard on this subject today were Maj. Gen. Philip B. Fleming, Federal Works Administrator; H. G. Hunter, Assistant Commissioner, Public Buildings Administration; and two officials of the Bureau of the Budget, L. C. Martin, Assistant Director, and Arthur Focke, attorney in the Estimate Division.

AID TO CHINA—TAFT-HARTLEY REPEAL

Committee on Rules: Granted a rule providing 1 hour of general debate on, and waiving points of order against, H. R. 3830, providing economic assistance to China. Representative Kee, chairman of the Committee on Foreign Affairs, spoke in favor of an open rule and waiving the points of order. Representative Vorys spoke in opposition to the bill in its present form. Representatives Eaton and Fulton also testified.

Further considered a rule for H. R. 2032, to repeal the Taft-Hartley labor bill, and heard testimony of Representatives Wood and Burke. Will continue on this subject tomorrow at 11 a. m.

VETERANS' PENSIONS

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Heard further testimony at the hearings on H. R. 3821, pensions for World War I veterans, from the following officials of the Veterans' Administration: Guy H. Birdsall, Assistant Administrator for Legislation; Willis H. Howard, Assistant Administrator for Claims; and William E. Dyees, statistician. Adjourned until Tuesday, April 5, at which time the committee will receive amendments to the bill from Members of the House.

SOCIAL SECURITY—CIGARETTE TAXES—CRIPPLED CHILDREN

Committee on Ways and Means: Arthur J. Altmeyer, Social Security Administrator, concluded his testimony on H. R. 2893, amending title II of the Social Security Act, relative to old-age and survivors insurance. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

Concluded public hearings on H. R. 195, to assist States in collecting sales and use taxes on cigarettes. Heard testimony of the following witnesses: Representatives Rogers of Florida and Steed and Monroney of Oklahoma; C. Emory Glander, tax commissioner of Ohio; Jerome Kaufman, assistant managing director, National Association of Tobacco Distributors; Mary Krone, director, Miscellaneous Tax Bureau, New York State Department of Tax and Finance; and John Whitaker, Oklahoma tax commissioner. No final action was taken on the bill.

Also considered H. J. Res. 209, authorizing appropriation for the Federal Security Administrator, in addition to those authorized under the Social Security Act, to provide for meeting emergency needs of crippled children during fiscal year of 1949. Heard on this joint resolution were Katharine F. Lenroot, Chief, and Dr. Edwin Daily, Director, Division of Health Services, both of the Children's Bureau, Social Security Administration.

Joint Committee Meetings

ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

Joint Committee on the Library: In executive session, the committee elected Senator Green as chairman, Representative Mary Norton as vice chairman, and Paul Eaton as clerk.

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HIGHLIGHTS

Senate continued debate on ECA, defeating amendments to cut amount of ECA funds.

House passed oleomargarine bill.

See Résumé of Congressional Activity.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 3635–3637

Bills Introduced: Ten bills and three resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1478 to S. 1487; S. J. Res. 73; and S. Res. 98 and S. Res. 99. Pages 3636–3637

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 1432, to provide for a Commission on Renovation of the Executive Mansion, with amendment (S. Rept. 203);

H. R. 2660, prohibit parking of vehicles on U. S. property for postal purposes (S. Rept. 204); and

S. 755, relative to construction of a bridge over the Ohio River at Shawneetown, Ill., with amendment (S. Rept. 205). Page 3636

Emergency Farm Loans: Senate adopted conference report on H. R. 2101, to abolish the Regional Agricultural Credit Corporation and authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to make production disaster loans, clearing the bill for the President's signature. Page 3638

ECA: Continuing consideration of S. 1209, to amend the Economic Cooperation Act of 1948, Senate took the following action on two amendments: By 23 yeas to 54 nays, rejected Taft-Russell amendment to reduce the authorized appropriations in the bill by 10 percent, after rejecting, by 14 yeas to 68 nays, Wherry amendment to Taft-Russell amendment, to make a 15-percent cut. Pages 3638–3700

Nominations: One civilian and seven hundred and thirty-seven Army nominations were received. Pages 3700–3703

Committee Meetings

TREASURY-POST OFFICE APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee continued hearings on H. R. 3083, Treasury-Post Office appropriations for 1950, with the following officials of the Treasury Department testifying in regard to funds for their respective agencies: U. E. Baughman, Chief of the Secret Service Division, together with assistants. Assistant Director W. W. Harrison, Jr., of the Office of Administrative Services, with assistants; and Assistant Commissioner M. L. Harney, Bureau of Narcotics, with assistants. First Assistant Postmaster General Burke and his subordinates appeared to discuss the revenues, expenses, and deficits of the Post Office Department generally. Hearings continue Monday.

AIR FORCE COMPOSITION

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee concluded hearings on H. R. 1437, to establish the Air Force composition, after receiving testimony in support of it from Gen. Eugene M. Zuckert, Assistant Secretary of Air Force.

D. C. HOME RULE

Committee on the District of Columbia: Senator Taft met in executive session with the subcommittee to work on the proposed bill for D. C. home rule. The suggestions of Senator Taft were centered mainly on finance and selection of members on the Board of Election. Subcommittee adjourned subject to call of the Chair, but is expected to meet sometime next week.

REORGANIZATION

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: In executive session, the committee disposed of the following amendments to S. 526, Reorganization Act of 1949: Rejected, by vote of 6 to 4, an amendment by Senator McClellan providing that reorganization plans shall not take effect until after the passage of a concurrent resolution of approval by both Houses; adopted, by vote of 10 to 1, an amendment by Senators McCarthy and Long to provide for the rejection of any reorganization plan by enactment of a simple resolution of disapproval by either House of Congress, and unanimously voted that if the amendment is preserved in the bill there would be no specific agency exemptions. Following this action, Senator McClellan stated that what the committee is undertaking to do is to bring out the bill with this functional change in the method of approving and disapproving reorganization plans, and if this provision is maintained in the bill, specific exemption of any agency is not necessary to protect the legislative function of the Congress because one House can reject any plan submitted.

An amendment by Senator McCarthy rejecting the single-package submission of reorganization plans, as provided in the bill passed by the House, was adopted. The committee unanimously adopted an amendment by Senator McClellan to limit the time for submitting reorganization plans to April 1, 1953. Committee meets again Monday.

NOMINATION FOR GOVERNOR OF ALASKA

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Committee held hearings on the reappointment of Ernest H. Gruening to be Governor of Alaska and received proponent and opponent testimony from various citizens of Alaska.

The following citizens of Alaska testified in opposition to the appointment: Representatives to the Alaska House of Representatives Frank Angerman, George Miscovich, Robert Hoopes, Marcus Jensen, Capt. Austin E. Lathrop, and A. H. Ziegler; and Charles D. Jones, senator in the Alaska Senate.

Testifying in support of the confirmation and in support of statehood for Alaska were Gov. Gruening himself, Stanley J. McCutcheon, speaker of House of Representatives of Alaska; Zac Loussac, mayor of Anchorage; Simeon "Nutchuk" Oliver, Anchorage; Alfred Owen, Alaska House of Representatives; Bill Baker, editor-owner, Ketchikan Chronicle; Irene Ryan, Anchorage mining engineer; Joe Nashalook, Unalakleet secretary, Local 46, IFAWA; and Colonel Marston, Anchorage.

ANTITRUST LAWS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee concluded hearings on S. 1008, to provide a 2-year moratorium with respect to application of certain antitrust laws to individual, good-faith delivered price systems, and freight-absorption practices, after receiving further testimony from Senator Johnson of Colorado, along with Raymond S. Farrington, Potts-Farrington Co., Philadelphia, and Frazer Hilder, an attorney of Washington, D. C.

WHITE HOUSE, AND MVA

Committee on Public Works: The committee agreed to report, with amendment, S. 1432, to provide for a commission on renovation of the Executive Mansion, and S. 755, relative to construction of a bridge over the Ohio River at Shawneetown, Ill.; and, without amendment, H. R. 2660, to prohibit parking of vehicles on U. S. property for postal purposes.

A special subcommittee to consider S. 1160, Missouri Valley Authority bill, was appointed consisting of the following members: Senators Downey, chairman, McClellan, Holland, Kerr, Chavez, Martin, Malone, and Kem.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Twenty-five public bills, H. R. 3967–3991; five private bills, H. R. 3992–3996; and four resolutions, H. J. Res. 212–214, and H. Con Res. 54, were introduced. Page 3731

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

Eight resolutions authorizing appropriations; for details see under heading "Appropriation Authorizations" (H. Repts. 363–370);

H. R. 225, authorizing the Legislature of Alaska to amend or repeal certain laws of Alaska imposing taxes for carrying on the business and trade (amended) (H. Rept. 371);

H. R. 1407, to declare that the United States holds certain lands in trust for the Bad River band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians of the State of Wisconsin (H. Rept. 372);

H. R. 1892, authorizing the Secretary of the Interior to issue a patent in fee to certain Indian lands in Lake County, Mont. (H. Rept. 373);

H. R. 2387, authorizing the Governor of Alaska to fix certain fees and charges with respect to elections (amended) (H. Rept. 374);

H. R. 2876, to effect an exchange of certain lands in North Carolina between the United States and the eastern band of Cherokee Indians (H. Rept. 375);

H. R. 2914, to amend the Taylor Grazing Act (amended) (H. Rept. 376);

H. R. 2988, to provide for a Resident Commissioner from the Virgin Islands (H. Rept. 377);

Five private bills, H. R. 1976, 1281, 1109, 1030, 1029 (H. Repts. 378–382, respectively); and

H. J. Res. 212, authorizing appropriation for the Federal Security Administrator, in addition to those authorized under the Social Security Act, to provide for meeting emergency needs of crippled children during fiscal year 1949 (H. Rept. 283). Pages 3730–3731

Appropriation Authorizations: Considered and adopted the following resolutions:

H. Res. 171, to insure the funds of the Office of House Sergeant at Arms for $100,000 (H. Rept. 363);

H. Res. 173, authorizing payment to widow of recently deceased House employee of 6 months' salary and $250 toward defraying funeral expenses (H. Rept. 364);

H. Res. 134, to provide for employment of 10 additional House elevator operators (as amended) (H. Rept. 365);

H. Res. 132, authorizing appropriation of $2,000 for necessary miscellaneous expenses of the Committee on the District of Columbia (H. Rept. 366);

H. Res. 72, authorizing appropriation of $30,000 for jurisdictional investigations by the Committee on Public Lands (as amended) (H. Rept. 367);

H. Res. 122, authorizing appropriation of $15,000 to be used by the Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries for a study of Panama Canal tolls (as amended) (H. Rept. 368);

H. Res. 127, authorizing appropriation of $50,000 for expenses of conducting studies and investigations by the Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments (as amended) (H. Rept. 369); and

H. Res. 160, authorizing printing of additional copies of H. Rept. 267, report on bill entitled "Fair Labor Standards Amendments of 1949" (H. Rept. 370).

Pages 3703–3704

Oleomargarine: After voting 242 yeas to 137 nays to adopt an amendment inserting the provisions of H. R. 3 (as amended), into H. R. 2023, in lieu of the committee-approved language, the House rejected a motion to recommit, and passed the bill by 287 yeas to 89 nays. The provisions of H. R. 3 were amended to provide that all colored margarine sold in public eating places be of a three-sided shape so as to readily distinguish it from butter. The bill as passed repeals the tax on oleomargarine, sets out the definition of yellow margarine, calls for posting of signs in public eating places where margarine is served, and provides for interstate movement of colored margarine.

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Committee Meetings

WHEAT

Committee on Agriculture: Don McKinnis, chairman, production and marketing committee of Oregon Wheat Growers League, a wheat producer in Union County, Oreg., presented to the committee the background on the trends of the marketing costs of processing wheat into flour and finally into bread. Paulen Kasenberg, president, Oregon Wheat Growers League, representing over 5,000 wheat producers of the State of Oregon, presented recommendations of his organization regarding long-range wheat policies. He recommended, as a matter of long-time policy, minimum governmental controls and regulations and full opportunity for wheat marketing and distribution in the domestic and world markets. He favored the continuance of the policy of maximum production geared to economic use of the Nation's wheat lands, and such amendments to the Agricultural Adjustment Act as would carry out these and the following basic objectives: (1) full parity for that part of the wheat crop used for domestic human food under some self-supporting plan; (2) the balance of the wheat crop to move into export and feed and industrial markets at competitive prices; (3) use of production controls only when the wheat stocks become larger than permitted by the International Wheat Agreement.

MILITARY JUSTICE—PAY BILL

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee No. 1 heard further testimony from Felix Larkin, Office of the Secretary of Defense, on H. R. 2498, to establish a uniform Code of Military Justice. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

Subcommittee No. 2 further considered H. R. 2553, armed services pay bill, and heard the testimony of John Slinkman, Army Times newspaper. Hearings will be continued on Monday.

NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee on Public Health, Science, and Commerce continued public hearings on H. R. 12, and related bills, to establish a National Science Foundation, and heard the following witnesses: Representative Van Zandt; George E. Folk, patent adviser, National Association of Manufacturers, New York City; H. B. Hammond, dean of engineering, Pennsylvania State College, representing American Society for Engineering Education; Dr. Boris A. Bakhmeteff, chairman of panel, committee on science legislation of the Engineers' Joint Council, New York City, accompanied by Oliver Bowles, consulting engineer, Washington, D. C.; R. G. Gustavson, chancellor, University of Nebraska, representing Association of Land-Grant Colleges and Universities, National Association of State Universities; Dr. Hugh Wolfe, professor of physics, New York City College, representing Federation of American Scientists; Dr. Dael Wolfle, executive secretary, American Association for the Advancement of Science, Washington, D. C.; and Dr. N. N. Trytten, Director of the Office of Scientific Personnel, National Research Council, Washington, D. C. Hearings will be continued Monday.

DEPARTMENT ORDERS—WITNESS FEES—PATENTS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 2 continued hearings on H. R. 2915 and H. R. 2916, review of certain orders of the Federal Communications Commission, Department of Agriculture, U. S. Maritime Commission, and Interstate Commerce Commission. The following witnesses were heard: Paul Page, Esq., Solicitor, U. S. Maritime Commission; Commissioner Rosel H. Hyde, Federal Communications Commission; J. Stanley Payne, Esq., Assistant Chief Counsel, Interstate Commerce Commission. Statements were filed on behalf of the American Short Line Railroad Association of Washington, D. C., by C. A. Miller, vice president and general counsel; and on behalf of the Association of Interstate Commerce Commission Practitioners, by Chester C. Thompson, president, and Harry Ames, counsel.

The subcommittee also ordered reported favorably to the full committee H. R. 1953, to increase the fees of witnesses in the United States courts and before U. S. commissioners, and H. R. 2770, to amend section 77 of the Bankruptcy Act. It was agreed to report adversely H. R. 1778, to incorporate the National Guard Auxiliary.

Subcommittee No. 4 agreed to report favorably to the full committee H. J. Res. 91, to authorize the cancellation and release of an agreement between the port of Seattle and the United States, represented by the U. S. Shipping Board, etc.

Also heard the following witness in connection with H. R. 2721, to extend certain provisions of Public Law 690, Seventy-ninth Congress (extending time for filing applications for patents): Roy Hackley, Esq., Chief of Patents Claims, Department of Justice.

POSTAL RATES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Continued hearings on H. R. 2945, to increase certain postal rates, and heard the following witnesses on the subject of second-class mail: Bishop Wilbur E. Hammaker, executive vice president, Methodist Board of Temperance, Washington, D. C.; Harvey Conover, president, Conover-Mast Publications, Inc., New York City, representing the National Business Publications, Inc., accompanied by Marshall Haywood, Haywood Publishing Co., Chicago, Ill.; Col. W. T. Chevalier, assistant to the president, McGraw-Hill Publishing Co., Inc., New York City; William J. Chisholm, Regular Veterans' Association, Washington, D. C.; and Louis A. Lopez, legislative representative, International Printing Pressmen and Assistants' Union, Washington, D. C. Hearings will be continued on Monday.

LANDS—TERRITORIES—COLORADO RIVER DAM

Committee on Public Lands: Ordered the following bills reported to the House:

H. R. 1029, 1030, 1109, 1281, land patent bills;

H. R. 1407, relative to Bad River band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians;

H. R. 1753, relative to sale of Indian lands in Utah;

H. R. 1892, authorizing issuance of patent in fee to certain Indian lands in Lake County, Mont.;

H. R. 1976, sale of allotted land on Flathead Indian Reservation, Mont.;

H. R. 2876, to effect an exchange of certain lands in North Carolina between the United States and the eastern band of Cherokee Indians;

H. R. 173, amend the Hawaiian Organic Act regarding loss of nationality due to 5-year residence in foreign state;

H. R. 225, authorizing repeal of certain laws of Alaska imposing taxes for carrying on business and trade;

H. R. 2387, authorizing the Governor of Alaska to fix certain fees and charges with respect to elections;

H. R. 2988, to provide for a Resident Commissioner for the Virgin Islands; and

H. R. 2914, to amend the Taylor Grazing Act.

The Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation further considered H. R. 934, authorizing the construction, operation, and maintenance of a dam and incidental works in the main stream of the Colorado River at Bridge Canyon, together with certain appurtenant dams and canals. Testifying on behalf of the legislation were Francis I. Curtis, farmer, Eloy, Ariz.; A. Van Wagenan, Jr., farmer, Casa Grande, Ariz.; Judge Jesse A. Udall, Thatcher, Ariz., member, Arizona Interstate Streams Commission; John M. Jacobs, farmer, Phoenix, Ariz.; and Victor I. Corbell, member, board of governors of the Salt River Valley Water Users Association. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

TAFT-HARTLEY REPEAL

Committee on Rules: Further considered a rule for House consideration of H. R. 2032, to repeal the Taft-Hartley labor bill. Representative Lesinski, chairman of the Committee on Education and Labor, spoke in favor of the legislation. Representative Werdel spoke in opposition to the bill and requested 60 days for general debate, while Representative Nixon spoke in opposition to the bill and requested an open rule. The committee will continue consideration of this bill in an executive session Monday at 2 p. m.

SOCIAL SECURITY—CRIPPLED CHILDREN

Committee on Ways and Means: George J. Schoeneman, Commissioner, Bureau of Internal Revenue, testified on H. R. 2893, amending title II of the Social Security Act, relative to old-age and survivors insurance. Hearings will be continued Monday.

Also ordered reported to the House H. J. Res. 212, authorizing appropriation for the Federal Security Administrator, in addition to those authorized under the Social Security Act, to provide for meeting emergency needs of crippled children during fiscal year of 1949. This was a clean resolution reported in lieu of H. J. Res. 209, on which hearings were held by the committee.

Résumé of Congressional Activity

FIRST SESSION OF EIGHTY-FIRST CONGRESS

The first table gives a comprehensive résumé of all legislative business transacted by the House and Senate during the session, January 3, 1949, through March 31, 1949.

The second table accounts for all nominations submitted to the Senate by the President for Senate confirmation.

DATA ON LEGISLATIVE ACTIVITY

January 3 through March 31, 1949

	Senate	*House*	*Total*
Days in session	46	49	..
Time in session	263 hrs., 43′	192 hrs., 6′	..
Congressional Record:			
Pages of proceedings	2,170	1,536	3,706
Appendix	..	..	2,010
Public bills enacted into law	18	17	35
Private bills enacted into law	10	1	11
Bills in conference	..	..	2
Bills through conference	..	..	3
Measures passed, total	136	277	..
Senate bills	60	24	..
House bills	14	163	..
Senate joint resolutions	9	6	..
House joint resolutions	7	9	..
Senate concurrent resolutions	3	..	..
House concurrent resolutions	5	6	..
Simple resolutions	38	69	107
Measures reported, total	*233	*351	..
Senate bills	119	22	..
House bills	39	267	..
Senate joint resolutions	13	1	..
House joint resolutions	8	12	..
Senate concurrent resolutions	7	..	..
House concurrent resolutions	5	4	..
Simple resolutions	42	45	87
Special reports	14	7	..
Conference reports	..	4	..
Reported measured not acted on	**91	**109	..
Measures introduced, total	1,672	4,406	6,078
Bills	1,477	3,966	5,443
Joint resolutions	72	211	283
Concurrent resolutions	26	53	79
Simple resolutions	97	176	273
Quorum calls	81	25	106
Yea-and-nay votes	32	35	67

*These figures on measures reported include all placed on calendar or acted on by Senate even if there was no accompanying report. A total of 202 reports has been filed in the Senate; a total of 362 has been filed in the House.

**This figure does not agree with the total difference between bills reported and bills passed, because resolutions and bills placed on the House Calendar without having been formally reported were not included in figures of measures reported to the House; the difference in the case of Senate figures is due to uncounted bills "laid on the table" or "indefinitely postponed."

DISPOSITION OF EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS RECEIVED FROM JANUARY 3–MARCH 31, 1949

Postmaster nominations, totaling 731, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	582
Withdrawn	3
Rejected	None
Unconfirmed	146
Army nominations, totaling 14,232, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	13,840
Withdrawn	None
Rejected	None
Unconfirmed	392
Air Force nominations, totaling 11,784, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	11,784
Withdrawn	None
Rejected	None
Unconfirmed	None
Navy nominations, totaling 4,478, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	3,600
Withdrawn	None
Rejected	None
Unconfirmed	878
Marine Corps, nominations, totaling 917, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	917
Withdrawn	None
Rejected	None
Unconfirmed	None
Civilian nominations other than postmasters, totaling 1,153, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	1,071
Withdrawn	5
Rejected	None
Unconfirmed	77

Summary

Total nominations received	33,295
Total rejected	None
Total withdrawn	8
Total unconfirmed	1,493

TABLE OF APPROPRIATION BILLS, EIGHTY-FIRST CONGRESS, FIRST SESSION

Bill No.	Title	Budget estimates*	House				Senate				Public law	
			Date reported	Amount reported	Date passed	Amount as passed	Date reported	Amount as reported	Date passed	Amount as passed	Date approved	Amount as approved	Law No.
H. J. Res. 112	Disaster Relief	$1,000,000	Jan. 27	$500,000	Jan. 27	$500,000	Jan. 27	$500,000	Jan. 27	$500,000	Jan. 28	$500,000	3
H. J. Res. 136	Disaster Relief	500,000	Feb. 3	500,000	Feb. 3	500,000	Feb. 3	500,000	Feb. 3	500,000	Feb. 7	500,000	5
H. R. 2632	First Deficiency, 1949	564,183,148	Feb. 14	466,882,177	Feb. 16	471,895,177	Mar. 22	538,453,473					
H. R. 3082	District of Columbia, 1950	103,321,427	Mar. 1	98,923,621	Mar. 2	98,923,621							
H. R. 3083	Treasury-Post Office, 1950	3,172,666,750	Mar. 1	3,072,817,903	Mar. 3	3,072,817,903							
	Treasury	1,092,994,450		1,027,608,403		1,027,608,403							
	Post Office	2,079,672,300		2,045,209,500		2,045,209,500							
H. R. 3333	Labor-Federal Security, 1950	2,235,065,685	Mar. 8	2,211,794,085	Mar. 9	2,211,794,085							
	Labor	16,766,200		16,550,000		16,550,000							
	FSA	1,501,481,985		1,478,426,585		1,478,426,585							
	Related agencies	716,817,500		716,817,500		716,817,500							
H. R. 3734	Civil Functions, Army, 1950	767,733,220	Mar. 23	586,762,000	Mar. 29	593,292,270							
H. R. 3838	Interior, 1950	616,805,020	Mar. 28	536,111,908	Mar. 30	536,461,908							

* These estimates include any additional amounts which may have been submitted to the Senate after the bill was acted on by House Appropriations Committee.

Saturday, April 2, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate continued debate on ECA.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 3732–3739

Bills Introduced: Eight bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 1488 to S. 1495; and S. Res. 100. Pages 3736–3737

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. Con. Res. 19, authorizing the printing of Chaplain's prayers by Peter Marshall, with amendment (S. Rept. 207); and

S. Con. Res. 10, to provide additional funds for Joint Committee on Labor-Management Relations (S. Rept. 206). Pages 3735–3736

Routine Resolutions: Senate adopted the following two routine resolutions, each with committee amendment:

S. Con. Res. 19, authorizing printing of Chaplain's prayers by Peter Marshall; and

S. Con. Res. 10, to provide additional funds for Joint Committee on Labor-Management Relations. Pages 3735–3736

ECA: Senate continued consideration of S. 1209, to amend Economic Cooperation Act of 1948, with the Knowland amendment relative to authorization of unobligated funds for aid to China as the pending question, the Ellender amendment (providing that 25 percent rather than 5 percent of special currency accounts shall be used to purchase scarce strategic materials for U. S.) having been temporarily put aside under unanimous consent to act on Knowland amendment. Pages 3739–3772

Nominations: Four hundred and two Navy, three Army, and forty-one civilian nominations were received. Pages 3772–3773

Committee Meetings

COLORADO RIVER

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Committee continued hearings on S. 75, to authorize construction, operation, and maintenance of dams on the Colorado River at Bridge Canyon, together with certain appurtenant dams and canals, and S. J. Res. 4, granting congressional consent to joinder of the U. S. Supreme Court for adjudication of claims to water of the Colorado River Basin, receiving testimony from James Howard, Metropolitan Water District of California.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Monday, April 4, at 12 o'clock noon.

Committee Meetings

MILITARY JUSTICE

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee No. 1 at its hearings on H. R. 2498, to establish a Uniform Code of Military Justice, heard further testimony on the subject from Felix Larkin, Office of the Secretary of Defense. Hearings will be continued on Monday.

ALASKAN SALMON TRAPS

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: The Subcommittee on Alaskan Problems continued consideration of H. R. 1515, to provide for the gradual elimination of salmon traps in Alaska waters. Today's witnesses were Robert Korn, merchant, Cordova, Alaska; Lester Roberts, Alaskan Natives Brotherhood; Peter Panstad, representing the Fisherman's Union of Alaska, and Robert McNealy, the union's attorney; William L. Baker, editor of the Ketchikan Chronicle, who spoke for the Fishermen's United Trollers of Alaska; Casey Patten, lumberman, Seldovia, Alaska; and H. L. Lennen, of Alaska. Hearings will be continued on Monday.

COLORADO RIVER DAM

Committee on the Public Lands: Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation held further hearings on H. R. 934, authorizing the construction, operation, and maintenance of a dam and incidental works in the main stream of the Colorado River at Bridge Canyon, together with appurtenant dams and canals. Testifying at today's meeting were K. K. Henness, county agent, Pinal County, Ariz.; and Walter Bimson, president, and L. G. Galland, vice president, both of the Valley National Bank, Phoenix, Ariz. Hearings will be continued on Monday.

Monday, April 4, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate continued work on ECA.
House passed China-aid bill.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 3773–3781

Bills Introduced: Eight bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1496 to S. 1503; S. J. Res. 74; and S. Con. Res. 27. Pages 3775–3776

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. Con. Res. 27, private bill (S. Rept. 208);

S. 936, to establish procedure for care and custody of insane persons convicted of Federal offenses, with amendment (S. Rept. 209);

H. J. Res. 160, in re processing of visa cases for admission into U. S. of alien fiancés and fiancées of GI's, with amendments (S. Rept. 210); and

S. 70, relative to court procedure in Alaska (S. Rept. 211). Page 3775

Committee Assignments: Senator Wagner was excused from further service on the Judiciary Committee and Senator Graham was assigned to the vacancy created. Senators Graham and Humphrey were assigned to service on the Post Office and Civil Service Committee. Page 3776

ECA: Senate continued consideration of S. 1209, to amend the Economic Cooperation Act of 1948, adopting by voice vote Knowland amendment relative to authorization of unobligated funds for aid to China. The Ellender amendment, providing that 25 percent rather than 5 percent of special currency accounts shall be used to purchase scarce strategic materials for U. S., remains the pending question. Pages 3781–3802

Nominations: 1 civilian, 10 Marine Corps, and 81 Air Force nominations were received. Page 3803

Committee Meetings

TREASURY-POST OFFICE APPROPRIATIONS—RFC

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee concluded hearings on H. R. 3083, Treasury-Post Office appropriations for 1950, after receiving testimony from representatives of the First, Second, Third, and Fourth Assistant Postmasters General in support of restoring amounts of various items which were reduced by the House. Harley Hise, Chairman of the RFC, and his assistants testified on reduction of administrative expense limitations made by the House.

REORGANIZATION

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Committee continued in executive session to work on S. 526, Reorganization Act of 1949, disposing of various amendments as follows: Rejected: (1) by vote of 6 to 2, House amendment to section 5 (a), prohibiting the creation of any new executive department; (2) by vote of 5 to 4 the McClellan amendment to exempt the Corps of Engineers; (3) by unanimous vote the Tydings amendment providing for special treatment of the National Military Establishment; (4) by unanimous vote the Johnson of Colorado and Maybank amendment providing for a single-package consideration of quasi-judicial and quasi-legislative organizations; and adopted by unanimous vote a corrective amendment proposed by the Bureau of the Budget permitting appointment of officials in the D. C. Government by the Board of Commissioners as now provided by law, or as recommended in a reorganization plan. Committee meets again Wednesday in hopes of reaching a vote on reporting the bill.

INTERIOR AND INSULAR AFFAIRS

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Committee met in executive session to consider calendar business, but made no announcement of action taken. Committee meets again Tuesday.

U. S. ATTORNEY, IMMIGRATION, AND ALASKA

Committee on the Judiciary: In executive session, the committee voted to report without amendment S. 70, relative to court procedure in Alaska, and with amend-

ment S. 936, to establish procedure for care and custody of insane persons convicted of Federal offenses, and H. J. Res. 160, in re processing of visa cases for admission into U. S. of alien financés and financées of GI's. It also agreed to introduce and report an original concurrent resolution on deportation referral cases.

The nomination of Warren G. Moore, to be U. S. attorney for eastern district of Texas, was ordered reported favorably.

POSTAL RATES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Subcommittee continued hearings on S. 1103, to readjust postal rates, and heard the following witnesses testify in opposition to the bill: Dudley White, the Inland Daily Press, Sandusky, Ohio; E. P. Schwartz, Des Moines Register; Godfrey Hammond, Popular Science Publishing Co., New York; John C. Lynn, American Farm Bureau Federation, Washington; O. R. Strackbine, International Allied Printing Trades Association; John B. Haggerty, chairman, board of governors, International Allied Printing Trades Association; and C. T. Norgard, American Humane Association. Subcommittee meets again Wednesday.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Fourteen public bills, H. R. 3997–4010; five private bills, H. R. 4011–4015; and one resolution, H. Res. 177, were introduced. Page 3830

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. R. 3997, Department of Agriculture appropriation bill for 1950 (H. Rept. 384); and

H. R. 173, to amend Hawaiian Organic Act to prevent loss of nationality, by reason of continuous residence for 5 years in a foreign state, of certain persons declared to be citizens of the United States under such act (H. Rept. 385). Page 3830

Consent Calendar: Passed the following bills on the call of the Consent Calendar:

Sent to the Senate without amendment:

National Forest: H. R. 55, to include certain lands in the Carson National Forest, N. Mex.

Fishery Facilities: H. R. 1222, to authorize the exchange of certain fishery facilities in State of Washington.

Indians: H. R. 1408, to declare that U. S. holds certain lands in trust for Lac Courte Ariclles Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians of Wisconsin.

Public Lands: H. R. 2820, to amend act entitled, "An act to provide for the purchase of public lands for home and other sites," approved June 1, 1938.

Civil Service: H. R. 2944, to provide survivorship benefits for widows or widowers of persons retiring under such act.

Survey: H. R. 3150, to revise and repeal certain acts relating to rules of survey to permit departures from system of rectangular survey when necessary on all public lands.

National Park: H. R. 3259, to add certain lands to the Abraham Lincoln National Historical Park, Ky.

Land Exchanges: H. R. 3284, to authorize grantees of recreational demonstration project lands to make land exchanges relating to such properties.

National Park: H. R. 3297, to authorize addition of certain lands to Manassas National Battlefield Park, Va.

Indian Timber: H. R. 3396, to amend the law relating to timber operations on the Menominee Indian Reservation in Wisconsin.

Wildlife: H. R. 3420, to authorize the exchange of wildlife refuge lands within State of Washington.

U. S. Code: H. R. 3762, to amend title 18 of U. S. Code entitled, "Crime and Criminal Procedure" and title 28 entitled, "Judiciary and Judicial Procedure."

Merchant Marine: H. J. Res. 186, to extend the time for use of construction reserve funds established under section 511 of Merchant Marine Act, 1936.

Sent to Senate, amended:

Naval Officers: S. 278, to prevent retroactive checkage of payments erroneously made to certain retired Naval Reserve officers.

Disposition of Unclaimed Property: S. 629, to authorize disposition of certain lost, abandoned, or unclaimed personal property coming into the possession of the Treasury, Army, Navy, and Air Force Departments.

Torts: H. R. 779, to increase the time for presenting claims to Federal agencies or prosecuting claims in U. S. district courts under Federal Tort Claims Act.

Alaska Salmon: H. R. 1140, to protect and conserve the salmon fisheries of Alaska.

Mississippi River Parkway: H. R. 1997, to authorize a survey of a proposed Mississippi River Parkway for the purpose of determining the feasibility of same.

Copyrights: H. R. 2285, to amend U. S. Code with respect to relaxation of provisions governing copyright of foreign works.

Public Lands: H. R. 2821, relative to acquisition or use of public lands by States, counties, or municipalities for recreational purposes and other public purposes, also to permit nonprofit organizations to lease public lands for certain purposes.

Alaska: H. R. 2859, to authorize the sale of public lands in Alaska.

Georgia Conveyance: H. R. 3274, to provide for conveyance of certain historic properties to the State of Georgia.

Claims Payments: H. R. 3549, to permit Comptroller General to pay claims chargeable against lapsed appropriations and to provide for the return of unexpended balances of such appropriations to the surplus fund.

Domestic Fishing: H. Res. 147, to request Secretary of State to investigate the domestic fishing industry.

Passed over without prejudice:

Civil Service: H. R. 997, to extend certain benefits to employees involuntarily separated from July 1, 1945, to July 1, 1947, after having served 25 years, but prior to attainment of age 55.

Virgin Islands: H. R. 2989, to incorporate the Virgin Islands Corporation.

National Park: H. R. 3440, to add certain lands to Rocky Mountain National Park, Colo.

Recommitted:

Women's Coast Guard Reserve: H. R. 1823, to establish a Women's Reserve as a branch of the Coast Guard Reserve. Pages 3806–3822

Deportation: Passed H. R. 3875, to amend Immigration Act with respect to suspension of deportation of aliens. Page 3822

White House: Passed H. R. 3856, to provide for a Commission on Renovation of the Executive Mansion. Page 3822

China Aid: Voted, 279 yeas to 70 nays, to suspend the rules and pass H. R. 3830, to amend the China Aid Act of 1948, as amended. The amendment removes a clause which would have waived the provisions of the Economic Cooperation Act of 1948. This is a stop-gap measure, authorizing reappropriation of $54,000,000 of funds already appropriated but not obligated. The bill also authorizes an interim advance up to $50,000,000 of such funds by the RFC pending action on an appropriation bill. Pages 3823–3829

Bills Referred: Two Senate-passed resolutions, passed by the Senate on Saturday, April 2, were referred to the Committee on House Administration. Page 3830

Committee Meetings

FARM LABOR CAMPS

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee No. 2 approved for reporting to the full committee H. R. 2906, to provide a 1 year's extension of time for the disposition of farm labor camps to public or semipublic agencies or nonprofit associations of farmers.

This measure was considered with similar bills on the subject, and the subcommittee heard Edward J. Overby, Assistant to the Secretary, Department of Agriculture, and P. G. Beck, labor camp disposal officer, PMA, who furnished information regarding these labor camps and answered various questions on the legislation.

MILITARY JUSTICE—PAY BILL

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee No. 1 continued consideration of H. R. 2498, military justice bill, and again took the testimony of Felix Larkin of the Office of Secretary of Defense.

Subcommittee No. 2 held executive meeting on H. R. 2553, armed services pay bill.

ALASKA HOUSING—GREENTOWN PROJECTS—CCC CHARTER

Committee on Banking and Currency: Ordered the following bills reported to the House:

H. R. 3615, to promote the settlement and development of the Territory of Alaska by facilitating the construction of necessary housing therein; and

H. R. 2440, to authorize the Public Housing Commissioner to sell the suburban resettlement projects known as Greenbelt, Md.; Greendale, Wis., and Greenhills, Ohio, without regard to provisions of law requiring competitive bidding or public advertising (amended).

Also considered, but took no action on, H. R. 2682, to amend the Commodity Credit Corporation Charter Act. Will continue on this bill tomorrow.

DOCTORS—STARLINGS—STOP ORDERS—NURSERIES

Committee on the District of Columbia: Voted to report the following bills to the House:

H. R. 2056, requiring proof of U. S. citizenship from applicants for license to practice the healing arts;

H. R. 2886, starling extermination program;

H. R. 2104, relative to stop orders to banks in the case of wrongful note payments; and

H. R. 3967, to continue permanent system of nurseries and day-care centers.

FEDERAL WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION

Committee on Education and Labor: Representative Lesinski, chairman of the committee, announced that the Kelley subcommittee would hold hearings between April 11–14 on H. R. 3191, to extend coverage under the Federal Employees' Compensation Act to certain Federal employees not now covered.

SURPLUS LAND DISPOSAL

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: The Subcommittee on Intergovernmental Relations considered sundry bills on disposal of certain agricultural lands acquired by the Government for defense purposes. It will make recommendations on these bills to the full committee at Wednesday's meeting.

NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Continued public hearing before Subcommittee on Public Health, Science, and Commerce on various bills to establish a National Science Foundation. The following witnesses testified: Representative Celler, author of one of the bills under consideration; Dr. Karl T. Compton, Chairman, Research and Development Board, the National Military Establishment; Harold J. Kinney, patent attorney, St. Paul, Minn.; Lawrence C. Kingsland, Commissioner, U. S. Patent Office, Department of Commerce; and Dr. S. D. Kirkpatrick, Associated Business Papers, New York City. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

COLORADO RIVER SYSTEM

Committee on the Judiciary: The following witnesses testified before Subcommittee No. 3 on H. J. Res. 3 and related bills, with regard to joinder of the United States in suit in the U. S. Supreme Court for adjudication of claims to waters of the Colorado River system: Representatives Hinshaw, Engle, Douglas, and Jackson, all of California; Arvin B. Shaw, Assistant Attorney General of California; and Thomas Hall, administrative assistant to Senator McFarland. Hearings to continue at 2 p. m. tomorrow, April 5, in room 346.

ALASKA SALMON TRAPS

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Subcommittee on Alaskan Problems continued hearings on H. R. 1515, to provide for the gradual elimination of salmon traps in the waters of Alaska. Today's witnesses were Mayor Ira Rothwell, representative of the Territorial Fisheries Board of Alaska; Seth Levine, research consultant, CIO Maritime Committee; and Delegate Bartlett, from Alaska. Adjourned subject to the call of the Chair.

POSTAL RATES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Postmaster General Jesse M. Donaldson was today's only witness at the hearings on H. R. 2945, to increase certain postal rates. Hearings will be continued Wednesday.

CENTRAL ARIZONA PROJECT—ALASKA PUBLIC WORKS

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation heard Cleon T. Knapp, attorney, Tucson, Ariz., speak on behalf of H. R. 934, authorizing the construction, operation, and maintenance of a dam and incidental works in the main stream of the Colorado River at Bridge Canyon, together with appurtenant dams and canals. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

Subcommittee on Territorial and Insular Possessions opened hearings on H. R. 224, to authorize a program of public works for the development of Alaska. The following witnesses testified in favor of the legislation: Joseph Guandolo, Solicitor, Bureau of Community Facilities, FWA; Irwin W. Silverman, chief counsel, Division of Territories, Department of the Interior; Mayor Z. J. Loussac, Anchorage, Alaska; Mayor Ray Kohler, Fairbanks, Alaska; Jack Scavenius, president, Mount McKinley Airlines, Anchorage, Alaska; and Mayor Ira Rothwell, Cordova, Alaska. Adjourned subject to the call of the Chair.

TAFT-HARTLEY REPEAL

Committee on Rules: Canceled today's meeting which had scheduled further consideration of a rule for H. R. 2032, Taft-Hartley repeal bill. The date for the next meeting will be set by the Chair.

SOCIAL SECURITY

Committee on Ways and Means: At the hearing on H. R. 2893, amending the Social Security Act relative to old-age and survivors insurance, the following representatives of insurance companies testified: Albert Linton, president, Provident Mutual Life Insurance Co., Philadelphia, Pa., who also spoke for the Life Insurance Association of America, New York City; Ray D. Murphy, vice president and actuary, Equitable Life Assurance Society of the United States, appearing also for the Life Insurance Association of America, New York City; and Judd C. Benson, chairman, committee on Federal law and legislation, the National Association of Life Underwriters, New York City. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

Tuesday, April, 5, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate continued work on ECA, disposing of various amendments.
House passed Agriculture Department appropriation bill.
Senate groups approved resolution on treatment of religious officials, and D. C. sales-tax and home-rule bills.
Railroad reorganization bill approved by House committee.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 3835–3848

Bills Introduced: Six bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1504 to S. 1509; S. J. Res. 75; and S. Res. 101. Page 3837

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 166, to correct description of land in Pinellas County, Fla. (S. Rept. 212);

S. 493, to extend the benefits of the Vocational Education Act of 1946 to the Virgin Islands (S. Rept. 213); and

S. 270, to change the name of Culbertson Dam on Republican River in Nebraska to Trenton Dam, with amendments (S. Rept. 214). Page 3837

Bills Referred: Twenty-two House-passed bills were referred to appropriate committees. Page 3837

Bills Placed on Calendar: H. R. 779, to increase the time for presenting claims to Federal agencies or prosecuting claims in U. S. district courts under Federal Tort Claims Act, and H. R. 3856, to provide for a Commission on Renovation of the Executive Mansion, were placed on the calendar. Page 3831

Naval Officers: Senate concurred in House amendment to S. 278, to prevent retroactive checkage of payments erroneously made to certain retired Naval Reserve officers, thus clearing the bill for the President's signature. Pages 3837–3838

Personal Property: Senate concurred in House amendment to S. 629, authorizing disposition of certain personal property in possession of Department of Treasury, Army, Navy, or Air Force, thus clearing the bill for the President's signature. Page 3838

Quorum Calls: Discussion was had concerning counting of Senators on a quorum call. Pages 3832–3835

ECA: Senate continued consideration of S. 1209, to amend the Economic Cooperation Act of 1948, and took action on the following amendments:

Adopted, by voice vote, Magnuson amendment to assure that at least 50 percent of goods shipped abroad be sent in American vessels so far as practicable and when available at market rates; and by voice vote, Magnuson amendment to prevent use of ships other than those of participating countries.

Rejected, by 22 yeas to 56 nays, Ellender amendment providing that 25 percent rather than 5 percent of special currency accounts shall be used to purchase scarce strategic materials for U. S.; by 27 yeas to 55 nays, Ellender amendment barring use of funds for payments on national debt of foreign countries; by 32 yeas to 48 nays, Jenner amendment defining "surplus agricultural commodities" and laying down standards for procurement of same; by voice vote, Magnuson amendment to strike from bill provision that would make available without reimbursement American ships for assisting emigration from Italy; by 22 yeas to 59 nays, Baldwin amendment prohibiting assistance to a country or protectorate violating any treaty with U. S.; by 33 yeas to 45 nays, McCarthy amendment to provide liaison officers to protect U. S. competitive position, and withholding assistance to countries engaging in discrimination because of race or religion.

When the Senate recessed, the pending question was the adoption of the Fulbright amendment to the bill earmarking at least 5 percent of the funds to be used as "incentive fund" to encourage European union.

Pages 3848–3899

Nominations: The nominations of two U. S. district judges and one civilian withdrawal were received.

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Committee Meetings

ARMY CIVIL-FUNCTIONS APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee opened hearings on H. R. 3734, Army civil-functions appropriations for 1950, and heard Maj. Gen. Lewis A. Pick, Chief of Army Engineers, and assistants discuss generally the proposed appropriations embodied in the bill for rivers and harbors and flood control. Hearings continue Wednesday.

LABOR-FSA APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee concluded marking up for reporting to full committee H. R. 3333, Labor-FSA appropriations for 1950, but made no announcement of any proposed changes in the bill. Full committee is expected to meet on the bill before end of the week.

GUIDED MISSILES

Committee on Armed Services: Brig. Gen. William L. Richardson, Air Force, and Dr. Karl T. Compton, Chairman of Research and Development Board, together with representatives of the Navy and Air Force, appeared before the committee to be questioned on proposed legislation embodied in H. R. 1741, to establish a long-range guided-missiles proving ground.

D. C. SALES TAX AND HOME RULE

Committee on the District of Columbia: By vote of 7 to 4, the committee approved for reporting with amendments, including one to exempt all drugs, H. R. 3704, to provide additional revenue for the District of Columbia through a tax on gross sales and increasing the rates of various existing taxes.

By vote of 8 to 1, the committee voted to report with amendment S. 1365, providing home rule for the District of Columbia.

PROTESTS VERSUS TREATMENT OF RELIGIOUS OFFICIALS, AND NOMINATIONS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee agreed to introduce and report simultaneously a resolution to express the sense of the Senate that actions of countries in the persecution of Cardinal Mindszenty of Hungary, Archbishop Stepinac of Yugoslavia, and Protestant clergymen in Bulgaria "should be strongly protested in the United Nations or by whatever other means may be appropriate."

It also approved favorably for reporting the nominations of John J. Muccio, Rhode Island, to be Ambassador to Korea, together with nine other Foreign Service appointments.

VIRGIN ISLANDS, PUBLIC LAND, AND TRENTON DAM

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: In executive session, the committee voted to report without amendment S. 493, to extend the benefits of the Vocational Education Act of 1946 to the Virgin Islands; and S. 166, to correct description of land in Pinellas County, Fla.; and with amendment S. 270, to change the name of Culbertson Dam on Republican River in Nebraska to Trenton Dam. Committee meets again tomorrow.

STUDENT TRAVEL

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: The following witnesses appeared before the committee to express their views on S. Res. 83, requesting the President to use certain merchant vessels for temporary transoceanic passenger service (student service): Senator Flanders; E. J. Whitcomb, American Association of Travel Agents; Earl W. Eames, Jr., and Lloyd A. Haynes, MIT dormitory; R. Martin Stevenson, Arnold Bernstein Steamship Corp.; Frazer A. Bailey, National Federation of American Shipping; John F. Brennan, United States Lines; William C. Johnstone, Jr., Office of Educational Exchange, State Department; Fowler Barker, Travel Branch, Office of International Trade, Commerce Department; Admiral W. W. Smith, Chairman, U. S. Maritime Commission; and Hoyt S. Haddock, CIO Maritime Committee.

U. S. SECURITY—ESPIONAGE

Committee on the Judiciary: Testimony in support of the enactment of S. 595, relative to internal security of the U. S. by strengthening the espionage statutes, was heard by the subcommittee from Attorney General Tom Clark, Admiral Roscoe Hillenkoetter, and Capt. S. W. Dubois, USN. Subcommittee continues Wednesday.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Twenty-three public bills, H. R. 4016–4038; seven private bills, H. R. 4039–4045; and four resolutions, H. J. Res. 215, and H. Res. 178–180, were introduced. Pages 3951, 3954–3955

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. R. 4016, Departments of State, Justice, Commerce, and the Judiciary appropriation bill for 1950 (H. Rept. 386);

H. R. 2886, to provide for the killing of starlings in the District of Columbia (H. Rept. 387);

H. R. 1753, to authorize the sale of certain Indian lands in Utah (amended) (H. Rept. 388);

H. R. 3005, to regulate subsistence expenses and mileage allowances of civilian officers and employees of the Government (amended) (H. Rept. 389);

Six private bills, H. R. 691, 1025, 1472, 1858, 2931, and 3812 (H. Repts. 390–395, respectively);

H. R. 3615, to promote the settlement and development of the Territory of Alaska by facilitating the construction of necessary housing therein (H. Rept. 396);

H. R. 3967, to continue permanent system of nurseries and day-care centers in the District of Columbia (H. Rept. 397);

H. R. 2056, requiring proof of U. S. citizenship from applicants for license to practice the healing arts in the District of Columbia (H. Rept. 398);

H. R. 2104, relative to stop orders to banks in the case of wrongful note payments (H. Rept. 399);

H. Res. 180, providing for consideration of 3 hours of general debate on, and waiving points of order against H. R. 4016, the Departments of State, Justice, Commerce, and Judiciary appropriation bill for 1950 (H. Rept. 400). Page 3954

Crippled Children: Adopted H. J. Res. 212, authorizing an appropriation for the Federal Security Administrator, in addition to those authorized under the Social Security Act, to provide for meeting emergency needs of crippled children during fiscal year 1949. Page 3900

Commission Appointments: Representatives Norton and McMillan were appointed to membership on the National Capital Sesquicentennial Commission by the Speaker. Page 3901

Private Calendar: Passed the following bills on the call of the Private Calendar:

Cleared for the President: S. 26, 27, 208, and 748.

Sent to the Senate without amendment: H. R. 52, 631, 718, 737, 738, 750, 1011, 1030, 1037, 1113, 1281, 1874, 1875, 1976, 2069, 2078, 2935, 3313, 3620, 3663, and 3727.

Sent to the Senate, amended: H. R. 589, 603, 636, 639, 688, 692, 761, 807, 1029, 1053, 1058, 1062, 1109, 1131, 1288, 1461, 1467, 1468, 1497, 2249, 2353, 2360, 2710, 3311, 3323, 3324, 3534, and 3603.

Passed over without prejudice: H. R. 656, 766, 1056, 1121, and 3532.

Recommitted: S. 32. Pages 3901–3910

Agriculture Appropriations: Passed by voice vote, H. R. 3997, the Department of Agriculture appropriation bill for 1950. This measure carries a total of $701,122,079 in direct appropriations which is $25,798,829 below the budget estimate for direct appropriations for 1950. The bill contains a $350 million authorization in REA loans with language authorizing the use of $150 million additional when deemed advisable by the Secretary; also has loan authorizations of $101,750,000 for the several loan programs under the Farmers' Home Administration. Adopted an amendment to include shelter belts in the provisions relative to forest and range management investigations of the Forest Service. Pages 3910–3950

Committee Meetings

MILITARY JUSTICE—PAY BILL—SUBCOMMITTEES

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee No. 1 considered H. R. 2498, military justice bill, in an executive meeting. Will continue on this subject tomorrow.

Subcommittee No. 2 held morning and afternoon hearings on H. R. 2553, armed services pay bill, and will continue on the same bill tomorrow.

At an executive meeting of the full committee announcement was made of appointments of the following special subcommittees: Subcommittee on Clothing, Representative Hébert, chairman; Subcommittee on Reserve Components, Representative Short, chairman; and Subcommittee on Natural Resources, Representative Rivers, chairman.

CCC CHARTER

Committee on Banking and Currency: Continued executive discussions on H. R. 2682, to amend the Commodity Credit Corporation Charter Act relative to the acquisition of storage facilities. Will meet tomorrow to consider the legislation further.

NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION—NATURAL GAS ACT

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee on Public Health, Science, and Commerce continued hearings on bills to establish a National Science Foundation and heard Fritz G. Lanham, former Member of Congress, who spoke in opposition to the bills. Meeting adjourned subject to the call of the Chair.

Subcommittee on Petroleum and Federal Power opened public hearings on H. R. 79, 982, and 1758, amending the Natural Gas Act. Today's witnesses were Representative Lyle, sponsor of H. R. 79, which

would amend the act to make it applicable to the transportation of natural gas in interstate commerce, and Representative Dolliver, sponsor of H. R. 982, which would establish a policy for the administration of the act. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

WITNESS FEES—RAILROAD BANKRUPTCY—COLORADO RIVER SYSTEM

Committee on the Judiciary: The following bills were ordered reported favorably to the House:

H. R. 1953, to increase fees of witnesses in the United States courts and before United States commissioners; and

H. R. 2770, to amend the Bankruptcy Act (sec. 77), to insure that such control as the States and their regulatory agencies have over railroads generally, in respect of service, operations, etc., shall not be abrogated in the case of a particular railroad merely because it has been reorganized under the Federal Bankruptcy Act.

In an afternoon meeting, Subcommittee No. 3 heard Senator McFarland on H. J. Res. 3, relative to joinder of the United States in suit for adjudication of claims to waters of the Colorado River system. Other witnesses testifying were Representative Murdock and Irvin B. Shaw, Assistant Attorney General of California. These hearings will be resumed tomorrow, April 6, at 2 p. m. in Room 346.

PANAMA CANAL

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Subcommittee on Panama Canal considered H. R. 2140, regarding Panama Canal employees; H. R. 2237, a private bill; H. R. 3158, to revise and codify laws of the Canal Zone regarding administration of estates; and H. R. 3159, to amend the Canal Zone Code. Witnesses testifying on these bills were: Bernard F. Burdick, Chief of Office, the Panama Canal; Alfred Krebs, counsel, National Federation of American Shipping; and Lewis Fisher, attorney, Washington, D. C. Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

HOUSING CENSUS—CENSUS FEES—POST OFFICE EXPENSES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: The Murray subcommittee approved for reporting to the full committee, H. R. 2203, providing for a decennial census of housing, beginning in 1950.

The Morrison subcommittee approved for reporting to the full committee H. R. 142, exempting active, retired, or honorably discharged members of the armed forces, and persons requiring data as proof of age for purposes of old-age assistance or insurance benefits, from payment of census-data fees.

The Thornberry subcommittee held hearings on H. R. 2841, authorizing certain administrative expenses in the Post Office Department. The following officials of the Department testified: Alfer B. Strom, commissioner of the budget, and Peter J. Connolly, Assistant Solicitor. Adjourned subject to the call of the Chair.

CENTRAL ARIZONA PROJECT

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation heard David A. Johnson, Sr., Pima Indian of Bapchule, Ariz., who spoke in favor of H. R. 934, authorizing the construction, operation, and maintenance of a dam and incidental works in the main stream of the Colorado River at Bridge Canyon, together with appurtenant dams and canals. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

FLOOD CONTROL—RIVERS AND HARBORS

Committee on Public Works: Accepted 11 review resolutions which had been approved previously by actions of the Subcommittees on Flood Control and Rivers and Harbors.

STATE, JUSTICE, COMMERCE, AND JUDICIARY APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Rules: Granted a rule providing for 3 hours' general debate, and waiving points of order against, H. R. 4016, State, Justice, Commerce, and Judiciary appropriation bill for 1950. Representative Rooney spoke in favor of the rule as reported, and Representative Taber objected to certain limitations.

VETERANS' PENSIONS

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Met in executive session and received various amendments to H. R. 3821, to grant pensions to veterans of World War I, which will be submitted to the Veterans' Administration for report.

Later, in open hearings, testimony was received from Gen. John Thomas Taylor, legislative representative of the American Legion, and Guy H. Birdsall, Assistant Administrator for Legislation of the Veterans' Administration.

SOCIAL SECURITY

Committee on Ways and Means: At today's hearings on H. R. 2893, amending Social Security Act (title II), regarding old-age and survivors insurance, the following witnesses testified: H. Willis Tobler, National Cooperative Milk Producers Association, Washington, D. C.; W. Rulon Williamson, actuary, Washington, D. C.; Herbert Pillen, Controlled-Circulation Newspapers of America, Inc., Washington, D. C.; and Elmer W. Henderson, director, American Council on Human Rights, Washington, D. C. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

Wednesday, April 6, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate continued work on ECA, disposing of various amendments.

House adjourned out of respect to Representative Somers.

Senate groups approved bills on Government reorganization and guided missiles, resolutions on investigation of economic problems, and martial law, and various nominations.

Commodity Credit storage facility bill approved by House committee.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 3959–4006

Bills Introduced: Fourteen bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1510 to S. 1523; and S. Res. 102 and S. Res. 103. Pages 3961, 4005

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. J. Res. 186, to extend the time for use of construction reserve funds established under section 511 of Merchant Marine Act, 1936 (S. Rept. 215);

H. R. 1741, to establish a long-range guided-missiles proving ground, with amendments (S. Rept. 216);

S. Con. Res. 26, authorizing Joint Committee on Economic Report to investigate certain economic problems, and to provide $30,000 for that purpose (S. Rept. 217), referred to Committee on Rules and Administration;

S. Res. 101, to authorize an additional $50,000 for the Committee on Banking and Currency for committee expenditures (S. Rept. 218), referred to Committee on Rules and Administration;

S. Res. 18, to authorize the Committee on the Judiciary to investigate martial law in Hawaii, with amendment (S. Rept. 219), referred to Committee on Rules and Administration; and

S. Res. 102, favoring protests in UN of persecution of certain clergymen in Hungary, Yugoslavia, and Bulgaria (S. Rept. 220). Page 3961

Bills Referred: Fifty House-passed bills were referred to appropriate committees. Pages 3961–3962

Bill Placed on Calendar: H. R. 1113, private bill, was placed on calendar. Page 3962

ECA: Senate continued consideration of S. 1209, to amend the Economic Cooperation Act of 1948, and took action on the following amendments:

Adopted, by voice vote, Magnuson amendment to give Secretary of Agriculture additional authority to determine when an agricultural commodity is in excess of domestic requirements; by voice vote, Wherry amendment to assist in securing equitable treatment of small business; and by voice vote, Brewster amendment to deny funds to any country against which UN is taking preventive or enforcement action.

Rejected, by 23 yeas to 59 nays, Fulbright amendment as modified to earmark portion of funds to finance specific measures of aid toward closer economic cooperation of European countries; by 15 yeas to 67 nays, Cain-Bridges amendment striking out authorization of $4.28 billion for fiscal year 1950 and stating that sums for that year shall be such as Congress shall appropriate. Pages 3967–4005

Condolence Resolution: Adopted S. Res. 103, providing for expression of sympathy to family of Representative Somers, and appointment of Senators to a funeral committee. Page 4005

Confirmations: Senate confirmed 13 civilian nominations, including that of John J. Muccio, Rhode Island, to be Ambassador to Korea. Pages 4005–4006

Committee Meetings

ARMY CIVIL FUNCTIONS APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee continued hearings on H. R. 3734, Army civil-functions appropriations for 1950, receiving further testimony from Maj. Gen. Lewis A. Pick, Chief of Army Engineers, and his assistants, on proposed appropriations for rivers and harbors and flood control. Also testifying was Gen. Peter A. Feringa, Corps of Engineers. Hearings continue tomorrow.

GUIDED MISSILES—NATIONAL SECURITY ACT

Committee on Armed Services: Committee voted to report with amendments H. R. 1741, to establish a long-range guided-missiles proving ground.

Frank Pace, Director of the Bureau of the Budget, appeared to express his views on the enactment of S. 1269, to convert the National Military Establishment

into an executive department to be known as the Department of Defense, and to establish the responsibility and authority of the Secretary of Defense (National Security Act amendments of 1949). Committee meets again Thursday.

NOMINATION, COMMITTEE EXPENDITURES, AND TIN

Committee on Banking and Currency: In executive session, the committee took the following action: Voted to report favorably the nomination of Hawthorne Arey to be member of Board of Directors of Import-Export Bank, and approved for reporting without amendment S. Con. Res. 26, authorizing Joint Committee on Economic Report to investigate certain economic problems, and to provide $30,000 for that purpose, and S. Res. 101, to authorize an additional $50,000 for the Committee on Banking and Currency for committee expenditures.

James L. Dougherty, general counsel, RFC, appeared before the committee to testify in support of S. 1433, to authorize the use of certain tin ores or tin concentrates held by the RFC for industrial purposes.

REORGANIZATION

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: The committee voted unanimously to report favorably, with amendments, S. 526, Reorganization Act of 1949. Today, by vote of 7 to 1, the committee added an amendment proposed by Senator Long in the nature of a policy expression on the part of Congress that any reorganization plan submitted should contain only related reorganizations. Amendments priorly agreed to follow: provision for the rejection of any reorganization plan by adoption of a simple resolution of disapproval by either House of Congress; time limit of April 1, 1953, for submitting reorganization plans; no specific exemption of agencies; and corrective amendment permitting appointment of officials in the D. C. government by the Board of Commissioners as now provided by law, or as recommended in a reorganization plan.

Also today, in view of previous action of the committee in favor of disapproval of plans by a simple resolution of either House and against all restrictions, committee rejected by a vote of 7 to 3 an amendment by Senator Mundt providing that a reorganization plan affecting certain agencies may not provide also for reorganization affecting other agencies, except for transfers to such agencies.

Hearings have been tentatively scheduled for next week on S. 990, the Federal Property Act of 1949, and related bills.

CALENDAR BUSINESS

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Committee met in executive session to consider calendar business, but made no announcement of action taken. Committee meets again tomorrow.

NOMINATIONS, COMMERCE, CAB, AND ICC

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Committee voted to report favorably the following four nominations, after receiving testimony on the nomination of Cornelius Vanderbilt Whitney to be Under Secretary of Commerce: Oswald Ryan to be a member of the CAB, Thomas C. Blaisdell, Jr., to be Assistant Secretary of Commerce, Hugh W. Cross to be ICC Commissioner, and that of Cornelius Vanderbilt Whitney, to be Under Secretary of Commerce.

It also voted to report without amendment H. J. Res. 186, to extend the time for use of construction reserve funds established under section 511 of Merchant Marine Act, 1936.

MARTIAL LAW, NOMINATIONS, MULTIPLE TAXATION, AND BASING POINT

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee met in executive session and took the following action: Voted to report with amendment S. Res. 18, to authorize the committee to investigate martial law in Hawaii.

It approved for reporting 12 private bills: S. 42, 408, H. R. 594, 595, 1094, 1164, 1169, 1176, 1271, 1280, 1286, and S. J. Res. 18.

The nomination of one marshal (Larry M. Morphis, Tennessee), and one U. S. attorney (John Brown, Tennessee) were approved for reporting favorably.

It voted to postpone indefinitely S. 864, relative to multiple taxation by States. S. 934, relative to commitment of persons of unsound mind to Federal institutions, was referred to subcommittee consisting of Senators McGrath, O'Conor, and Donnell.

Subcommittee reported to the full committee, with amendment, S. 1008, to provide a 2-year moratorium with respect to application of certain antitrust laws to individual, good-faith delivered-price systems, and freight-absorption practices. Committee discussed the bill but postponed action. Committee postponed action on S. 1327, requiring loyalty oath by officers and employees of U. S. Government, and at a later date will refer the bill to a subcommittee for study.

U. S. SECURITY—ESPIONAGE

Committee on the Judiciary: Attorney General Tom Clark continued his testimony before the subcommittee today in support of S. 595, relative to internal security of the U. S. by strengthening the espionage statutes. Hearings continue Thursday.

POSTAL RATES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Subcommittee continued hearings on S. 1103, to readjust postal rates, receiving further testimony from opposition witnesses, as follows: Robert Reed, editor, Country Gentleman; Amory H. Bradford, New York Times; Richard T. White, American Association of Nurserymen, Washington; C. H. Perkins, Jackson & Perkins Co., Newark; George Rose, National Mail Order Nurserymen's Association, Shenandoah, Iowa; Eugene R. Spaulding, The New Yorker; Father Paul Bussard, The Catholic Press; Ford Stewart, Christian Herald; and Col. Hamilton Walker, Protestant Publications. Hearings continue Friday.

SENATE OFFICE BUILDING

Senate Office Building Commission: The commission met in executive session with David Lynn, Architect of the Capitol, to study the plans of the New Senate Office Building.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Fifteen public bills, H. R. 4046–4060; five private bills, H. R. 4061–4065; and two resolutions, H. Res. 181 and 182, were introduced.

Pages 4010–4011

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. R. 4046, second deficiency appropriation bill for 1949 (H. Rept. 401);

H. R. 2440, disposition of Greentown projects (H. Rept. 402); and

H. Res. 182, providing for consideration of 2 hours of debate on, and waiving of all points of order against, H. R. 4046, the second deficiency appropriation bill for 1949 with the exception of the provision to repeal section 10 of the Interior Department Appropriation Act of 1949 (H. Rept. 403). Page 4011

Eulogy: Numerous Members eulogized the late Representative Somers, of New York. Pages 4006–4010

Condolence Resolution: Adopted H. Res. 181, providing for expressions of sympathy to the family of Representative Somers, and appointment of 12 Members, on the part of the House, to attend the funeral.

Pages 4010–4011

Committee Meetings

SWAN ISLAND STATION—HOMESTEADS—CONSERVATION

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee on Foot and Mouth Disease approved for reporting to the full committee H. R. 3717, repealing the act of 1947, relating to the Swan Island animal quarantine station. In the open hearings on this bill the committee also considered H. J. Res. 177, an identical measure. Speaking in favor of the subject were Dr. B. T. Sims; F. E. Mollin, executive secretary, American National Livestock Association, Denver, Colo.; J. M. Jones, secretary, National Wool Growers Association; and L. Blaine Liljenquist, representing Western States Meat Packers Association, Inc.

Subcommittee No. 3 voted to report unanimously to the full committee H. R. 2514, to enable the Secretary of Agriculture to extend financial assistance to homestead entrymen, amended; and H. R. 3181, providing for more effective conservation in the arid and semi-arid areas of the United States. Witnesses testifying today were Representatives Sanborn and O'Sullivan; Mrs. Marcella Allen, representing National Reclamation Association; D. B. Lasseler, Administrator, Farmers Home Administration; Marcus Braswell, Farmers Home Administration; Howard Campbell, Solicitor's Office, Department of Agriculture, assigned to FHA; E. D. Eaton, Assistant Director, Operation and Maintenance, Bureau of Reclamation.

MILITARY JUSTICE—PAY BILL—ARMORY CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee No. 1 concluded executive work on H. R. 2498, military justice bill, and agreed to report a clean bill, amended, to the full committee.

Subcommittee No. 2 continued hearings on H. R. 2553, armed services pay bill. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

Subcommittee No. 3 held executive meeting on armory construction bills.

CCC CHARTER

Committee on Banking and Currency: Voted to report H. R. 2682 to the House with amendments. This bill would amend the Commodity Credit Corporation Charter Act, the Strategic and Critical Materials Stock Piling Act, relative to the acquisition of storage facilities.

SURPLUS LAND TRANSFERS

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Ordered the following bills reported to the House:

H. R. 1158, conveyance of certain lands to Marfa, Tex.;

H. R. 1338, authorizing transfer by WAA a portion of Fort Brown, Brownsville, Tex., to International Boundary and Water Commission; and

H. R. 3851, relative to transfer of compliance functions of disposing of Government surplus airports, facilities, and equipment.

CHINA

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Met in executive session with Gen. David G. Barr, Director, Joint U. S. Military Advisory Group to China.

NATURAL GAS ACT

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee on Petroleum and Federal Power continued public hearings on H. R. 79, 382, and 1758, bills amending the Natural Gas Act. Witnesses testifying were B. A. Hardey, independent producer of Shreveport, La.; O. C. Bailey, chairman, Arkansas Oil & Gas Commission, Eldorado, Ark.; and Hayden Head, representing Southern Minerals Corps., Corpus Christi, Tex. Committee also received a statement filed by W. M. Vaughey, independent producer of Jackson, Miss. Hearings will be resumed at 2 p. m. tomorrow.

ADMIRALTY—COLORADO RIVER SYSTEM

Committee on the Judiciary: The following witnesses appeared before Subcommittee No. 2 on H. R. 483, to extend the time limit within which certain suits in admiralty may be brought against the United States: Henry N. Longley, New York City, representing Maritime Law Association; George W. Morgan, president, Association of American Ship Owners; Abraham M. Fisch and Jacob Rassner, admiralty lawyers, New York City. The subcommittee agreed to an amended form of the bill to be reintroduced and reported favorably to the full committee.

Subcommittees Nos. 1 and 3 considered pending bills but took no action.

Hearings were continued by Subcommittee No. 3 on H. J. Res. 3, etc., relative to adjudication of claims to waters of the Colorado River system, the witness being James H. Howard, general counsel, Metropolitan Water District of Southern California. The hearings will be resumed May 2.

FISH HATCHERIES

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Subcommittee on Fisheries and Wildlife Conservation considered H. R. 2740, to establish a fish hatchery at or near Millen, Ga., and heard testimony of Representative Preston, author of the bill; Judge Milton A. Carlton, city court of Millen, Ga.; and Dr. O. Lloyd Meehan, of the Fish and Wildlife Service. Also heard Representative Kilburn discuss H. R. 3046, a bill introduced by him, which would authorize expansion of facilities at Cape Vincent, N. Y., fish cultural station. Adjourned subject to the call of the Chair.

The full committee took no formal action on bills which were considered in its executive meeting.

POSTAL RATES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Continued hearings on H. R. 2945, to increase certain postal rates. Testifying today were John C. Lynn, assistant director, Washington office, American Farm Bureau Federation; Francis J. Brown, staff associate, American Council on Education, Washington, D. C.; Richard P. White, executive secretary, American Association of Nurserymen, Washington, D. C., accompanied by George P. Rose, president, National Mail Order Nurserymen's Association; L. R. Sjulin, Interstate Nurseries, Hamburg, Iowa; and Clifford R. Emlong, president, Emlong Nurseries, Stevensville, Mich. Hearings will be continued on Friday.

ANDREW L. SOMERS

Committee on Public Lands: Scheduled meetings were adjourned out of respect to Representative Andrew L. Somers, of New York, chairman of the committee, who died this morning.

SECOND DEFICIENCY APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Rules: Reported a rule granting 2 hours' general debate on H. R. 4046, the second deficiency appropriation bill for 1949. All points of order on the bill are waived with exception of one paragraph which treats on imposition of a limitation on amount available for compensation of personnel-work employees under the Interior Department appropriation bill for 1949.

VETERANS' PENSION

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Heard further testimony from Gen. John Thomas Taylor, legislative representative of the American Legion, at the hearings on H. R. 3821, to grant pensions to veterans of World War I. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

SOCIAL SECURITY

Committee on Ways and Means: Continued public hearings on H. R. 2893, to amend the Social Security Act (title II), regarding old-age and survivors insurance. Sumner H. Slichter, professor of economics, Harvard University, and Associate Chairman, Advisory Council on Social Security, was the only witness who testified. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

Joint Committee Meetings

ATOMIC ENERGY

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: The committee met in executive session with the General Advisory Committee of the Atomic Energy Commission to discuss operations of the Committee and problems of the Commission.

Thursday, April 7, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate continued debate on ECA, disposing of the Malone amendment on loans.

House passed State, Justice, and Commerce Departments appropriation bill.

Senate Finance Committee announced hearings on oleo, and reported bill on funds for crippled children.

Bill to abolish electoral college approved by House group; public-housing hearings begun.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 4012–4021

Bills Introduced: Nine bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1524 to S. 1532; S. Con. Res. 28; and S. Res. 104. Pages 4016–4018

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

The following private bills: S. Con. Res. 28, H. R. 1094, 1164, 1176, 1280, 1286, 594, 1169, S. 42, 408, S. J. Res. 18, H. R. 595 and 1271 (S. Repts. 221–231, 234, and 235, respectively);

S. 526, Reorganization Act of 1949, with amendments (S. Rept. 232);

H. J. Res. 212, to authorize the appropriation of an additional $1½ million to provide for meeting emergency needs for crippled children for fiscal year ending June 30, 1949 (S. Rept. 233);

H. R. 220, to revise the Alaska game law (S. Rept. 236);

H. R. 1998, to correct description of land in Pinellas County, Fla. (S. Rept. 237); and

S. 576, sale of certain Indian lands in Utah, with amendments (S. Rept. 238). Page 4016

ECA: Senate continued debate on S. 1209, to amend the Economic Cooperation Act of 1948, rejecting, by 10 yeas to 72 nays, Malone amendment providing that aid shall be by loans only except for emergency relief of suffering. The pending question at recess was the Kem amendment, as modified, barring aid in the form of dollars or dollar credits for nationalizing or operating any basic industry.

Pages 4021–4041, 4047–4067, 4069–4071

Confirmations: The nominations of Hawthorne Arey, Nebraska, to be member of Board of Directors of Import-Export Bank; Cornelius Vanderbilt Whitney, New York, to be Under Secretary of Commerce; Hugh W. Cross, Illinois, to be ICC Commissioner; and Oswald Ryan, Indiana, to be member of CAB, along with 1,296 sundry armed service nominations, were confirmed.

Pages 4072–4075

Nominations: The nominations of Stephen T. Early, Virginia, to be Under Secretary of Defense, and John Carson, Michigan, to be member of Federal Trade Commission, along with 1 other civilian, 6 Marine Corps, and 297 Navy were received. Pages 4071–4072

Committee Meetings

ARMY CIVIL-FUNCTIONS APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee continued hearings on H. R. 3734, Army civil-functions appropriations for 1950, receiving further testimony from Maj. Gen. Lewis A. Pick, Chief of Engineers, and Gen. Peter A. Feringa, Corps of Engineers, on appropriations proposed for various projects for rivers and harbors and flood control. Several witnesses (private citizens) testified on funds for lower Mississippi flood control. Senator Taft testified on the Martins Ferry project on the Ohio; John A. Engel, Avon, S. Dak., appeared in support of the Gavins Point Dam on the Missouri River; John B. Quinn, Missouri Valley Development Association, discussed the Missouri Basin project; Senators Capehart and Jenner and John C. Mellett, Indianapolis, appeared in support of project at Vincennes, Ind., on the Wabash River; and Arthur Goslin appeared in support of funds for the dredging of the New Haven harbor. Hearings continue Friday.

D. C. APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee opened hearings on H. R. 3082, D. C. appropriations for 1950, receiving testimony from Chairman John Russell Young, Commissioner Guy Mason, and Commissioner Brig. Gen. Gordon Young, all members of the Board of D. C. Commissioners, and heads of various departments of the D. C. government in support of restoring amounts of various items which had been cut in the House-passed bill from the amount of the budget estimates. Subcommittee also heard a summary of the report of survey conducted by Dr. George W. Strayer on the public schools of the District. Hearings continue Friday.

NATIONAL SECURITY ACT—DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Committee on Armed Services: In executive session, the committee heard the following testify in support of S. 1269, to convert the National Military Establishment into an executive department to be known as the Department of Defense, and to establish the responsibility and authority of the Secretary of Defense (National Security Act amendments of 1949): W. Stuart Symington, Secretary of Air Force; Admiral Louis E. Denfeld, Chief of Naval Operations; Gen. Omar N. Bradley, Army Chief of Staff; Gen. Hoyt S. Vandenberg, Air Force Chief of Staff; and Gen. Clifton B. Cates, Commandant of Marine Corps.

It approved for reporting favorably 1,300 nominations for appointments in the Navy, Army, and Marine Corps.

OLEO, CRIPPLED CHILDREN, AND COLLECTORS OF CUSTOMS

Committee on Finance: Committee agreed, in executive session, to hold open hearings on H. R. 2023, to repeal oleomargarine tax, for 5 days beginning April 8.

It also agreed to report favorably the nominations of Victor Russell and Sam D. W. Low to be collectors of customs in Texas. It agreed to report favorably without amendment H. J. Res. 212, to authorize the appropriation of an additional $1,500,000 to provide for meeting emergency needs for crippled children for fiscal year ending June 30, 1949.

ALASKA, INDIANS, AND FLORIDA

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Committee agreed to report favorably the nomination of Ernest H. Gruening to reappointment as Governor of Alaska. It also reported the following three bills: without amendment, H. R. 220, to revise the Alaska game law; H. R. 1998, to correct description of land in Pinellas County, Fla.; and, with amendment, S. 576, sale of certain Indian lands in Utah. Committee meets again Friday.

U. S. SECURITY—ESPIONAGE

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee concluded hearings on S. 595, relative to internal security of the U. S. by strengthening the espionage statutes, after receiving testimony from Peyton Ford, assistant to the Attorney General, in support of the bill.

LIFE-INSURANCE INVESTIGATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee met in executive session to hold an informal discussion of S. Con. Res. 11, to establish a joint committee to study and investigate the life-insurance industry.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Twenty-eight public bills, H. R. 4066–4093; seventeen private bills, H. R. 4094–4110; and three resolutions, H. J. Res. 216 and 217, and H. Res. 183, were introduced. Pages 4119–4120

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

Two private bills, H. R. 3966 and 3992 (H. Repts. 404 and 405, respectively);

H. J. Res. 91, to clear title to all water-front properties of the port of Seattle, Wash., and to continue use by the U. S. Army Transportation Corps of a certain tract of land therein (H. Rept. 406);

H. R. 1158, to provide for the conveyance of the United States to the City of Marfa, Tex., of certain lands formerly owned by that city (amended) (H. Rept. 407);

H. R. 1338, authorizing the transfer to the U. S. section, International Boundary and Waterway Commission, of a portion of Fort Brown, at Brownsville, Tex. (H. Rept. 408);

H. R. 3851, to amend Public Law 289 (80th Cong.), with respect to surplus airport property and to provide for the transfer of compliance functions with relation to such property (H. Rept. 409). Page 4119

State, Justice, Commerce Appropriations: After rejecting a move to recommit the bill and remove the provision relative to establishment and operation of agricultural experiment stations in other American countries, the House, by voice vote, passed H. R. 4016, the Departments of State, Justice, Commerce, and the Judiciary appropriation bill for 1950. All proffered amendments were rejected. As sent to the Senate, the measure carries a cash appropriation of $684,616,102, allotted to the four departments as follows: State Department, $271,405,656; Justice Department, $132,579,141; Commerce Department, $259,927,605; Federal Judiciary, $20,703,700.

The total appropriated by this bill is $55,407,354 less than the budget estimates.

H. Res. 180, the rule for consideration of H. R. 4016, was previously adopted. Pages 4077–4111

Second Deficiency: Adopted H. Res. 182, providing for consideration of 2 hours debate on and waiving all points of order against H. R. 4046, the second deficiency appropriation bill for 1949, with the exception of the provision to repeal section 10 of the Interior Department Appropriation Act of 1949. Pages 4113–4117

Committee Meetings

CO-OP BANKS

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee No. 1 considered and approved for reporting to the full committee, as amended, H. R. 848, to provide for retirement of the Government capital in the central and regional banks for cooperatives.

For farm-program report, see under "Joint Committee Meetings."

PAY BILL—CLOTHING

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee No. 2 further discussed H. R. 2553, the armed services pay bill, and will continue on this subject tomorrow.

The Subcommittee on Clothing opened hearings on the policy of procurement by the armed services. Gordon Gray, Assistant Secretary of the Army, and Maj. Gen. Herman Feldman, Quartermaster General, Department of the Army, testified on the subject.

PUBLIC HOUSING

Committee on Banking and Currency: Opened hearings on H. R. 4009, to establish a national housing program. Speaking on behalf of the bill was Raymond M. Foley, Administrator, Housing and Home Finance Agency, who is scheduled to continue his testimony at tomorrow's meeting.

ANTIPOLL TAX

Committee on House Administration: It was announced that beginning on April 12, the Subcommittee on Elections would hold hearings on anti-poll-tax legislation.

COMMERCE DEPARTMENT—CIVIL AERONAUTICS—NATURAL GAS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Ordered the following bills reported favorably to the House:

H. Res. 106, expressing gratitude of the House to amateur radio operators;

H. R. 162, to provide basic authority for the performance of certain functions and activities of the Department of Commerce;

H. R. 780, amending Civil Aeronautics Act of 1938, by providing for delegation of certain authority of the Administrator, amended; and

H. R. 781, to amend title II of the Civil Aeronautics Act of 1938, with amendments.

At hearings in an afternoon session, the Subcommittee on Petroleum and Federal Power heard the following witnesses on H. R. 79, 982, and 1758, bills amending the Natural Gas Act: Hayden Head, representing Southern Minerals Corp., Corpus Christi, Tex.; R. G. Lawton, McAlester Fuel Co., Magnolia, Ark.; and H. R. Bennett, vice president, C. Huffman Lewis, counsel, and E. L. Rawlins, petroleum engineer, Union Producing Co., subsidiary of United Gas Co., Shreveport, La. Hearings will resume April 25, at which time representatives of the Federal Power Commission will testify.

ELECTORAL COLLEGE—NATURALIZATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Ordered the following bills reported to the House:

H. J. Res. 2, proposing a constitutional amendment which would abolish the electoral college system;

H. J. Res. 91, cancellation of 1923 agreement between U. S. and port of Seattle;

H. R. 1837, relating to authorization for change of name as part of the naturalization of any person; and

H. R. 3436, amending the Lucas Act, with respect to redefinition of request for relief.

COAL TRANSPORTATION

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Subcommittee on Maritime Affairs approved for reporting to the full committee H. R. 75, to permit the transportation of coal to Ogdensburg, N. Y., in foreign vessels. Representative Kilburn, author of the bill, was the first witness to be heard. He was followed by Robert C. King, Division of Traffic, Maritime Commission; Seth Levine, CIO Maritime Committee; and Alfred U. Krebs, counsel, National Federation of American Shipping.

POST OFFICE—CENSUS—FEDERAL EMPLOYEES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Ordered the following bills reported to the House:

H. R. 91, to provide for research and development program in Post Office Department;

H. R. 142, exempting active, retired, or honorably discharged members of the armed forces, and persons requiring data as proof of age for purposes of old-age assistance or insurance benefits, from payment of census-data fees;

H. R. 2202, providing for a decennial census of housing, beginning in 1950;

H. R. 2662, permitting Federal employees to participate in funerals of deceased members of the armed forces returned to United States for burial;

H. R. 3198, to permit Federal employees to be employed part time for taking the census; and

H. R. 1689, to increase compensation of heads and assistant heads of executive departments and independent agencies and D. C. government employees, amended.

MINING ASSESSMENTS

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Mines and Mining concluded hearings on H. R. 1754, and related bills, providing for the suspension of annual assessment work on mining claims held by location in the United States. Secretary of the Interior Julius A. Krug was the final witness to discuss the proposed legislation.

VETERANS' PENSIONS

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Omar B. Ketchum, national legislative representative of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, and his assistant, John T. Williamson, testified on H. R. 3821, to provide pensions for veterans of World War I. Mr. Ketchum suggested that the bill be amended to provide that only those who were discharged under honorable conditions should be entitled to pensions and that the prohibition against receipt of pension by those guilty of willful misconduct be restricted to those guilty of felonious misconduct. He also advocated that the rate at age 65 be set at $75 per month and that all veterans permanently and totally disabled for non-service-connected reasons be entitled to this rate. The present law provides a rate of $60 for veterans in this class. Hearings continue tomorrow.

SOCIAL SECURITY

Committee on Ways and Means: Maurice J. Tobin, Secretary of Labor, testified today on H. R. 2893, to amend the Social Security Act (title II), regarding old-age and survivors insurance. He was followed by Frieda S. Miller, Director, Women's Bureau, Labor Department; R. E. Reichert, representing the American Bankers Association; Ben F. Ostergren, manager, county highway officials division, American Roadbuilders; Miss Olive H. Huston, executive director, the National Federation of Business and Professional Women's Clubs, Inc., New York City; Robert E. Canfield, representing the American Paper and Pulp Association, New York City; and Richard P. White, executive secretary, American Association of Nurserymen, Washington, D. C. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

Joint Committee Meetings

FARM PROGRAM

Joint Meeting of *House Committee on Agriculture* with *Senate Committee on Agriculture and Forestry:* Charles F. Brannan, Secretary of Agriculture, testified today before a joint session of these two groups on the national farm program—a program that he would much rather having working well in the immediate future than one that will partly do the job for 20 years. The Secretary stated that he was thankful that we have had a great deal of excellent legislation and much good experience on which to base an effective farm program, and added, "We have seen that the measures dealing with the selling prices of farm products and the incomes of producers are the keys to a successful program."

He listed several ways in which we can expect an effective farm production and price-stabilization program to serve the interests of all the people; namely, it should help prevent depression, help build markets for industrial goods, and help maintain employment for labor. He pointed out that stable farm prices and incomes encourage high-level production with the greatest assurance of reasonable prices to consumers, because a program that helps maintain farm income helps to maintain agricultural resources.

Mr. Brannan presented several proposals and discussed the objectives, formulas, application of support, and conditions of support in detail. His discussion included the income and price-support standards, application to specific commodities, price-support methods, conditions, and limits.

The Secretary will continue on this subject tomorrow at a meeting of the House Committee on Agriculture.

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Friday, April 8, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed ECA bill.

House passed second deficiency appropriations.

Conferees filed report on D. C. rent control, and Senate D. C. Committee approved D. C. revenue and home-rule bills.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 4121–4125

Bills Introduced: Thirteen bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1533 to S. 1545; S. Res. 105 and 106. Pages 4124–4125

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 1122, relative to children born out of wedlock in D. C., with amendments (S. Rept. 239);

S. 1418, to amend comprehensively section 3 of an act entitled "An act to incorporate the Washington Gas Light Co." (S. Rept. 240); and

S. 690, to authorize the furnishing of water to the Yuma auxiliary project, Arizona, through the works of the Gila project, Arizona, with amendment (S. Rept. 241). Page 4124

Bill Referred: One House-passed bill was referred to appropriate committee. Page 4125

Bill Postponed: Judiciary Committee was discharged from further consideration of S. 1523, private bill, which was indefinitely postponed. Page 4125

ECA: By 70 yeas to 7 nays, Senate passed S. 1209, to amend the Economic Cooperation Act of 1948, after taking the following action on amendments:

Adopted, by voice vote, Brewster amendment to bar funds for advertising in U. S. of any foreign product or foreign travel; by voice vote, Bridges-McCarran amendment providing a system to insure efficient use of aid; by 59 yeas to 22 nays, McCarran amendment providing that U. S. dollars shall be used in placing marine insurance on goods procured in U. S.; and, by 44 yeas to 35 nays, Gillette amendment requiring 15 percent of corn exports to be in form of grits, meal, and flour produced in U. S.

Rejected, by 20 yeas to 62 nays, Kem amendment, as modified barring aid in the form of dollars or dollar credits for nationalizing or operating any basic industry; by 26 yeas to 56 nays, Bridges-McCarran amendment requiring labeling of goods to show they have been supplied by U. S.; by voice vote, Kem amendment barring funds when currency controls prevent reflection of purchasing power in terms of the dollar; by 13 yeas to 66 nays, Langer amendment terminating aid to any country dismantling peacetime industry in Germany; and, by 15 yeas to 67 nays, Fulbright amendment to encourage European political unification.

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Deficiency Appropriation: Senate made its unfinished business H. R. 2632, first deficiency appropriations for 1949. Page 4151

Confirmations: The nominations of three civilians, including that of Ernest Gruening to be Governor of Alaska, were confirmed. Page 4154

Nominations: Two civilian nominations, including that of Louis G. Dreyfus, Jr., of California, to be Ambassador to Afghanistan, were received. Page 4153

Committee Meetings

ARMY CIVIL-FUNCTIONS APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Continuing hearings on H. R. 3734, Army civil-functions appropriations for 1950, subcommittee received testimony from Senator Robertson and several witnesses representing themselves or associations of citizens on Southern Branch of Elizabeth River, Va.; Representative Passman and other witnesses testified on lower Mississippi flood control; Representative Morrison and others appeared in behalf of Louisiana projects; Senators Connally and Johnson of Texas, Representative Thompson, and others appeared in behalf of Texas projects; Senators Hickenlooper, Thye, and Humphrey, and Representative Martin of Iowa appeared in support of Keokuk lock and other projects; Representative Davies of New York appeared in support of funds for Oswego Harbor; Representative Moulder and others testified on Chariton River project, Missouri; Senators Miller, Cain, and Taylor testified on Ice Harbor Dam; Senator Ferguson and others appeared in behalf of survey items in Michigan; Senator Chavez and others appeared in support of Rio Grande project, New Mexico; and Senator Saltonstall appeared in support of projects in Massachusetts. Hearings continue tomorrow.

D. C. APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee concluded hearings on H. R. 3682, D. C. appropriations for 1950, after receiving testimony from many D. C. government officials in support of funds for their respective departments or offices as follows: Metropolitan Police, Policemen's and Firemen's Relief, Health Department, Department of Corrections, Public Welfare, Office of Chief Clerk, Office of Municipal Architect, Office of Superintendent of District Buildings, Surveyor's Office, Department of Inspections, Electrical Division, Central Garage, Reimbursement of Other Appropriations From Highway Fund, Division of Sanitation, Sewer Division, National Guard, National Capital Parks, National Zoological Park, Recorder of Deeds, National Capital Park and Planning Commission, and Temporary Home for Former Soldiers, Sailors, and Marines. The subcommittee also heard a number of D. C. citizens representing themselves and civic organizations in support of funds for various divisions of the District government.

D. C. TAX, HOME RULE, CHILDREN, AND WASHINGTON GAS CO. BILLS

Committee on the District of Columbia: Committee reconsidered its action of April 5 on D. C. sales-tax and home-rule bills, and took the following action:

By vote of 7 to 1, it voted to report without amendment a new bill under the number of S. 1527, instead of S. 1365, to provide home rule for the District of Columbia.

By 5 to 3, the committee voted to report with amendments, including one to exempt all drugs, H. R. 3704, to provide additional revenue for the D. C. by levying a tax on gross sales and increasing rates on various existing taxes.

Committee unanimously voted to report, without amendment, S. 1122, relating to children born out of

wedlock in D. C., and, with amendment, S. 1418, to amend comprehensively section 3 of an act entitled "An act to incorporate the Washington Gas Light Co."

OLEO

Committee on Finance: Committee opened hearings on H. R. 2023, repeal of oleomargarine tax, with Senators Fulbright and Maybank testifying in support of the House-passed version of the bill. Hearings continue tomorrow.

WYOMING—EDEN PROJECT

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: John A. Goe, Soil Conservation Service, Agriculture Department, and Goodrich W. Lineweaver and Floyd Dominy, both of the Bureau of Reclamation, appeared before the committee to express their views on S. 55, to authorize completion of construction and development of Eden project in Wyoming.

It also approved with amendment S. 690, to authorize the furnishing of water to the Yuma auxiliary project, Arizona, through the works of the Gila project, Arizona. Committee meets again Saturday.

DP COMMISSIONERS

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee met in executive session to consider the nominations of Ugo Carusi, Edward M. O'Connor, and Harry N. Rosenfield to be members of the Displaced Persons Commission.

POSTAL RATES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Subcommittee continued hearings on S. 1103, to readjust postal rates, receiving testimony from the following witnesses in opposition to an increase in second-class postal rates: Frank Daniels, Raleigh News and Observer; Charles Puckette, the Chattanooga Times; H. Willis Tobler, National Co-op Milk Producers Federation, Washington; Josh L. Horne and Cranston Williams, American Newspaper Publishers Association; Elizabeth A. Smart, National WCTU; and Harold L. Schilz, National Retail Credit Association.

The following witnesses testified in support of increase of third-class postal rates: John Walker, John E. Tillotson, and Ed Kriz, Associated Third Class Mail Users and Associates; and John McD. Kane, president, Mail Advertising Service Association, International. Hearings continue Monday, April 11.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Twenty-five public bills, H. R. 4111–4135; ten private bills, H. R. 4136–4145; and one resolution, H. J. Res. 218, were introduced.

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Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. Res. 106, to express the gratitude of the House to amateur radio operators (H. Rept. 410);

H. R. 2662, to grant time to employees in the executive branch of the Government to participate, without loss of pay or leave, in funerals for deceased servicemen returned to the United States for burial (H. Rept. 411);

H. R. 3974, to promote the rehabilitation of Standing Rock Sioux Tribe of Indians and better utilization of the resources of Standing Rock Indian Reservation (H. Rept. 412);

H. R. 142, excepting certain persons from the requirement of paying fees for certain census data (H. Rept. 413);

H. R. 2203, providing for a decennial census of housing, beginning in 1950 (H. Rept. 414);

Conference report on H. R. 1757, the rent-control bill for the District of Columbia (H. Rept. 415); and

H. R. 195, to assist States in collecting sales and use taxes on cigarettes (H. Rept. 416). Pages 4182–4183

Second Deficiency Appropriation: After defeating a move to recommit the bill and have it reported back providing $100,000 for the functions of the War Claims Commission, the House passed H. R. 4046, the second deficiency appropriation bill for 1949, making appropriations of $671,047,172.84 available to supply general deficiencies in various branches of Government departments. The amount provided by this bill is $26,981,225 below the budget estimates. Two amendments were adopted, one to authorize payment of $12,500 to the widow of a deceased Member, and the other to provide $10,000 for acquiring land for the Gettysburg National Cemetery. Pages 4155–4181

D. C. Rent Control: Adopted conference report on H. R. 1757, D. C. rent-control extension bill.

Pages 4182–4183

Committee Meetings

PAY BILL

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee No. 2 continued executive consideration of H. R. 2553, armed services pay bill, and will continue on the same legislation tomorrow.

PUBLIC HOUSING

Committee on Banking and Currency: Raymond M. Foley, Administrator, Housing and Home Finance Agency, completed his testimony at the hearings on H. R. 4009, to establish a national housing program. He was followed by John Taylor Egan, Commissioner, Public Housing Administration. Hearings will be continued on Monday.

FEDERAL PROPERTY DISPOSAL

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: The Subcommittee on Legislative Reorganization held hearings on H. R. 2781, to reorganize and simplify the disposal of Government property. Testifying on this bill were Representative Brown of Ohio, former member of the Commission on Organization of the Executive Branch of the Government; Gordon Gray, Assistant Secretary of the Army, and Donald F. Carpenter, Chairman, Munitions Board, both speaking for the National Military Establishment. Jim Reed submitted a clarifying statement on behalf of William H. Moore, of Arkansas, member of the National Commission of State Educational Agencies for Surplus Property, and representing the State departments of 43 States.

PATENTS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 4 heard the following witnesses on bills to extend certain patents: Representative O'Hara of Minnesota; Col. George W. Gardes, National Military Establishment; Harry H. Hitzman, patent lawyer, Chicago; Ellie P. Agnides, inventor, New York City; Jack Still, inventor, Bradford, Pa.; and Fritz G. Lanham, former Member of Congress.

Subcommittee No. 1 considered pending bills but took no action.

POSTAL RATES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Held further hearings on H. R. 2945, to increase certain postal rates, and heard testimony of the following witnesses: John Walker, president, Associated Third Class Mail Users, Kansas City, Mo., accompanied by two members of his organization, Edward Kriz, consultant, Washington, D. C., and Montreal, Canada, and John E. Tillotson, president, Modern Handcraft, North Kansas City, Mo.; John McD. Kane, president, Mail Advertising Service Association, New York City; and Ed F. Dinan, sales promotion manager, Fashion Frocks, Inc., Cincinnati, Ohio. Hearings will be continued on Monday.

EVERGLADES NATIONAL PARK

Committee on Public Lands: Voted to report H. R. 4029 to the House. This bill, as amended, would authorize the Secretary of the Interior to procure certain lands for the Everglades National Park, Fla.

VETERANS' PENSIONS

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Further considered H. R. 3821, to grant pensions to veterans of World War I, and received additional testimony from Omar B. Ketchum, national legislative representative, Veterans of Foreign Wars, and his assistant, John C. Williamson. Will resume hearings on Tuesday, April 12.

SOCIAL SECURITY

Committee on Ways and Means: Witnesses testifying at today's hearings on H. R. 2893, amending title II of the Social Security Act, relative to old-age and survivors insurance, were Dorrance C. Bronson, actuary, the Wyatt Co., Washington, D. C.; George Colonna, president, National Association of Men's Apparel Clubs, Hampton, Va.; Marshall Mantler, executive director, National Association of Women's and Children's Apparel Salesmen, Atlanta, Ga.; Keith Pickrell, president, Middle Atlantic Shoe Travelers Association, Wyomissing, Pa.; Cyrus H. Campen, director and past president, Carolina Men's Apparel Clubs, Goldsboro, N. C.; Monroe Michaels, secretary, Washington-Maryland Men's Apparel Clubs; and Andrew P. Federline, Washington counsel, Bureau of Salesmen's National Association, Washington, D. C. Hearings will be continued on Monday.

Joint Committee Meetings

D. C. RENT CONTROL

Conferees, on H. R. 1757, D. C. rent control, agreed to file a conference report after the conferees accepted the first five Senate amendments designed to bring D. C. rent control in line with national rent control. In the case of the sixth Senate amendment, the so-called fair-profit amendment, the Senate conferees receded, accepting the House position.

Saturday, April 9, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

House opened debate on ECA bill.

Senate

Chamber Action

The Senate was not in session today. Its next meeting will be on Monday, April 11, at 12 noon, when the calendar will be called for unobjected-to bills, followed by consideration of H. R. 2632, first deficiency appropriations for 1949.

Committee Meetings

ARMY CIVIL-FUNCTIONS APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee continued hearings on H. R. 3734, Army civil-functions appropriations for 1950, with Marshall V. Dieissen, Baltimore, testifying in support of funds for improvement of Baltimore Harbor; C. R. Little on funds for Ohio Valley flood control; Senators Margaret Smith and Brewster and outside witnesses on Cape Porpoise Harbor, Josias River, Biddeford Pool, and Wood Island projects; Senators Lodge, Flanders, and Aiken, Representative Heselton, and private citizens in behalf of themselves or associations of citizens on funds for Hoosic River Valley projects, Berkshire County, Mass.; and Senator Ives, Representatives Taylor and LeFevre, and others on appropriations for Hoosic Falls, Jones Inlet (Long Island), and on dredging Hudson River between Kingston and Ryanbak. Hearings continue Monday.

OLEO

Committee on Finance: Committee continued hearings on H. R. 2023, repeal of oleomargarine tax, with Senators Thye and Mundt, Representative Reid Murray, and Mr. Leopold, dairy farmer of Arpin, Wis., testifying in support of the Wiley substitute amendment for the House-passed version of H. R. 2023. Harold O. Smith, Jr., United States Wholesale Grocers Association; Jean Whitehall, Consumer's Union; and Robert McLaughlin, AMVETS, appeared in support of the House-passed version of the bill. Hearings continue Monday.

COLORADO RIVER

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: In connection with its hearings on S. J. Res. 4, granting congressional consent to joinder of the U. S. in suit in the U. S. Supreme Court for adjudication of claims to waters of the Colorado River system, and S. 75, to authorize construction, operation, and maintenance of dams on the Colorado River at Bridge Canyon, together with certain appurtenant dams and canals, the committee heard further testimony by Arvin B. Shaw, assistant attorney general of California, on division of Colorado River water.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Twelve public bills, H. R. 4146–4157, and eight private bills, H. R. 4158–4165, were introduced. Pages 4223–4224

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. R. 4146, National Military Establishment appropriation bill for 1950 (H. Rept. 417);

H. R. 2682, to amend the Commodity Credit Corporation Charter Act, the Strategic and Critical Materials Stock Piling Act, relative to the acquisition of storage facilities (H. Rept. 418);

H. R. 3932, to exempt artificial limbs from duty if imported for personal use and not for sale (H. Rept. 419); and

H. R. 3825, to amend the Federal Crop Insurance Act (H. Rept. 420). Page 4223

ECA: Held general debate on H. R. 3748, to amend the Economic Cooperation Act of 1948. Postponed further consideration of the bill until Monday's session.

The rule, H. Res. 169, making this legislation in order was previously adopted by a vote of 226 yeas to 8 nays. Pages 4188–4223

Committee Meetings

PAY BILL

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee No. 3 held another executive session to discuss H. R. 2553, the armed services pay bill. Will hold open hearing on this subject Monday.

CENTRAL ARIZONA PROJECT

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation heard Representative Engle of California speak in opposition to H. R. 934, a bill authorizing construction and maintenance of a dam and incidental works in the main stream of the Colorado River at Bridge Canyon. The next date for continuation of hearings on this proposed legislation will be fixed by the Chair.

Monday, April 11, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed 101 bills and worked on first deficiency appropriations.

House debated ECA.

Judiciary Committee reported Trading With the Enemy, Contract Settlement, and private bills.

Taft-Hartley repeal bill cleared for House action by Rules Committee.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 4225–4236

Bills Introduced: Fourteen bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 1546 to S. 1559; and S. Con. Res. 29. Pages 4228–4229, 4234–4235

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 729, to amend Trading With the Enemy Act to extend time for filing claims for return of any property or interest acquired by U. S. on or after December 18, 1941, with amendment (S. Rept. 242);

Private bills: S. Con. Res. 29, H. R. 668, 711, 1010, 1035, 1041, 1052, 1079, 1101, 1460, 1508, 1591, 1629, 1876, 1878, and 679 (S. Repts. 243–258 respectively); and

S. 528, to amend Contract Settlement Act of 1944 to authorize payment of fair compensation to persons contracting to deliver certain strategic or critical minerals or metals in case of failure to recover reasonable costs, with amendments (S. Rept. 259). Page 4228

Bill Referred: One House-passed bill was referred to appropriate committee. Page 4235

Veterans: Senate received supplemental estimate of appropriations for Veterans' Administration totaling $595,890,000. Pages 4225–4226

Fishery Compact: Senate asked for a conference on S. J. Res. 42, approving an interstate compact and creating the Gulf States Marine Fisheries Commission, and appointed as conferees Senators Johnson of Texas, O'Conor, and Brewster. Page 4236

Trading With Enemy: Senate passed with committee amendment S. 729, to amend Trading With the Enemy Act to extend time for filing claims for return of any property or interest acquired by U. S. on or after December 18, 1941. Page 4275

Calendar Bills Passed: On call of the calendar, 100 unobjected-to bills, of which 49 were private, were passed as follows:

Without amendment and cleared for President:

White House: H. R. 3856, to provide for a Commission on Renovation of the Executive Mansion;

Merchant marine: H. J. Res. 186, to extend the time for use of construction reserve funds established under section 511 of Merchant Marine Act, 1936;

Crippled children: H. J. Res. 212, to authorize the appropriation of an additional $1½ million to provide for meeting emergency needs for crippled children for fiscal year ending June 30, 1949;

Alaska game: H. R. 220, to revise the Alaska game law;

Florida land: H. R. 1998, to correct description of land in Pinellas County, Fla.;

Indians: H. R. 1755, to authorize a $100 per capita payment to members of Red Lake Band of Chippewa Indians from proceeds of timber sales; and

Private bills: 23 private bills: H. R. 555, 572, 576, 581, 591, 592, 618, 659, 729, 739, 745, 1036, 1043, 1061, 1066, 1959, 2708, 1094, 1164, 1176, 1280, 1286, and H. R. 1113.

With amendment, to be sent back to House:

Mount Hope Cemetery: H. R. 1401, disposition of certain lands to Mount Hope Cemetery Association of Michigan;

Alien fiancés: H. J. Res. 160, in re processing of visa cases for admission into U. S. of alien fiancés and fiancées of GI's;

Tort claims: H. R. 779, to increase the time for presenting claims to Federal agencies or prosecuting claims in U. S. district courts under Federal Tort Claims Act;

Guided missiles: H. R. 1741, to establish a long-range guided-missiles proving ground;

School: H. R. 164, conveying certain lands to Churntown Elementary School District, Calif.; and

Private bills: Six private bills: H. R. 1501, 594, 1169, 595, 1271, and 652.

Without amendment and cleared for House:

Forests: S. J. Res. 53, providing reforestation and revegetation for forest and range lands in national forests;

Hawaiian judges: S. 566, fixing salaries of Hawaiian judges;

Mail boxes: S. 1043, to place penalty for destruction of mail and letter boxes;

War claims: S. 326, extending time for filing under War Claims Act;

D. C. alimony: S. 1125, payment of temporary maintenance in D. C. alimony cases;

D. C. wills: S. 1127, notice to be given upon a petition for probate of a D. C. will;

D. C. civil procedure: S. 1129, nomenclature and practice prescribed by the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure;

D. C. wills: S. 1132, time within which caveat may be filed to a D. C. will;

D. C. annulments: S. 1133, attorney appointed to defend uncontested D. C. annulments;

Shipping: S. J. Res. 32, to authorize cancellation of agreement between port of Seattle and U. S. regarding shipping facilities;

Panama Railroad: S. 1168, tort claims against Panama Railroad;

Panama Code: S. 1136, to amend the Panama Canal Zone Code regarding powers of the Governor;

Panama estates: S. 1137, to revise and codify laws of the Panama Canal Zone regarding the administration of estates;

Aviation units: S. 1270, regarding enlisted personnel employed in aviation tactical units of the armed services;

Alaskan courts: S. 70, relative to court procedure in Alaska;

Virgin Islands: S. 493, to extend the benefits of the Vocational Education Act of 1946 to the Virgin Islands; and

Private bills: Twelve private bills: S. Con. Res. 23, S. 392, S. Con. Res. 28, S. 146, 147, 227, 683, 948, 646, 647, 676, S. Con. Res. 27, and S. Con. Res. 25.

With amendment and cleared for House:

ICC: S. 257, to amend the Interstate Commerce Act so as to set up a statute of limitations on the time within which actions may be brought up for the recovery of overcharges and undercharges by or against motor carriers, freight forwarders, and water carriers;

Disability benefits: S. 213, to provide benefits for members of Reserve components of the armed forces who suffer disability or death from injuries incurred while engaged in active-duty training for periods less than 30 days or while engaged in inactive-duty training;

Remount Service: S. 969, to transfer the Pomona, Calif., station of the Agriculture Remount Service;

Cryptography: S. 277, to prevent disclosures of information concerning the cryptographic systems and the communication intelligence activities of the U. S.;

Alaska housing: S. 851, to promote construction of housing in Alaska;

Nonresidents of D. C.: S. 1123, service of process on nonresidents of D. C.;

D. C. funeral expenses: S. 1130, increase sum allowable for funeral expenses in D. C. from $600 to $1,000;

D. C. estates: S. 1131, settlement of D. C. decedents' estates at election of personal representative;

D. C. annulments: S. 1134, publication of D. C. annulment actions;

D. C. estates: S. 1135, family allowance and simplified procedure in settlement of small D. C. estates;

Veterans' Canteen: S. 1185, providing that all employes of the Veterans' Canteen Service shall be paid from funds of the Service;

Witness fees: S. 635, to increase witness fees;

Juror fees: S. 1042, relating to payment of fees, expenses, and costs of jurors;

Air Force: S. 796, to establish the grade of General of the Air Force;

Philippine Scouts: S. 1181, appointment of officers of the Philippine Scouts in the Regular Army;

Ohio bridge: S. 755, relative to construction of a bridge over the Ohio River at Shawneetown, Ill.;

Insane: S. 936, to establish procedure for care and custody of insane persons convicted of Federal offenses;

Trenton Dam: S. 270, to change the name of Culbertson Dam on Republican River in Nebraska to Trenton Dam;

D. C. children: S. 1122, relative to D. C. children born out of wedlock;

Reclamation: S. 690, to authorize the furnishing of water to the Yuma auxiliary project, Arizona, through the works of the Gila project, Arizona; and

Private bills: Seven private bills: S. 716, 189, S. J. Res. 18, S. 42, 408, and 576, S. Con. Res. 24.

Simple resolutions passed:

Committee personnel: S. Res. 78, providing $5,000 for the Committee on Post Office and Civil Service for the hiring of additional temporary personnel;

Persecution protests: S. Res. 102, favoring protests in UN of persecution of certain clergymen in Hungary, Yugoslavia, and Bulgaria;

Crop production: S. Res. 36, authorizing investigation of matters relating to crop production and utilization; and

Air lines: S. Res. 50, to investigate the financial and other conditions of the air-line industry. Pages 4236–4275

First Deficiency Appropriations: Senate began consideration of H. R. 2632, first deficiency appropriations for 1949, adopting all committee amendments with the following exceptions: Rejected (at request of Senator McKellar) item on funds for Office of Housing Expediter; and adopted four amendments by Senators Langer and Watkins providing for additional funds for Indians, and three amendments by Senator Robertson on wages for Bonneville Power Transmission System. The committee amendment to strike out language to repeal a proviso barring use of Federal Public Housing Authority funds for payment to any public housing agency of certain contributions was adopted by 49 yeas to 33 nays. The pending question at recess was the Bridges amendment respecting funds for New Johnsonville steam plant, TVA. Pages 4275–4292

Nominations: Two civilian and forty-eight Regular Army nominations were received. Page 4292

Committee Meetings

ARMY CIVIL-FUNCTIONS APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee continued hearings on H. R. 3734, Army civil-functions appropriations for 1950, receiving testimony from Senator Long and Representative Brooks, and representatives of the Red River Valley Association on projects in the Red River Valley in Texas, Oklahoma, Arkansas, and Louisiana; Senator Reed, Col. Roy Burdick, Army engineers, Willard Briedenthal, and L. P. Cookingham and others on Kansas City flood walls on the Missouri River; and Col. Gee, Army engineers, N. R. Graham, and R. G. Jeffrey on Arkansas River Basin projects. Hearings continue tomorrow.

NATIONAL SECURITY ACT—DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Committee on Armed Services: Committee continued its hearings on S. 1269, to convert the National Military Establishment into an executive department to be known as the Department of Defense, and to establish the responsibility and authority of the Secretary of Defense (National Security Act amendments of 1949), with ex-President Hoover and ex-Secretary of War Robert P. Patterson expressing their views on the proposed legislation. Hearings continue tomorrow.

OLEO

Committee on Finance: Continuing hearings on H. R. 2023, repeal of oleomargarine tax, the committee heard the following witnesses testify in support of the Wiley amendment in the nature of a substitute for the bill instead of the House-passed version: Charles W. Holman, National Cooperative Milk Producers Federation; Russell Fifer, American Butter Institute and National Creamery Association; Glen M. Householder, Pure Bred Cattle Association, American Jersey Cattle Club, American Guernsey Cattle Club, Brown Swiss Cattle Breeders Association, and Holstein-Friesian Association of America; J. D. Sanders, National Grange; and Melvin H. Brightman, Dairy Industry Committee. Hearings continue tomorrow.

COLORADO RIVER

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Committee continued hearings on S. 75, to authorize construction, operation, and maintenance of dams on the Colorado River at Bridge Canyon, together with certain appurtenant dams and canals, and S. J. Res. 4, granting congressional consent to joinder of the U. S. in suit in the U. S. Supreme Court for adjudication of claims to water of the Colorado River system, with Raymond Matthew, chief engineer, Colorado River Board of California, testifying in opposition to S. 75. Hearings continue Tuesday.

AIR-LINE INDUSTRY

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: In pursuance of S. Res. 50, to authorize study and investigation of the financial conditions and operating efficiency of the air-line industry, committee opened hearings receiving testimony by CAB Chairman Joseph J. O'Connell, Jr., on the general aspects of the problem. Hearings continue Tuesday.

TRADING WITH THE ENEMY, CONTRACT SETTLEMENT, AND PRIVATE BILLS

Committee on the Judiciary: In executive session, the committee voted to report with amendment S. 528, to amend Contract Settlement Act of 1944 to authorize payment of fair compensation to persons contracting to deliver certain strategic or critical minerals or metals in case of failure to recover reasonable costs, and S. 729, to amend Trading With the Enemy Act to extend time for filing claims for return of any property or interest acquired by U. S. on or after December 18, 1941.

Committee also voted to report a number of private bills: with amendment, H. R. 679, and, without amendment, H. R. 668, 711, 1010, 1035, 1041, 1052, 1079, 1101, 1460, 1508, 1591, 1629, 1876, and 1878. It also agreed to introduce and report an original concurrent resolution on deportation referral cases.

MINIMUM WAGE—FAIR-LABOR STANDARDS

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee opened hearings on S. 653, and related bills, to amend

the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938, extending its scope and increasing the minimum wage to 75 cents per hour, with the following witnesses giving testimony to endorse enactment of S. 653: Secretary of Labor Tobin; Administrator W. R. McComb, Wage and Hour and Public Contracts Division; and Under Secretary of Agriculture Albert J. Loveland. Hearings continue Tuesday.

POSTAL RATES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Subcommittee continued hearings on S. 1103, to readjust postal rates, receiving testimony from the following opposition witnesses: John Thomas Taylor, director, and J. F. Barton, manager, American Legion; James Brackett, general manager, Printing Industry, Washington; Benjamin Bogin, Conde Nast Publications, Greenwich, Conn.; Don M. Hastings, Hastings Seed Co., Atlanta; William Heckendorn, American Seed Trade Association, Chicago; John Fieseler, president, Peter Henderson & Co., New York; and L. B. Whitehouse, Morton Manufacturing Co., Lynchburg, Va. Hearings continue Wednesday.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Eighteen public bills, H. R. 4166–4183; six private bills, H. R. 4184–4189; and two resolutions, H. J. Res. 219 and 220, were introduced.

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Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. R. 91, to provide for a research and development program in the Post Office Department (H. Rept. 421);

H. R. 3436, to amend Lucas Act by redefining request for relief so as to correct an injustice to certain World War II contractors (H. Rept. 422);

H. R. 3196, to authorize appropriations for roads, trails, and other aids to transportation serving lands and facilities in Alaska under jurisdiction of Bureau of Indian Affairs (H. Rept. 423);

H. R. 3111, to amend an act entitled "An act to establish a uniform system of bankruptcy throughout the United States," approved July 1, 1898 (H. Rept. 424); and

H. R. 4177, independent offices appropriation bill for 1950 (H. Rept. 425). Page 4347

Artificial Limbs: After adopting a clarifying committee amendment, passed H. R. 3932, to exempt artificial limbs and braces from import duty when imported for personal use and not for sale. Pages 4292–4293

ECA: The House today continued its consideration of H. R. 3748, to amend the Economic Cooperation Act of 1948. This measure calls for an appropriation of $5,380,000,000 to continue the European recovery program through the next 15 months. The House, in Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union, rejected numerous amendments and adopted one offered by Mr. Patman, designed to guarantee to small business a fair and substantial share of the production and business resulting from ECA procurement. Further consideration of the bill was postponed until Tuesday. Pages 4296–4346

Committee Meetings

FARM PROGRAM

Committee on Agriculture: Secretary of Agriculture Charles F. Brannan was questioned by the committee relative to his recommendations in connection with the national farm program. He stated that he had not recommended the repeal of any part of the present program and was not asking for any additional authority that is not now given in the present law, except with respect to the establishment of the standard of support with reference to income criteria rather than price criteria. He further said that he had not recommended the support of unlimited production of any particular commodity. The Secretary was requested to present at some later date an estimate of costs of the present program and the cost of the program under his recommendations. He will continue with his testimony at tomorrow morning's meeting.

SURPLUS PROPERTY—PAY BILL—WIND TUNNEL

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee No. 1 held hearings on H. R. 3238, authorizing Federal agencies to donate surplus property for educational purposes. Speaking on this subject were Representative Holifield, James L. Reid, cochairman of legislative committee of National Committee of State Education Agencies for Surplus Property; and William H. Moore, and Dr. Edgar Fuller, representing State educational associations. No action was taken on the bill.

Subcommittee No. 2 heard departmental witnesses at the hearings on H. R. 2553, armed services pay bill. Will continue on this subject tomorrow.

Subcommittee No. 3 began hearings on H. R. 3434, authorizing construction of transsonic and supersonic wind-tunnel facilities and establishment of an air engineering development center. The following witnesses testified: Dr. Francis Reichelderfer, vice chairman, and Dr. Hugh L. Dryden, both of the National Advisory

Committee for Aeronautics; W. Stuart Symington, Secretary of the Air Force; Dr. Douglas Cornell, Research and Development Board; Capt. Walter S. Diehl, USN, Office of Department Chief of Naval Operations for Air; Lt. Col. W. W. Vaughan, Logistics Division, Department of Army; and Brig. Gen. Donald L. Putt, Director, Research and Development Board. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

PUBLIC HOUSING

Committee on Banking and Currency: At the public hearings on H. R. 4009, and other housing bills, Raymond M. Foley, Housing and Home Finance Administrator, and John T. Egan, Public Housing Commissioner, returned for further questioning by the committee. Bertram E. Giesecke, chairman, national housing committee, American Legion, testified in support of the bill but urged some minor amendments. Jack Carter, national housing officer, Veterans of Foreign Wars, testified in favor of the general provisions of the bill and urged the construction of 100,000 public housing units annually for 5 years with the provision that all such public housing be made available for sale to veterans or veterans' nonprofit cooperatives not more than 10 years after completion. He further urged that eligible veterans and veterans' families have rental priority on public housing units. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

FEDERAL EMPLOYEES' COMPENSATION

Committee on Education and Labor: The Kelley subcommittee opened hearings on H. R. 3191, providing compensation for Federal employees and civilian officers suffering injuries while in the performance of their duties. Today's witnesses were Representative Keating; J. Donald Kingsley, acting Federal Security Administrator; and G. Lyle Belsley, Commissioner, Special Services, FSA. These last two mentioned witnesses will continue testifying tomorrow along with other spokesmen for the FSA.

ACCOUNTS

Committee on House Administration: The scheduled meeting of the Subcommittee on Accounts was postponed until Wednesday at 9:30 a. m. The regular meeting of the full committee will follow at 10 a. m. the same morning.

BASEBALL CONTRACTS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Announced postponement of hearings on H. R. 4018 and 4019, regarding the reserve clause of baseball contracts. Consideration will be at some later date.

IMMIGRATION—ADMIRALTY

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 1 agreed to report five private immigration bills favorably to the full committee; one will be reported adversely.

Subcommittee No. 2 heard Leavenworth Colby, Admiralty Section, Department of Justice, and Paul Page, Jr., Solicitor, U. S. Maritime Commission, on H. R. 483, as amended (H. R. 4051), to amend the Suits in Admiralty Act. Hearings to continue at some future date.

POSTAL RATES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Witnesses testifying at today's hearings on H. R. 2945, to increase certain postal rates, were Paul W. Brown, assistant to the president, Sears, Roebuck & Co., Chicago, Ill.; Don Hastings, owner of Hastings Seed Co., Atlanta, Ga.; L. B. Whitehouse, vice president, Morton Manufacturing Corp., Lynchburg, Va.; and William Heckendorn, executive secretary, and John A. Fiesler, chairman of the postal laws committee, both of the American Seed Trade Association, Chicago, Ill. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

LANDS AND MINING BILLS

Committee on Public Lands: Ordered the following bills reported to the House:

H. R. 1754, providing for suspension of annual assessment work on mining claims held by location in the United States, amended;

H. R. 2702, private land bill;

H. R. 3196, authorizing appropriations for roads, trails, etc., serving lands under jurisdiction of Bureau of Indian Affairs in Alaska; and

H. R. 3576, to repeal certain obsolete laws and parts of laws relating to sale of public lands.

BALTIMORE-WASHINGTON PARKWAY

Committee on Public Works: Opened hearings on H. R. 2214, providing for the development and maintenance of the Baltimore-Washington Parkway, and the Suitland Parkway in Maryland, as extensions of the D. C. park system. Representative Sasscer; Maj. Gen. U. S. Grant 3d, Chairman, and Thomas S. Settle, secretary, both of the National Capital Park and Planning Commission; Thomas H. MacDonald, Commissioner, Public Roads Administration; E. A. Schmitt, head engineer, Corps of Engineers; Tom Peyton, WAA; and A. E. Demaray, acting Executive Officer, National Park Service, testified in connection with the proposed parkway legislation. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

TAFT-HARTLEY REPEAL—VIRGIN ISLANDS—ECONOMIC PROBLEMS

Committee on Rules: Granted an open rule, providing for 8 hours of general debate, on H. R. 2032, to repeal the Taft-Hartley labor law.

Also granted an open rule, providing for 2 hours of general debate, on H. R. 2989, to incorporate the Virgin Islands Corporation; and an open rule on H. Con. Res. 54, providing for 1 hour's general debate, authorizing

Joint Committee on the Economic Report to investigate certain economic problems. Speaking on the Virgin Islands legislation were Representative Crawford and Governor Hastie, of the Virgin Islands. Representative Hart testified on the economic-problems investigation bill.

Committee also considered, but took no action on, a rule for H. R. 195, to assist States in collecting sales and use taxes on cigarettes; and H. Res. 19, creating a Select Committee on the Revision of the Laws. Representatives Jenkins and Short testified on the cigarette-tax bill; while Representatives Walter, Keogh, and Celler spoke on the laws-revision resolution.

SOCIAL SECURITY

Committee on Ways and Means: Continued hearings on H. R. 2893, amending title II of the Social Security Act, relative to old-age and survivors insurance. Witnesses heard today were John B. St. John, representing the U. S. Chamber of Commerce; Miss Lula Dunn, commissioner of public welfare, Alabama; Carl H. Chatters, executive director, American Municipal Association, Chicago, Ill.; Leroy F. Harlow, city manager, Fargo, N. Dak.; W. B. Hopkins, city clerk, treasurer, tax collector, and fire chief, Zebulon, N. C.; Thomas J. Patten, director of personnel, Kansas City, Mo.; and R. Elliot Scearce, personnel director, St. Louis, Mo. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

Tuesday, April 12, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate worked on TVA steam-plant amendment to first deficiency appropriation bill.

House passed ECA bill, and debated Military Establishment appropriation bill.

Senate

Chamber Action

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Bills Introduced: Thirteen bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 1560 to S. 1572; and S. J. Res. 76. Pages 4353–4354

Bill Reported: A report was made as follows: H. R. 3704, to provide additional revenue for the D. C. by levying a tax on gross sales and increasing rates on various existing taxes, with amendments (S. Rept. 260). Page 4353

Bill Referred: One House-passed bill was referred to appropriate committee. Page 4353

North Atlantic Pact: Copies of the North Atlantic Treaty, together with report of Secretary of State, were received from the President with his request for ratification (Exec. L), and referred to Committee on Foreign Relations.

A pamphlet containing documentary background information on the North Atlantic Pact was ordered printed as a Senate document. Page 4354

First Deficiency Appropriations: Senate continued on H. R. 2632, first deficiency appropriations for 1949 with Bridges amendment respecting funds for New Johnsonville steam plant, TVA, remaining the pending question. Pages 4356–4386

ECA: Senate agreed to conference asked by House on S. 1209, to amend the Economic Cooperation Act of 1948, and Senators Connally, George, Thomas of Utah, Vandenberg, and Wiley were appointed as conferees. Page 4387

Nominations: Two hundred and fifty-one Navy and two hundred and ninety-four civilian nominations were received. Pages 4387–4389

Committee Meetings

LABOR-FSA APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Full committee met in executive session to consider for reporting H. R. 3333, Labor-FSA appropriations for 1950, and reached agreement on most of the items of the bill, but made no announcement of action taken. Not having completed, the committee adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

ARMY CIVIL-FUNCTIONS APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee continued hearings on H. R. 3734, Army civil-functions appropriations for 1950, receiving testimony from Representatives Stigler and Albert on Oklahoma projects; former Representative Terry and others on Arkansas Basin; and Senator Knowland, Representatives Johnson of California and McDonough and a delegation from California numbering over 20 on funds for Federal

flood-control projects in California. Hearings continue tomorrow.

NATIONAL SECURITY ACT—DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Committee on Armed Services: In executive session, the committee heard Secretary of War Royall and Assistant Secretary of Navy for Air Kimball testify generally in support of S. 1269, to convert the National Military Establishment into an executive department to be known as the Department of Defense, and to establish the responsibility and authority of the Secretary of Defense (National Security Act amendments of 1949). Committee meets tomorrow to consider nominations.

OLEO

Committee on Finance: Committee continued hearings on H. R. 2023, repeal of oleomargarine tax, with the following witnesses testifying in support of the House-passed version of the bill: H. L. Wingate, Georgia Farm Bureau Federation; John L. Slaughter, Girdler Corp.; Merritt Nash, Washington State; Mrs. O. S. Gibbs, Tennessee Federation of Women's Clubs; Mrs. Kathryn H. Stone, League of Women Voters of U. S.; George M. Strayer, American Soybean Association; C. M. Gregory, Farmers Cooperative Co.; David G. Wing; Ward Calland, Soy Bean Crop Improvement Council; Tyre Taylor, National Association of Retail Grocers; Margaret S. Manger, American Home Economics Association; Mrs. Gertrude Parks, D. C. Federation of Women's Clubs; Mrs. William G. Stuart, Settlement Houses of D. C. Area; Mrs. Albert C. Seawell, National Association of Consumers; Miss Catherine M. Carter; Mrs. Sarah Eigen, American Association of University Women; Miss Mary A. Streator, A. I. & S. F. Hospital Association, Topeka; C. P. Key, South Carolina Grange; John Maloney, National Cottonseed Products Association; Albert Russell, National Cotton Council; and Paul T. Truitt, National Association of Margarine Manufacturers.

NORTH ATLANTIC PACT

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee met in executive session and discussed procedure and arrangements for forthcoming hearings on the North Atlantic Pact. While no definite decisions were reached, the chairman stated that hearings would probably begin during the week of April 25. It is expected that the committee will meet with Secretary of State Acheson within the next few days; he will discuss the German situation.

COLORADO RIVER

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Raymond Matthew, chief engineer, Colorado River Board of California, continued his testimony in opposition to S. 75, in connection with hearings before the committee on S. 75, to authorize construction, operation, and maintenance of dams on the Colorado River at Bridge Canyon, together with certain appurtenant dams and canals, and S. J. Res. 4, granting congressional consent to joinder of the U. S. in suit in the U. S. Supreme Court for adjudication of claims to water of the Colorado River system. Hearings continue tomorrow.

AIR-LINE INDUSTRY

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Committee, continuing its hearings in connection with S. Res. 50, to authorize study and investigation of the financial conditions and operating efficiency of the air-line industry, received further testimony by CAB Chairman Joseph J. O'Connell, Jr. He will continue his statement tomorrow.

MINIMUM WAGE—FAIR LABOR STANDARDS

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Continuing hearings on S. 653 (and related bills), the committee received testimony generally endorsing the proposed legislation from Walter J. Mason, AFL, and Solomon Barkin, CIO. Carl B. Jansen, U. S. Chamber of Commerce, appeared in opposition to the proposed legislation; and Clarence Mitchell, NAACP, favored the bill but urged that it be amended to include certain agricultural and seasonal workers. Hearings continue tomorrow.

MAIL CONTRACTS, CIVIL-SERVICE RETIREMENT, AND NOMINATIONS

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: In executive session, the committee voted to report to the Senate five bills, as follows: with amendment, S. Res. 34, to authorize the Committee on Post Office and Civil Service to investigate contracts with railroads for carrying U. S. mails, and S. 1359, to extend benefits of the Civil Service Retirement Act to officers and employees of Alaska and the Panama Canal; and, without amendment, S. 988, to extend benefits of Civil Service Retirement Act to certain employees involuntarily separated between July 1, 1945, and July 1, 1947; S. 1023, to amend the Civil Service Retirement Act so as to grant credit for service for which no deductions from salary are made; and S. 1229, to enable certain former employees of the U. S. to elect return of civil-service retirement contributions plus interest in lieu of annuities.

It also voted to report favorably the nomination of John W. Askew to be Comptroller in the Post Office Department, along with 81 miscellaneous postmasterships.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Twenty-eight public bills, H. R. 4190–4217; seven private bills, H. R. 4218–4224; and four resolutions, H. J. Res. 221–224, were introduced.

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Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. Con. Res. 54, to direct an investigation of certain economic problems by the Joint Committee on the Economic Report (H. Rept. 426);

H. R. 162, to provide basic authority for certain functions and activities of the Department of Commerce (H. Rept. 427);

H. R. 4029, relative to the enlargement of the Everglades National Park, Fla. (H. Rept. 428);

H. R. 781, to amend the Civil Aeronautics Act of 1938, relative to purchase and transfer of supplies and materials necessary for the proper execution of functions in Alaska (H. Rept. 429);

H. R. 3198, to amend the act of June 18, 1929 (H. Rept. 430);

H. J. Res. 222, making an additional appropriation for the Veterans' Administration for fiscal year 1949 (H. Rept. 431); and

H. R. 1837, to amend the Nationality Act of 1940 by correcting a typographical error (H. Rept. 432).

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Alaska Housing: Passed S. 851, to promote construction of housing in Alaska, thus completing congressional action on this bill. A similar House bill, H. R. 3615, was tabled. Pages 4391–4392

Commercial Fishing: Insisted on its amendment to S. J. Res. 42, to grant the consent and approval of Congress to an interstate compact relating to the better utilization of the fisheries of the Gulf coast and creating the Gulf States Marine Fisheries Commission; agreed to a conference requested by the Senate; and appointed Representatives Bland, Thompson, Wickersham, Weichel, and Tollefson as conferees. Page 4392

ECA: After rejecting a motion to recommit the bill, the House voted, 354 yeas to 48 nays, to pass H. R. 3748, to amend the Economic Cooperation Act of 1948. With the exception of the Patman amendment, to guarantee to small business a fair and substantial share of the production and business resulting from ECA procurement, the provisions of the measure are as reported from the Committee on Foreign Affairs. This bill calls for an appropriation of $5,380,000,000 to continue the European recovery program until June 1950. By unanimous consent, S. 1209, the Senate-passed bill, amending the Economic Cooperation Act of 1948, was taken from the Speaker's table and amended by striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting the provisions of H. R. 3748, as passed; and the House then vacated the proceedings of the passage of H. R. 3748. Following this, the House insisted on its amendment to S. 1209, requested a conference with the Senate, and appointed Representatives Kee, Richards, Joseph L. Pfeifer, Eaton, and Vorys as conferees. Pages 4394–4426

Guided Missiles: Disagreed to Senate amendment to H. R. 1741, to establish a long-range guided-missiles proving ground, requested a conference with the Senate, and appointed Representatives Brooks, Rivers, Philbin, Cole of New York, and Anderson of California as conferees on the part of the House. Page 4426

Military Establishment Appropriation: House began general debate on H. R. 4146, the National Military Establishment appropriation bill for 1950. This bill carries a cash appropriation of $13,269,115,800 for the functions of the Secretary of Defense, Department of the Army, Department of the Navy, Department of the Air Force, the National Guard, the Organized Reserves, and other civilian components. This amount is $53,497,800 above the budget requests. Further consideration and 2 hours of general debate on this measure are scheduled for Wednesday. Pages 4427–4443

Senate Bills Referred: Fifty-three Senate-passed bills, passed on April 11, were referred to appropriate committees. Pages 4443–4444

Committee Meetings

FARM PROGRAM

Committee on Agriculture: Charles F. Brannan, Secretary of Agriculture, was questioned further by members of the committee concerning his farm-program recommendations made at last Thursday's hearings before the joint meeting of the Senate and House Committees on Agriculture. Particular attention was given to his recommendations regarding price supports. The next meeting on this subject will be held after the Easter recess.

AIR FORCE—INQUIRY—PAY BILL

Committee on Armed Services: Ordered reported to the House, S. 796, to establish the grade of General of the Air Force. Also appointed the conferees on H. R. 1741, guided-missiles bill (see House Chamber today), and appointed a special subcommittee to conduct an inquiry on post exchanges, quartermaster sales stores, ships service stores, commissaries, and other pertinent or related matters within the armed forces.

Subcommittee No. 2 continued hearings in connection with H. R. 2553, the armed services pay bill.

PUBLIC HOUSING

Committee on Banking and Currency: Held further hearings on H. R. 4009, National Housing Act of 1949. Edward Weinfeld, president, National Public Housing Conference, testified in support of the bill. Among other things he urged the elimination of the provision calling for a gap of at least 20 percent between the upper rental limits for admission to a proposed public low-rent project and the lowest rents at which private enterprise is providing a substantial supply of housing; that any dollar-and-cent limitation be removed from the bill; and that the proposal contained in section 502, to amend the National Banking Act, be taken up in separate legislation. Hearings will be resumed at the call of the Chair.

FEDERAL EMPLOYEES' COMPENSATION

Committee on Education and Labor: The Kelley subcommittee held further hearings on H. R. 3191, providing compensation for Federal employees and civilian officers suffering injuries while in the performance of their duties. Testifying today were the following FSA officials: J. Donald Kingsley, Acting Administrator; G. Lyle Belsley, Commissioner for Special Services; William McCauley, Director, and Ward E. Boote, Chief Counsel, both of Bureau of Employees' Compensation. Also heard were Neal A. Sibley, postmaster at Baltimore, Md.; Jerome J. Keating, secretary, National Association of Letter Carriers; Jesse V. Horton, legislative representative, National Association of Postal Supervisors; Thomas G. Walters, operations director, Government Employees' Council, AFL; J. G. Yaden, national president, American Federation of Government Employees; and L. F. X. Cowen, Hyattsville, Md. Hearings will be resumed at the call of the Chair.

FEDERAL PROPERTY DISPOSAL

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Former Representative Carter Manasco, member of the Commission on Organization of the Executive Branch of the Government, appeared at today's hearings on H. R. 2781, to reorganize and simplify the disposal of Government property. These hearings are being conducted by the Subcommittee on Legislative Reorganization, and will be continued tomorrow.

FOOD AND DRUG ACT

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Opened hearings on bills amending the Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (H. R. 3151, 562, and 160). Representative Van Zandt testified on H. R. 562, regarding the labeling of goods for export; and Paul B. Dunbar, Chairman, Food and Drug Administration, also spoke on H. R. 562 and H. R. 3151, providing for certification of batches of certain drugs. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

POSTAL RATES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: The following witnesses testified at today's hearings on H. R. 2945, to readjust postal rates: Robert Stone, National Research Bureau, Inc., Chicago, Ill.; James R. Brackett, general manager, Printing Industry of America, Washington, D. C.; Paul C. Stark, vice president, Stark Brothers Nurseries, Louisiana, Mo. The next meeting for continuation of these hearings has been scheduled tentatively for April 27.

LANDS—HOMESTEADS—WATER POWER

Committee on Public Lands: Ordered the following bills reported to the House:

H. R. 1920, to amend the Columbia Basin Project Act with reference to State lands;

H. R. 2753, to amend the act of April 28, 1904, relating to additional homestead entries; and

H. R. 4154, authorizing investigation by Bureau of Reclamation to provide for fullest utilization of the Nation's water resources.

BALTIMORE-WASHINGTON PARKWAY

Committee on Public Works: Continued public hearings on H. R. 2214, providing for the development and maintenance of the Baltimore-Washington Parkway, and the Suitland Parkway in Maryland, as extensions of the D. C. park system. Testifying on this bill were A. E. Demaray, Associate Director, National Park Service; Maj. Gen. U. S. Grant III, Chairman, and Thomas S. Settle, Secretary, both of National Capital Park and Planning Commission; Col. D. S. Roysdon, Assistant Chief of Staff, G–4, and Capt. E. R. Lampert, assistant engineer, both of Military District of Washington; Maj. C. B. Schmeltzer, Logistics General Staff of U. S. Army; and Tom Peyton, War Assets Administration.

VETERANS' PENSIONS

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Omar B. Ketchum, legislative representative of the VFW, continued his testimony on H. R. 3821, to grant pensions to veterans of World War I. A brief executive session was held, at which time it was agreed that the committee would meet at 9:30 a. m., April 13, to complete questioning of Mr. Ketchum and to receive further testimony from Guy H. Birdsall, Assistant Administrator for Legislation, Veterans' Administration. It was also agreed that representatives of the Bureau of the Budget and Social Security Administration would be called to testify on the bill.

SOCIAL SECURITY

Committee on Ways and Means: Held further hearings on H. R. 2893, amending title II of the Social Security Act, relative to old-age and survivors insurance. The following witnesses were heard: James W. Haley, secretary and general counsel, and L. H. Parker, tax consultant, both representing the National Coal

Association. Mrs. Katherine Ellickson, assistant director of research, CIO, read CIO President Philip Murray's statement. She was followed by Solomon Barkin, research director, Textile Workers Union of America, CIO, and Harry Kranz, legislative director, New Jersey CIO Industrial Union Council. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

Joint Committee Meetings

COMMEMORATIVE STAMPS

Joint Meeting: Subcommittees of the House and Senate Committees on Post Office and Civil Service met in executive session to work out a policy on commemorative stamps in line with the Postmaster General's suggestions.

Wednesday, April 13, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed first deficiency appropriation bill.
House passed Military Establishment appropriation bill.
Veterans' appropriation bill reported to Senate.
Various land, mining, farm, and forestry bills approved by House groups.
Conferees filed report on ECA.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 4446–4456

Bills Introduced: Six bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 1573 to S. 1578; and S. J. Res. 77. Pages 4447–4448

Bill Reported: A report was made as follows: H. J. Res. 222, making additional appropriations totaling $595,890,000 for the VA for the fiscal year 1949 (S. Rept. 261). Pages 4490–4491

Bills Referred: Two House-passed bills were referred to appropriate committee. Page 4471

President's Message: Senate received message from President recommending establishment of Columbia Valley Administration to develop and preserve the natural resources of the Pacific Northwest. It will be referred to Committee at a later date. Pages 4469–4471

Guided Missiles: Senate agreed to conference requested by House on H. R. 1741, to establish a long-range guided-missiles proving ground, and Senators Tydings, Byrd, Chapman, Gurney, and Saltonstall were appointed as conferees. Page 4455

First Deficiency Appropriations: Senate passed by voice vote H. R. 2632, first deficiency appropriations for 1949, after taking the following action on amendments:

Rejected by 30 yeas to 55 nays, Bridges amendment to eliminate funds for New Johnsonville steam plant, TVA.

A point of order having been made and sustained against Ferguson amendment authorizing taxpayer or consumer to test constitutionality of construction of any steam plant by TVA, Senator Ferguson then made motion to suspend rules so as to propose his amendment, which was rejected by 38 yeas to 45 nays.

Senate asked for a conference on the bill and appointed as conferees Senators McKellar, Hayden, Russell, Bridges, and Gurney. Pages 4456–4469, 4471–4488

D. C. Rent Control: Senate adopted by 40 yeas to 23 nays, conference report on H. R. 1757, extension of D. C. rent control. Pages 4488–44490

Housing: Senate made its unfinished business S. 1070, to establish a national housing policy. Page 4490

Confirmations: The nominations of Stephen T. Early to be Under Secretary of Defense, and Thomas C. Blaisdell, Jr., to be Assistant Secretary of Commerce, were confirmed, along with numerous routine nominations in the Army, Navy, and Air Force, and 81 nominations in the Post Office Department, including postmasters. Pages 4491–4492

Nominations: Three Coast Guard nominations were received. Page 4491

Committee Meetings

AGRICULTURE APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee opened hearings on H. R. 3997, Agriculture appropriations for 1950, with Secretary of Agriculture Brannan making a statement on proposed appropriations for the Department, including a summary of his proposed program to stabilize farm income. Hearings continue tomorrow.

APPROPRIATIONS—VETERANS

Committee on Appropriations: In executive session, the committee voted to report, as passed by the House, H. J. Res. 222, making additional appropriations totaling $595,890,000 for the Veterans' Administration for the fiscal year 1949.

ARMY CIVIL-FUNCTIONS APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee continued hearings on H. R. 3734, Army civil-functions appropriations for 1950, receiving testimony from three witnesses on California river and harbor projects; from Senators Wiley and McCarthy, and Representative O'Konski on Wisconsin river and harbor projects; and Senators Butler, Wherry, Langer, and Young, and Representatives Lemke and Burdick, and delegates from South Dakota, Iowa, Nebraska, and North Dakota on various projects in the Missouri Valley Basin. Hearings continue tomorrow.

UNDER SECRETARY OF DEFENSE—NOMINATIONS

Committee on Armed Services: The committee reported favorably 1,202 military nominations, including that of Stephen T. Early to be Under Secretary of Defense.

TIN CONCENTRATES—RFC

Committee on Banking and Currency: Subcommittee concluded hearings on S. 1433, to allow the RFC to sell low-grade tin concentrates to private industry at no greater loss than it would cost the RFC to process it, after receiving testimony by Secretary of Commerce Sawyer, and A. C. Buttfield, president, Vulcan Detinning Co., Sewaren, N. J., in support of the bill; Wiley F. McKinnon, RFC, said he had no objections to the bill if it were permissive for the RFC to stop selling concentrates of less than 25 percent to private companies.

OLEO

Committee on Finance: Committee concluded hearings on H. R. 2023, repeal of oleomargarine tax, after hearing Senators Wiley, Young, Cordon, and McCarthy; Representatives Corbett and Andresen; August Burnier, Dairy Employees Union; and Gene Hubbard, International Conference of Dairy Employees, testify in support of the Wiley amendment in the nature of a substitute for the House-passed version of the bill.

Representative Poage, and Mrs. Margaret Stone, National Womens Trade Union, testified in support of the House-passed version of the bill.

COLORADO RIVER

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: William S. Peterson, assistant chief electrical engineer, Department of Water and Power, City of Los Angeles, appeared before the committee to testify in support of S. J. Res. 4 and against S. 75 in connection with its hearings on these two bills: S. J. Res. 4, granting congressional consent to joinder of the U. S. in suit in the U. S. Supreme Court for adjudication of claims to water of the Colorado River system, and S. 75, to authorize construction, operation, and maintenance of dams on the Colorado River at Bridge Canyon, together with certain appurtenant dams and canals. Hearings continue tomorrow.

AIR-LINE INDUSTRY

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: CAB Chairman Joseph J. O'Connell, Jr., concluded his testimony on financial conditions of the air-line industry before the committee in connection with its hearings in pursuance of S. Res. 50, to authorize study and investigation of the financial conditions and operating efficiency of the air-line industry. Hearings continue tomorrow.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee held routine hearings on the nominations of William D. Murray and Robert E. Tehan, to be U. S. district judges.

MINIMUM WAGE—FAIR LABOR STANDARDS

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee continued hearings on S. 653 (and related bills), to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938, extending its scope and increasing the minimum wage to 75 cents per hour, with the following witnesses expressing their views on the proposed legislation: Charles Sands, Hotel and Restaurant Employes and Bartenders' International Union; Helen Blanchard, Department Store Employees Union, CIO; Dolly Lowther, laundry division, CIO; Joseph T. King, National Retail Lumber Dealers Association; Wage G. McCargo, H. V. Baldwin & Co., Richmond, Va.; Carl A. Beck, National Small Business Men's Association; George R. LeSauvage, National Restaurant Association; and Rowland Jones, Jr., American Retail Federation. Hearings continue tomorrow.

POSTAL RATES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Continuing hearings on S. 1103, to readjust postal rates, subcommittee received testimony from the following witnesses in opposition to the bill with particular reference to second-class mail: A. E. Singer, president, Crowell-Collier Co., New York; Bruce A. Campbell, Elks National Memorial Publications; James F. Nicholson, Elks Magazine; H. C. Kephart, Southern Publishing Co., Nashville; Allen L. Crammer, National Association of Magazine Publishers, New York; Walter Fuller, National Association Magazine Publishers, Philadelphia; and Clyde Kellogg, Stanford Paper Co., Washington. Hearings continue tomorrow.

COMMITTEE HEARINGS, INVESTIGATIONS, AND HATCH ACT

Committee on Rules and Administration: Committee voted to report favorably without amendment H. R. 1579, to amend the Printing Act to allow the printing of extra copies of congressional hearings and other documents to the amount of $1,200 (formerly $500), by simple resolution; S. Con. Res. 26, authorizing Joint Committee on Economic Report to investigate certain economic problems, and to provide $30,000 for that purpose; and S. Res. 97, to transmit to Detroit Historical Commission certain documents in the Senate files; and with amendment S. Res. 101, to authorize additional funds for the Committee on Banking and Currency for committee expenditures.

A subcommittee, consisting of Senators Myers, Gillette, and Ives, was appointed to consider S. Con. Res. 2, to provide for reform in certain procedures before congressional committees.

The committee considered H. R. 1243, to amend the Hatch Act relative to penalties for violations of this act by Federal civil-service employees, receiving testimony from Harry B. Mitchell, Civil Service Commission, in support of the bill. Without reaching a conclusion, the committee appointed a subcommittee consisting of Senators Stennis, Gillette, and Knowland to study the bill further.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Twenty-eight public bills, H. R. 4225–4252; ten private bills, H. R. 4253–4262; and three resolutions, H. Res. 184–186, were introduced.

Pages 4546, 4549, 4564–4565

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. R. 2702, a private bill (H. Rept. 433);

H. R. 2753, to amend the act of April 28, 1904 (33 Stat. 527; 43 U. S. C., sec. 213), relating to additional homestead entries (H. Rept. 434);

H. R. 3576, to repeal certain obsolete laws relating to the sale of public lands (H. Rept. 435);

S. 796, to establish the grade of general of the Air Force (H. Rept. 436);

H. R. 1953, to increase the fees of witnesses in U. S. courts and before U. S. commissioners (H. Rept. 437);

Disposal of executive papers (H. Rept. 438);

H. Res. 185, rule providing for 2 hours' general debate on H. R. 2989, to incorporate the Virgin Islands Corporation (H. Rept. 439); and

Conference report on S. 1209, to amend the Economic Cooperation Act of 1948 (H. Rept. 440).

Pages 4548, 4564

Disposition of Greentown Projects: Passed H. R. 2440, to authorize the disposition of the Greentown projects of Greenbelt, Md., Greendale, Wis., and Greenhills, Ohio. Adopted a committee amendment protecting present tenants and setting out certain sales procedure, terms, and conditions. Pages 4492–4494

VA Deficiency Appropriation: Adopted H. J. Res. 222, to make an additional appropriation for the Veterans' Administration for the fiscal year 1949. The joint resolution provides an appropriation of $595,890,000 for readjustment benefits for veterans to be paid by the Veterans' Administration. The benefits consist of tuition fees and supplies and equipment for institutional trainees, payments for on-the-job training, and unemployment allowances. Pages 4494–4497

Alien Fiancés: Agreed to Senate amendments to H. J. Res. 160, in re processing of visa cases for admission into U. S. of alien fiancés and alien fiancées of GI's, thus clearing the measure for Presidential action.

Pages 4497–4498

Military Establishment Appropriation: After rejecting a move to recommit the bill, the House by a vote of 271 yeas to 1 nay passed H. R. 4146, the National Military Establishment appropriation bill. This measure, as passed, is unchanged from the reported version. The bill provides $13,269,115,800 and contract authorization of $2,636,301,000, or a total of $15,905,416,800, which is an increase of $631,252,100 over the budget request. Pages 4498–4546

Columbia River Valley: Heard Presidential message recommending establishment of Columbia Valley Administration for the development of the Pacific Northwest. This was referred to the Committee on Public Works and will be printed as House Document No. 158.

Pages 4546–4548

Private Bills: House agreed to the Senate amendments to the following private bills, thus clearing them for the President: H. R. 594, 595, 652, and 1501.

House disagreed to Senate amendment to H. R. 1271, a private bill, requested a conference with the Senate, and appointed Representatives Byrne, Lane, and Jennings as conferees. Pages 4551–4552

Everglades Park: Passed H. R. 4029, relative to enlargement of the Everglades National Park, Fla.

Page 4548

Tort Claims: Agreed to Senate amendment to H. R. 779, to increase the time for presenting claims to Federal agencies or prosecuting claims in U. S. district courts under Federal Tort Claims Act. Page 4551

Committee Meetings

FARM, ANIMAL, AND FORESTRY BILLS

Committee on Agriculture: Ordered the following bills reported to the House:

H. R. 848, to provide for the retirement of Government funds now constituting a substantial part of the capital of the central and regional banks for cooperatives, amended;

H. R. 2001, to increase funds for a national survey of forest lands;

H. R. 2296 (reforestation), to amend and supplement the Clarke-McNary Act of June 7, 1924, amended;

H. R. 2514, to enable the Secretary of Agriculture to extend financial assistance to homestead entrymen;

H. R. 2906, to provide for 1 year's extension of time (to June 30, 1950) for the disposition of farm labor camps to public or semipublic agencies or nonprofit associations of farmers;

H. R. 3181, to provide an additional $50,000 for more effective conservation in the arid and semiarid areas of the United States;

H. R. 3717, to repeal the act of July 24, 1946, relating to the Swan Island animal quarantine station; and

H. R. 4081, amending the Agricultural Adjustment Act in order to permit the delivery of excess peanuts to agencies designated by the Secretary of Agriculture.

COMMITTEE AUTHORIZATIONS—EMPLOYEES

Committee on House Administration: Approved the following resolutions for reporting to the House:

H. Res. 103, providing for employment of an additional transcriber in the office of the Official Reporters of Debates;

H. Res. 157, authorizing $60,000 for expense of investigations and studies of jurisdictional matters by the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce;

H. Res. 172, providing for one additional clerk for the Committee on the Judiciary;

S. Con. Res. 10, authorizing additional appropriation of $13,975 for use of the Joint Committee on Labor-Management Relations;

H. J. Res. 200, authorizing Commission to proceed with plans for one hundred and fiftieth anniversary celebration of the U. S. Capital in the District of Columbia; and

A resolution, to be introduced, providing for salary increases for certain employees of the House.

DP'S—CLAIMS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 1 agreed to provisions of a bill to amend the Displaced Persons Act of 1948, which will be reported favorably to the full committee.

Subcommittee No. 3 agreed to report favorably to the full committee 11 private House bills and 1 private Senate bill (claims). Also, took testimony on other private claims.

RECLAMATION—MINING

Committee on Public Lands: Ordered the following bills reported to the House:

H. R. 1922, amending the Reclamation Project Act of 1939, relative to repeal of 50-year limitation on land leases administered by Federal reclamation laws where such land is to be used for public-road construction;

H. R. 2984, to consolidate the Parker Dam power project, Arizona-California, and the Davis Dam power project, Arizona-Nevada; and

H. R. 3754, to provide for temporary deferment in certain unavoidable contingencies of annual assessment work on mining claims held by location in this country.

VETERANS' PENSIONS

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Heard a brief statement from Omar B. Ketchum, legislative representative of the VFW, summarizing the position of his organization on H. R. 3821, providing pensions for veterans of World War I. The committee then adjourned until the expiration of the Easter recess of the House.

SOCIAL SECURITY

Committee on Ways and Means: Testifying at today's hearings on H. R. 2893, amending the Social Security Act relative to old-age and survivors' insurance, were: David V. Addy, chairman, national child welfare commission of the American Legion; Robert E. McLaughlin, national legislative director, AMVETS; Joseph A. Clorety, Jr., national vice chairman, American Veterans Committee; Mrs. Marie Jordan, chairman, board of directors, Gold Star Wives of America, Inc.; Charles Gabriel, representing the Eastern Seaboard Alliance of Telephone Unions; Dr. H. M. Griffiths, director, public relations, National Economic Council, Inc., New York City; Dr. Marjorie Shearon, editor and legislative consultant, Chevy Chase, Md.; Irving T. Gumb, executive vice president, New Jersey State Chamber of Commerce; and Karl Tufel, Baldwin, N. Y. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

Joint Committee Meetings

ECA

Conferees on S. 1209, to amend the Economic Cooperation Act of 1948, reached an agreement to file a complete report on the bill. As agreed upon by the conferees, it would authorize a total of $5,430,000,000.

The conferees also reached following agreements: To accept a modified provision on small business, a modified guaranty clause decreasing the limit to $150 million, the 12½ percent flour provision, elimination of the corn provision, House amendment on supplying ships to Italy, modified provision on marine insurance, Senate amendment on China aid (with an amendment), the 50–50 shipping provision, the amendment on Indonesia, and the Senate amendment that no ECA funds be used for advertising in the U. S. of foreign travel.

Thursday, April 14, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

Both Houses adopted conference report on ECA, clearing bill for President.
Senate passed Veterans' appropriation bill, and debated housing measure.
House passed independent offices appropriation bill for 1950.
Senate group reported Labor-FSA appropriations bill.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 4565–4579

Bills Introduced: Twenty-three bills and seven resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1579 to S. 1601; S. J. Res. 78, 79, and 80; and S. Res. 107, 108, 109, and 110. **Pages 4572–4573, 4578–4579, 4599**

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. Res. 97, to transmit to Detroit Historical Commission certain documents in the Senate files (S. Rept. 262);

S. Res. 101, to authorize additional funds for the Committee on Banking and Currency for committee expenditures, with amendments (S. Rept. 263);

S. Con. Res. 26, authorizing Joint Committee on Economic Report to investigate certain economic problems, and to provide $30,000 for that purpose (S. Rept. 264);

H. R. 3333, Labor-FSA appropriations for 1950, with amendments (S. Rept. 265);

S. 988, to extend benefits of Civil Service Retirement Act to certain employees involuntarily separated between July 1, 1945, and July 1, 1947 (S. Rept. 266);

S. 1023, to amend the Civil Service Retirement Act so as to grant credit for service for which no deductions from salary are made (S. Rept. 267);

S. 1229, to enable certain former employees of the U. S. to elect return of civil-service retirement contributions plus interest in lieu of annuities (S. Rept. 268); and

H. R. 1579, to amend the Printing Act to allow the printing of extra copies of congressional hearings and other documents to the amount of $1,200 (formerly $500) by simple resolution (no written report). **Pages 4571–4572**

Bills Referred: Two House-passed bills were referred to appropriate committees. **Page 4578**

Bill Rereferred: Committee on Appropriations was discharged from further consideration of S. J. Res. 69, proposed amendment to the Constitution relating to fiscal matters, and it was rereferred to the Committee on the Judiciary. **Page 4566**

Housing: Senate continued consideration of S. 1070, to establish a national housing policy. **Pages 4581–4586, 4596, 4603–4620**

VA Appropriations: Senate passed and cleared for the President H. J. Res. 222, making additional appropriations totaling $595,890,000 for the VA for the fiscal year 1949. **Pages 4579–4581**

ECA: Senate adopted conference report on S. 1209, to amend the Economic Cooperation Act of 1948. **Pages 4586–4589**

Printing: Senate passed without amendment and cleared for the President H. R. 1579, to amend the Printing Act to allow the printing of extra copies of congressional hearings and other documents to the amount of $1,200 (formerly $500) by simple resolution. **Page 4572**

House Easter Adjournment: Senate concurred in H. Con. Res. 56, providing for adjournment of the House from April 14 until Monday, April 25. **Page 4618**

Committee Meetings

LABOR-FSA APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Committee voted to report with amendment H. R. 3333, Labor-FSA appropriations for 1950. As approved for reporting, the bill would appropriate $2,396,385,265, an increase of $185,691,180 over the amount as passed by the House. The budget estimates for 1950 total $2,234,389,285. The House-passed bill would provide $2,210,694,085.

ARMY CIVIL-FUNCTIONS APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee continued hearings on H. R. 3734, Army civil-functions appropriations for 1950, receiving testimony from Representative Lyle and a witness from Texas on flood-control projects in Texas; Senator Cain, Representatives Holmes, Horan, and Tollefson, and a delegation from the Pacific Northwest on river and flood-control projects in Washington and Oregon; Representative O'Hara on Hastings, Minn., small boat harbors; and Representative Bailey on a project in West Virginia. Hearings continue tomorrow.

AGRICULTURE APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee received testimony from E. A. Meyer, Administrator of Research and Marketing Act, and his assistants, on funds for research and marketing, and Ralph R. Shaw, librarian, and his assistants, on funds for the library of the Agriculture Department, in connection with its hearings on H. R. 3997, Agriculture appropriations for 1950. Hearings continue Monday.

FEDERAL PROPERTY DISPOSAL

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Committee held hearings on two bills, receiving testimony in support of S. 990, to reorganize and simplify the procurement, utilization, and disposal of Government property, from the following witnesses: James W. Follin, Assistant Administrator, and Maxwell H. Elliott, acting general counsel, both of FWA; William C. Cleary, Director of Management Division, WAA; Clifton Mack, Director, and William E. Hayghe, Chief, Central Traffic Service Division, both of Bureau of Federal Supply; and five officials of the Office of Educational Exchange of the State Department.

The following four witnesses testified in support of S. 859, to authorize all Federal agencies to donate surplus property for educational purposes: Dr. Arthur L. Harris; H. F. Alves, Office of Education; William H. Moore, National Committee of State Educational Agencies for Surplus Property; and James L. Reid, National Committee of State Educational Agencies.

NOMINATIONS TO TAX COURT

Committee on Finance: Committee met to receive testimony on the nomination of Marion Harron and Byron Harlan to be judges of the U. S. Tax Court. Since no witnesses appeared to testify in opposition to or for the nomination of Mr. Harlan, the committee will make disposition of it at a later date in executive session.

The following witnesses appeared in opposition to the renomination of Marion Harron: H. Cecil Kilpatrick, William A. Southerland, Percy W. Phillips, George M. Morris, and Robert N. Miller, all of the American Bar Association. The following attorneys appeared in support: Melvin Huffaker, Detroit; Joseph Klein, Harry J. Riddick, and Richard W. Wilson, all of New York. Judge Harron appeared in behalf of her own nomination. Committee meets again Tuesday, April 19.

COLORADO RIVER

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Continuing its hearings on the Colorado River system, the committee heard Harold Conkling, consulting engineer, California State Colorado River Board, testify against S. 75, to authorize construction, operation, and maintenance of dams on the Colorado River at Bridge Canyon, together with certain appurtenant dams and canals, and in support of S. J. Res. 4, granting congressional consent to joinder of the U. S. in suit in the U. S. Supreme Court for adjudication of claims to water of the Colorado River system. Further hearings on this proposed legislation will be resumed on the 26th.

AIR-LINE INDUSTRY

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Committee continued hearings in pursuance of S. Res. 50, to authorize study and investigation of the financial conditions and operating efficiency of the air-line industry, receiving testimony from Administrator of the CAA Delos W. Rentzel. Subcommittee meets again Monday.

INLAND WATERWAYS CORPORATION

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee held hearings on S. 211, to amend the Act To Create the Inland Waterways Corporation, to increase the capital stock and authorize appropriation of an additional $18,000,000 for paying for such subscription, receiving testimony in support of the bill from the following witnesses: Senators Butler, Wherry, and Long; Henry McCampbell, Omaha Dock Board; William Marriott, Sioux City Grain Exchange; James R. Smith, Yankton Chamber of Commerce, South Dakota; and Lachlan MacLeay, president, Mississippi Valley Association.

ELECTORAL COLLEGE AND PRIVATE BILL

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee heard Edward Simmons, New Bedford Standard Times, New Bedford, Mass., testify in opposition to S. J. Res. 2, to amend the Constitution regarding the electoral college system of electing the President and Vice President. Hearings continue Thursday, April 21.

Another subcommittee met in an afternoon session to consider S. 1095, a private bill.

MINIMUM WAGE—FAIR LABOR STANDARDS

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee continued hearings on S. 653 (and related bills), to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938, extending its scope and increasing the minimum wage to 75 cents per hour, with the following witnesses expressing their views on the proposed legislation: Joe Adams, Arthur J. Packard, and Glenwood J. Sherrard, American Hotel Association; J. Donald Parel, American Farm Bureau Federation; J. T. Sanders, National Grange; H. L. Mitchell, National Farm Labor Union of AFL; Edward T. Harris, Tobacco Workers International Union, AFL; Brownie Lee Jones, Southern School for Workers; Elizabeth Sasuly, Food, Tobacco, Agricultural, and Allied Workers Union of America, CIO; Elsie Robinson, Amalgamated Clothing Workers of America, CIO; Thomas B. Keehn, National Citizens Council for Migrant Labor; Ruth Green, Laundry Workers International Union, AFL; and Myrtle Tatum, United Paper Workers of America, CIO. Hearings continue Monday.

POSTAL RATES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Subcommittee, continuing hearings on S. 1103, to readjust postal rates, received further opposition testimony to the bill from the following witnesses: Hans G. Faltin, Apollo Ad Service, York, Pa.; S. A. Robinson, Real Silk Hosiery; E. F. Hamm, Jr., J. G. Lyne, and G. M. Lebhar, all of the Associated Business Papers, New York; and Carl Shoemaker, National Wildlife. Hearings continue Tuesday.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Thirty-eight public bills, H. R. 4263–4300; eleven private bills, H. R. 4301–4311; and nine resolutions, H. J. Res. 225 and 226, H. Con. Res. 55 and 56, and H. Res. 187–191, were introduced.

Pages 4626, 4685, 4698–4699

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. Res. 103, providing for employment of an additional transcriber in the office of the official reporters of debates (H. Rept. 441);

H. Res. 157, authorizing $60,000 for expense of investigations and studies of jurisdictional matters by the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce (H. Rept. 442);

H. Res. 172, providing for one additional clerk for the Committee on the Judiciary (H. Rept. 443);

S. Con. Res. 10, authorizing additional appropriation of $13,975 for use of the Joint Committee on Labor-Management Relations (H. Rept. 444);

H. J. Res. 200, authorizing Commission to proceed with plans for one hundred and fiftieth anniversary celebration of the establishment of the seat of the Federal Government in the District of Columbia (H. Rept. 445);

H. R. 1754, to provide for suspension of annual assessment work on mining claims held by location in the United States (H. Rept. 446);

H. R. 2984, to consolidate the Parker Dam power project, Arizona-California, and the Davis Dam power project, Arizona-Nevada (H. Rept. 447);

H. R. 4152, to approve certain amendatory contracts relative to water users for irrigation purposes (H. Rept. 448);

H. R. 1920, to amend the Columbia Basin Project Act with reference to State lands (H. Rept. 449);

H. R. 1922, amending the Reclamation Project Act of 1939, relative to repeal of 50-year limitation on land leases administered by Federal reclamation laws where such land is to be used for public-road construction (H. Rept. 450);

H. R. 2001, to authorize a national survey of forest resources (H. Rept. 451);

H. R. 2770, to amend section 77 of the act entitled "An act to establish a uniform system of bankruptcy throughout the United States," approved July 1, 1898 (H. Rept. 452);

H. J. Res. 226, to make funds available to certain Government agencies pending passage of H. R. 2632, the first deficiency appropriation bill for 1949 (H. Rept. 453);

H. Res. 188, specifying salary rates for various House employees (H. Rept. 454);

H. Res. 114, to authorize the Committee on Post Office and Civil Service to conduct studies and investigations relating to matters within its jurisdiction (H. Rept. 455);

H. Res. 189, providing for consideration of and 1 hour of debate on H. R. 2203, to provide for a decennial census of housing (H. Rept. 456);

H. Res. 190, providing for consideration of and 2 hours of debate on H. R. 195, to assist States in collecting sales and use taxes on cigarettes (H. Rept. 457);

H. Res. 191, providing for consideration of and 8 hours of debate on H. R. 2032, to repeal the Labor-Management Relations Act of 1947 and to reenact the National Labor Relations Act of 1935 (H. Rept. 458); and

H. R. 848, to provide for retirement of Government capital in the central and regional banks for cooperatives (H. Rept. 459).

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First Deficiency Appropriation: The House disagreed to the Senate amendments to H. R. 2632, the first deficiency appropriation bill for 1949; agreed to the conference requested by the Senate; and appointed Representatives Cannon, Kerr, Rabaut, Taber, and Wigglesworth as conferees on the part of the House.

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Pan American Union Anniversary: Adopted H. Res. 187, providing for the observance of April 14, Pan-American Day, by extending appropriate resolutions and felicitations to all other American Republics.

Pages 4621–4625

Land Conveyance: Agreed to Senate amendment to H. R. 164, to convey certain lands to the Churntown Elementary School District, Calif., thus completing congressional action on the bill. Page 4627

Private Bill: Disagreed to Senate amendment to H. R. 1169, a private bill; requested a conference with the Senate; and appointed Representatives Byrne of New York, Denton, and Jennings as conferees. Page 4627

ECA: Adopted and cleared for the President the conference report on S. 1209, to amend the Economic Cooperation Act of 1948. The compromise version agreed upon calls for an authorization of $5,580,000,000 for the next 15 months. Pages 4628–4632

Administrative Expenditure Resolutions: Adopted the following resolutions:

H. Res. 103, providing for employment of an additional transcriber in the office of the official reporters of debates;

H. Res. 157, authorizing $60,000 for expense of investigations and studies of jurisdictional matters by the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce;

H. Res. 172, providing for one additional clerk for the Committee on the Judiciary;

S. Con. Res. 10, authorizing additional appropriation of $13,975 for use of the Joint Committee on Labor-Management Relations; and

H. J. Res. 200, authorizing Commission to proceed with plans for one hundred and fiftieth anniversary celebration of the establishment of the seat of the Federal Government in the District of Columbia.

Pages 4632–4633

Independent Offices Appropriation: Passed, by voice vote, H. R. 4177, which provides $7,104,571,603 in cash appropriation, and contract authorizations of $472,314,628, or a total of $7,576,886,231, for the operation of the Executive Office of the President and sundry independent offices and agencies of Government for the next fiscal year. This figure is $734,680,599, cash and contract authorizations, below the budget estimate and $296,202,940 in excess of the 1949 appropriation.

Adopted the following amendments:

To restore $3,434,950 to the bill for the pay of enlisted trainees and cadet midshipmen at certain Federal and State maritime schools.

To prevent use of funds for site acquisitions or the creating of any new offices outside of the District of Columbia that have not been previously programed.

To reduce the Selective Service System appropriation from $9,000,000 to $4,500,000.

To delete from the bill the provision relative to employees and officers on a stated salary not being barred from receiving a greater salary under specific legislation enacted by the first session of the Eighty-first Congress. Pages 4643–4686

House Recess: Adopted H. Con. Res. 56, providing that when the House adjourns today, it stand in adjournment until 12 o'clock noon Monday, April 25.

Page 4685

Appropriations: Adopted H. J. Res. 226, making funds available to certain Government departments pending passage of H. R. 2632, the first deficiency bill of 1949. Page 4687

House Employees: Adopted H. Res. 188, specifying salary rates for certain employees of the House of Representatives. Pages 4687–4688

Committee Meetings

GOVERNMENT PROPERTY DISPOSAL

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Subcommittee on Legislative Reorganization continued hearings on H. R. 2781, to reorganize and simplify the disposal of Government property. The following witnesses testified: Representative Anderson of California; Gordon Gray, Assistant Secretary of the Army; Rear Adm. M. L. Ring, Vice Chief, Office of Naval Matériel, Navy Department; Willis S. McLeod, Deputy Director, Standards Branch, Bureau of Federal Supply; and Roy Ward, Bureau of the Budget. Adjourned subject to the call of the Chair.

CLAIMS

Committee on the Judiciary: Ordered 11 private claims bills reported to the House.

CIVIL SERVICE

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Crook subcommittee approved for reporting to the full committee, H. R. 3826, to regulate and improve the civil service of the United States. Kenneth C. Vipond, Assistant Chief Examiner of the Civil Service Commission, testified on the legislation.

RIVERS AND HARBORS—FLOOD CONTROL

Committee on Public Works: Announced beginning of hearings on river and harbor authorizations for all projects on which the Chief of Engineers has submitted favorable reports since the passage of the River and Harbor Act of July 24, 1946, not included in the River and Harbor Act of June 30, 1948. These hearings will run from Tuesday, April 26, at 10 a. m., and will conclude on Tuesday, May 10, 1949. On the following Monday, May 16, running through Thursday, May 26, hearings will be held on all flood-control authorizations for all projects on which the Chief of Engineers has submitted favorable reports since the passage of the Flood Control Act of July 24, 1946, not included in the Flood Control Act of June 30, 1948. All proponents and opponents, including Senators and Representatives, will be heard following the presentation of the individual project by the Chief of Engineers or his assistants.

Witnesses desiring to be heard should submit their names to the clerk of the committee indicating the projects in which they are interested, as they will be heard as the individual projects are called for consideration. For the schedule of hearings on these subjects, see pages A2287–A2289, in the Appendix of the Congressional Record.

INVESTIGATION—HOUSING CENSUS—CIGARETTE TAXES—TAFT-HARTLEY REPEAL

Committee on Rules: Ordered reported to the House H. Res. 114, authorizing the Committee on Post Office and Civil Service to conduct thorough investigation relating to matters within its jurisdiction.

Granted open rule providing for 1 hour's general debate on H. R. 2203, providing for a decennial census of housing, beginning in 1950; and granted an open rule providing for 2 hours' general debate on H. R. 195, to assist States in collecting sales and use taxes on cigarettes.

Also announced that the open rule which was approved Monday, April 11, waiving all points of order against, and providing 8 hours of general debate on, H. R. 2032, Taft-Hartley labor law repeal, will be filed today.

Representatives Murray of Tennessee and Rees spoke on the housing census rule and the Post Office investigatory resolution. Representatives Reed of New York and Short testified on the cigarette-tax bill. Next meeting subject to the call of the Chair.

SOCIAL SECURITY

Committee on Ways and Means: Continued its hearings on H. R. 2893, amending title II of the Social Security Act relating to old-age and survivors insurance. Appearing at today's meeting were Lloyd C. Halverson, economist, the National Grange; Angus McDonald, National Farmers Union; H. W. Nichols and Paul H. Nichols, both of the H. W. Nichols Sales Book Co., Cincinnati, Ohio; Robert C. O'Hair, economist and business consultant, Glen Ellyn, Ill.; W. O. Shively, secretary, National Cash Register Employees' Independent Union, Dayton, Ohio; Alvah W. Severson, secretary, Federal and State Inspectors Association of America, Trenton, N. J.; Clarence Mitchell, labor secretary, National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, New York City; D. A. Brown, Southampton, Pa.; Thomas B. Keehn, chairman, National Citizens Council for Migrant Labor; Leo Jandreau, vice president, United Electrical, Radio, and Machine Workers of America, New York City; James H. Durkin, president, United Office and Professional Workers of America, New York City; and Roy Eldean, representing the United Public Workers, CIO. A statement concerning the bill was filed by Edward S. Foster, general secretary, New York State Farm Bureau Federation, Ithaca, N. Y. Committee will resume its consideration of this legislation on Tuesday, April 19.

Joint Committee Meetings

ATOMIC ENERGY—REACTOR TEST STATION

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Committee held an open hearing on the selection of a site by the AEC for a reactor test station, with Senators Murray and Ecton, Representative Mansfield, and Governor Bonner, of Montana, together with a delegation from the State of Montana supporting the selection of such a site in the State of Montana. Senators Taylor and Miller made a statement to the committee supporting the Atomic Energy Commission's decision for selecting Idaho for the site. Committee adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

FIRST DEFICIENCY APPROPRIATIONS

Conferees on H. R. 2632, first deficiency appropriations for 1949, met but were unable to reach complete agreement on the differences between the House- and Senate-passed versions.

Monday, April 18, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate considered housing legislation.
Indian, irrigation, and private bills approved by Senate group.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 4700–4716

Bills Introduced: Thirty bills were introduced, as follows: S. 1602 to S. 1631. Page 4704

Bill Reported: A report was made as follows: S. 1359, to extend benefits of the Civil Service Retirement Act to officers and employees of Alaska and the Panama Canal, with amendment (S. Rept. 269). Page 4704

Bill Referred: One House-passed bill was referred to appropriate committee. Page 4704

Housing: Senate continued debate on S. 1070, to establish a national housing policy. Pages 4713, 4716–4718

Committee Meetings

AGRICULTURE APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee continued consideration of H. R. 3997, Agriculture appropriations for 1950, receiving further testimony from E. A. Meyer, Administrator of the Research and Marketing Act, on proposed funds for research and marketing; and hearing O. V. Wells, Chief of Bureau, and assistants, all of the Bureau of Agricultural Economics, in support of funds for the BAE. The following witnesses appeared to discuss the proposed river-basin programs: Ralph R. Will, administrative officer, Office of the Secretary; O. V. Wells, Chief, and Sherman E. Johnson, Assistant Chief, both of Bureau of Agricultural Economics; Frank W. Parker, Assistant Chief, Bureau of Plant Industry, Soils, and Agricultural Engineering; and Ralph S. Roberts, Director of Finance and Budget Officer—all of the Department of Agriculture. Hearings continue tomorrow.

ARMY CIVIL-FUNCTIONS APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee continued hearings on H. R. 3734, Army civil-functions appropriations for 1950, receiving testimony from the following witnesses in support of funds for the respective projects on which each testified: O. S. Barrett on New Cumberland locks and dams; Allen Pretzman, Columbus, Ohio, on Rocky Fork Reservoir, Ohio; Representative Crosser and Oliver A. Reynolds, Cleveland Chamber of Commerce, on bridge relocation, Cleveland Harbor; Senator Ferguson and C. W. Keifer, chairman, Michigan Waterways Commission, on small-boat harbors, Michigan; John Keily, State Office Building, Providence, R. I., on Point Judith Harbor, R. I.; and Senator Robertson and interested witnesses on Buggs Island project, North Carolina and Virginia.

On Friday, April 15, the subcommittee heard the following witnesses give testimony in support of the respective projects on which each testified: Senator Kerr on Oklahoma projects; Senator Morse, Representative Norblad, and Herbert G. West, Walla Walla, on Ice Harbor Dam; Representative Combs and others on the Magee Bend Dam, Sabine-Neches Channel; Representative Blatnik on Agate Bay Harbor, Minn.; Senator Holland and Representatives Peterson, Bennett, Herlong, and Smathers on Florida projects; E. W. Rising on Idaho projects; Chester C. Thompson, American Waterways Operators, on various projects; Senator McMahon on Connecticut projects; Senators Hill and Sparkman, Representatives Rains and Lanham, Frank Barfield, Coosa-Alabama River Association, and Everett Lay on the Coosa-Alabama River projects; and Senators Hill, Sparkman, and Kefauver and Representatives Rankin, Boykin, and Jones on the Tennessee-Tombigbee project. Hearings continue tomorrow.

BATTLE OF BULGE—MILITARY TRIAL

Committee on Armed Services: Secretary of Army Royall and Lt. Col. Burton F. Ellis, chief prosecutor of the Malmedy trials, appeared before the subcommittee to give background information in connection with its hearings on S. Res. 42, to investigate military trials of persons who massacred American soldiers in the Battle of the Bulge. The hearings are being held to decide if the resolution should be reported to the Senate for adoption. Hearings continue Wednesday.

INDIANS, IRRIGATION, AND PRIVATE BILL

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: In executive session, the committee ordered reported favorably the following bills: with amendment, S. 837, private bill; without amendment, S. 187, to provide for settlement of certain obligations of the U. S. to the Indians of New York; S. 276, to authorize rehabilitation of certain works of Fort Sumner irrigation district in New Mexico; S.

292, to establish the St. Croix Island National Monument, Maine; and nine private bills (S. 835, 836, 1036, 1037, 1038, 1040, 1057, 1058, and 1142).

AIR-LINE INDUSTRY

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Continuing hearings in pursuance of S. Res. 50, to authorize study and investigation of the financial conditions and operating efficiency of the air-line industry, the committee heard Harvey J. Gunderson, member, Board of Directors, RFC, discuss the financial picture of the air-line industry. Hearings continue Wednesday.

NOMINATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee held a routine hearing on the nomination of Philip Finnegan to be judge of the U. S. Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit. Since no opposition developed, the subcommittee will report this nomination to the full committee at a later date.

MINIMUM WAGE—FAIR LABOR STANDARDS

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Continuing hearings on S. 653 (and related bills), to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938, extending its scope and increasing the minimum wage to 75 cents per hour, the subcommittee heard the following witnesses express their views on the proposed legislation: A. L. Spradling, Amalgamated Association of Street and Electric Railway Employees of America, AFL; Joseph C. Beirne, Communications Workers of America; Warren R. Pollard, American Transit Association; Clyde McFarlin, U. S. Independent Telephone Association; William L. Allen, Commercial Telegraphers Union of North America, AFL; J. H. Waters, The Western Union; Peter T. Beardsley, American Trucking Association; Jack G. Scott, National Association of Motor Bus Operators; and Mrs. Rosalind Shulman, CIO Railway Employees. Hearings continue tomorrow.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House is in recess this week. Its next meeting will be on Monday, April 25, at 12 o'clock noon.

Committee Meetings

NAVAJO-HOPI INDIANS

Committee on Public Lands: Secretary of the Interior Julius A. Krug testified at the opening of the hearings on H. R. 3476, the Navajo-Hopi Indian rehabilitation program. This legislation, being considered before the Subcommittee on Indian Affairs, would authorize an appropriation of $90,000,000 to be used by the Secretary of the Interior to undertake a program of basic improvement for the conservation and development of Navajo and Hopi Indian resources. The bill also would include the establishment of a revolving loan fund. Other witnesses heard after the Secretary were William E. Warne, Assistant Secretary of the Interior; John Provinse and Lawrence M. Stevens, officials of the Bureau of Indian Affairs; and J. M. Stewart, general superintendent of the Navajo Agency, who introduced Sam Ahkheah, chairman of the Navajo Advisory Committee. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

Tuesday, April 19, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate debated housing bill.

Senate group reported State Department reorganization bill, two international conventions, and Foreign Service nominations.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 4719–4728

Bills Introduced: Seventeen bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 1632 to S. 1648; and S. J. Res. 81. Pages 4724–4725

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. R. 3932, to exempt artificial limbs from duty if imported for personal use and not for sale (S. Rept. 270);

S. 1527, to provide home rule for the District of Columbia (S. Rept. 271); and

S. Res. 110, extending an invitation to the International Olympic Committee to hold the 1956 Olympic winter games at Lake Placid, N. Y. (S. Rept. 272). Page 4724

Treaty: President transmitted to Senate for ratification the International Wheat Agreement (Exec. M); referred to Committee on Foreign Relations. Page 4740

Treaties Reported: The following treaties were reported: International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, 1948, a multilateral convention with 27 nations (Exec. B), Executive Report 4; and Convention of the World Meteorological Organization (Exec. C), Executive Report 5. Page 4724

Housing: Senate continued consideration of S. 1070, to establish a national housing policy. At recess the pending question remained the Cain amendment providing for approval of low-rent housing projects by referendum of local voters. Pages 4728–4740, 4752–4768

Nominations: Four civilian nominations were received. Page 4769

Committee Meetings

ARMY CIVIL-FUNCTIONS APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Continuing hearings on H. R. 3734, Army civil-functions appropriations for 1950, the subcommittee received testimony from the following witnesses in support of funds for the respective projects on which each testified: Senator Russell, Representative Davis of Georgia, Mayor Hartsfield of Atlanta, and other outside witnesses on Buford Dam; Senators Pepper and Holland, Representatives Rogers of Florida and Sikes, and interested witnesses, on Jacksonville-Miami waterway and other Florida projects; Robert W. Abbett, American Merchant Marine Institute, on river and harbor projects; Senator Douglas and interested witnesses on Illinois projects; Senators Chapman and Withers and interested witnesses on Kentucky projects; Senator Connally on Texas projects; and Senator Anderson on New Mexico projects. Hearings continue Wednesday.

AGRICULTURE APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee continued hearings on H. R. 3997, Agriculture appropriations for 1950, receiving testimony from the following officials of the Agriculture Department on funds for their respective agencies: G. E. Hilbert, Chief of Bureau of Agricultural and Industrial Chemistry, and assistants; Dr. Bennett T. Simms, Chief of Bureau of Animal Industry, and assistants; Dr. R. M. Salter, Chief of Bureau of Agricultural Research Administration, Bureau of Plant Industry, Soils, and Agricultural Engineering, and assistants; and Dr. S. A. Rohwer, Assistant Chief of Bureau of Entomology and Plant Quarantine, and others.

The following officials testified on funds for control of forest pests: Dr. S. A. Rohwer, Assistant Chief, Bureau of Entomology and Plant Quarantine; C. M. Granger, Assistant Chief of Bureau, Forest Service; I. J. Mason, Chief, Division of Timber Management, Forest Service; J. F. Shanklin, Director of Forests, Department of Interior; H. Wold, budget officer, Forest Service; B. C. Blakley, administrative assistant, Department of the Interior; Ralph S. Roberts, Director of Finance and budget officer, Department of Agriculture; and Dr. B. T. Shaw, Deputy Research Administrator, and E. L. Struttmann, budget officer, both of Agricultural Research Administration.

The following officials appeared in behalf of funds for research on strategic and critical agricultural materials: Dr. S. B. Fracker, research coordinator, Dr. B. T. Shaw, Deputy Research Administrator, and E. L. Struttmann, budget officer, all of Agricultural Research Administration; Dr. M. A. McCall, Assistant Chief, Bureau of Plant Industry, Soils, and Agricultural Engineering; C. F. Speh, Assistant Chief, Bureau of Agricultural and Industrial Chemistry; Maj. Gen. S. P. Spalding, Director, Materials and International Matters, Munitions Board; John Caswell, assistant to Chief, Rubber Division, Office of Domestic Commerce, Department of Commerce; and Ralph S. Roberts, Director of Finance and budget officer, Department of Agriculture. Hearings continue Wednesday.

INVESTIGATIONS

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Subcommittee on Senate Investigations met in executive session to consider certain preliminary investigations.

NOMINATION AND ARTIFICIAL-LIMB TAX EXEMPTION

Committee on Finance: Committee considered the renomination of Judge Marion Harron to be judge of the U. S. Tax Court, receiving testimony in support of the nomination from the following witnesses, all from Washington, D. C.: Albert Arent, Jesse L. Ward, Wesley A. Coote, J. P. Winchell, Miss Carol Agger, E. Clyde Algire, E. Randolph Paul, and Colonel McGuire, attorney for Judge Harron, who submitted a number of affidavits in her behalf. Committee will meet again on this nomination at a date to be determined.

In a brief executive session, the committee voted to report without amendment H. R. 3932, to exempt artificial limbs from duty if imported for personal use and not for sale.

STATE DEPARTMENT, OLYMPICS, INTERNATIONAL CONVENTIONS, AND NOMINATIONS

Committee on Foreign Relations: In executive session, the committee voted to report favorably the following:

(1) The committee print of a bill, as amended, to strengthen and improve the organization and admin-

istration of the Department of State. The bill is to be introduced under a new number and reported. As approved, it would provide for 4 additional Assistant Secretaries of State, making a total of 10, of which the Secretary might appoint 2 as Deputy Under Secretaries;

(2) S. Res. 110, extending an invitation to the International Olympic Committee to hold the 1956 Olympic winter games at Lake Placid, N. Y.;

(3) Convention of the World Meteorological Organization (Exec. C);

(4) International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, 1948, a multilateral convention with 27 nations (Exec. B); and

(5) the nomination of Louis G. Dreyfus to be Ambassador to Afghanistan, along with approximately 150 routine Foreign Service nominations.

Committee meets Thursday to hear Secretary of State Acheson discuss the situation in Germany.

MINIMUM WAGE—FAIR LABOR STANDARDS

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Continuing hearings on S. 653 (and related bills), to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938, extending its scope and increasing the minimum wage to 75 cents per hour, the subcommittee heard the following witnesses express their views on the proposed legislation: Gilbert R. Johnson, Lake Carriers' Association; Hoyt Haddock, CIO Maritime Committee; Gregory S. Prince, Association of American Railroads; Chester C. Thompson, American Waterways Operators, Inc.; Joseph O. Earp, Northwest Towboat Association; A. U. Krebs, National Federation of American Shipping, Inc.; and Robert Ramspeck, Air Transport Association. Hearings continue Wednesday.

POSTAL RATES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Subcommittee continued hearings on S. 1103, to readjust postal rates, receiving further opposition testimony to the bill from the following witnesses: Father Nicholas H. Wegner, Boys Town, Omaha; Millard W. Rice, DAV; A. L. Cole, Reader's Digest; Paul L. Phillips, International Brotherhood of Paper Makers, Albany, N. Y.; Francis J. Brown, American Council on Education, Washington; C. J. Brooks, C. & D. Co., Grand Rapids; Charles A. Bethge, Aldens, Inc., Chicago; George F. McKiernan, National Council on Business Mail; and Imrie DeVegh, Pell, DeVegh & Co., Inc., N. Y. Hearings continue Wednesday.

RURAL ROADS

Committee on Public Works: Senators Stennis and Kerr testified before the Subcommittee on Roads in support of S. 244 and S. 1471, to authorize regular appropriations for the construction of rural local roads, and to discuss the needs for a more adequate local rural road system. Hearings continue Wednesday.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House is in recess this week. Its next meeting will be on Monday, April 25, at 12 o'clock noon.

Committee Meetings

NAVAJO-HOPI INDIANS

Committee on Public Lands: The Subcommittee on Indian Affairs continued public hearings on H. R. 3476, the Navajo-Hopi Indian rehabilitation program, and heard J. M. Stewart, general superintendent of Navajo Agency, who introduced a delegation of Navajo Indians; James D. Crawford, superintendent of Hopi Agency, who also introduced a delegation representing the Hopi Tribe; Norman M. Littell, attorney for the Navajo Tribe; and Jonathan M. Steere, president, Indian Rights Association, Philadelphia, Pa.

SOCIAL SECURITY

Committee on Ways and Means: Resumed open hearings on social-security revision and heard the following witnesses testify relative to survivors and disability insurance: M. B. Folsom, treasurer, Eastman Kodak Co., Rochester, N. Y.; Hon. James E. Folsom, Governor, State of Alabama; Dowell E. Patterson, superintendent, Union Printers Home, Colorado Springs, Colo.; H. W. Nichols and Paul H. Nichols, both of the H. W. Nichols Sales Book Co., Cincinnati, Ohio; John A. Wood, secretary, New Jersey Department of the Treasury, Teachers' Pension and Annuity Fund, Trenton, N. J.; Robert J. Adams, Jr., secretary, National Conference on Public Employee Retirement Systems, Philadelphia, Pa.; John J. Goff, chairman, Committee of Associated Pension Funds of New Jersey, Newark, N. J.; Homer Wickenden, secretary, National Health and Welfare Retirement Association, Inc., New York, N. Y.; Walter O. Shively, representing the National Cash Register Employees Independent Union; Lewis H. Fisher, vice president and general counsel of the National Association of Retired Civil Employees, Washington, D. C.; and John J. Corson, of the Washington Post, Washington, D. C. Hearings continue tomorrow.

Wednesday, April 20, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate continued consideration of housing measure

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 4770–4780

Bills Introduced: Thirteen bills were introduced, as follows: S. 1649 to S. 1661. Pages 4775–4776

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 187, to provide for settlement of certain obligations of the U. S. to the Indians of New York (S. Rept. 273);

S. 292, to establish the St. Croix Island National Monument, Maine (S. Rept. 274); and

The following private bills: S. 835, 836, 1058, 1142, 1057, 837, 1036, 1037, 1038, and 1040 (S. Repts. 273 to 284, respectively). Page 4775

Olympic Games: Senate adopted S. Res. 110, extending an invitation to the International Olympic Committee to hold the 1956 Olympic winter games at Lake Placid, N. Y. Pages 4780–4781

Housing: Senate continued debate of S. 1070, to establish a national housing policy, with the Cain amendment, providing for approval of low-rent housing projects by referendum of local voters, as the pending question at recess. Pages 4781, 4791–4821

Treaties Ratified: The two following treaties were ratified: International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, 1948, a multilateral convention with 27 nations; and Convention of the World Meteorological Organization. Pages 4821–4829

Confirmations: Two hundred and thirty-eight diplomatic and Foreign Service nominations were confirmed, including that of Louis G. Dreyfus, Jr., of California, to be Ambassador to Afghanistan. Pages 4830–4831

Nominations: Three hundred and fifty-two nominations were received as follows: Four civilians, including that of Admiral Alan G. Kirk to be Ambassador to Soviet Russia, one Marine, and three hundred and forty-seven Regular Army. Pages 4829–4830

Committee Meetings

ARMY CIVIL-FUNCTIONS APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee concluded hearings on H. R. 3734, Army civil-functions appropriations for 1950, after receiving testimony from the following witnesses in support of funds for the respective projects on which each testified: Senator Robertson and interested witnesses on Virginia projects; Senators Myers and Martin on Pennsylvania projects; Senator Humphrey and Representative Hagen on Minnesota projects; Senators Williams and Frear on Delaware projects; Senator Magnuson on Washington projects; Senator Kilgore on West Virginia projects; a representative of the Washington Board of Trade and one from the Marine Trade Association on funds for pier 4 of the Washington, D. C., Channel; William H. Webb, National Rivers and Harbors Congress, on rivers and harbors generally; Maj. Gen. H. Feldman, the Quartermaster General, and five assistants, on cemeterial expenses for the Department of the Army; and three Government officials and four representatives of trade-unions on funds for Government civil functions for the Panama Canal Zone.

AGRICULTURE APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee finished hearing witnesses of the Department of Agriculture on H. R. 3997, Agriculture appropriations for 1950, after receiving testimony from the following officials of the Department in behalf of funds for their respective agencies: Lyle F. Watts, Chief, Forest Service, and assistants; J. C. Dykes, Assistant Chief, Soil Conservation Service, and assistants; and Dillard B. Lasseter, Administrator, Farmers Home Administration, and assistants. The following witnesses appeared in behalf of funds for flood control: Ralph R. Will, George R. Phillips, and W. A. Minor, all of the Office of the Secretary; J. C. Dykes, Homer M. Wells, and Carl H. Dorny, all of the Soil Conservation Service; E. N. Munns, C. M. Granger, and Gordon Salmond, all of the Forest Service; Sherman E. Johnson, Bureau of Agricultural Economics; and Ralph S. Roberts, Director of Finance and Budget Officer. Hearings continue tomorrow with private witnesses testifying.

BATTLE OF BULGE—MILITARY TRIAL

Committee on Armed Services: Lt. Col. Burton F. Ellis, chief prosecutor of the Malmedy trials, continued his testimony on the part he played in the trials, before the subcommittee in connection with its hearings on S. Res. 42, to investigate military trials of persons who massacred American soldiers in the Battle of the Bulge. These hearings continue on Friday.

INDIANS

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Committee heard Secretary of Interior Krug, Assistant Secretary Warne, and several Indians testify in support of S. 1407, to promote the rehabilitation of the Navajo and Hopi Indian Tribes. A representative of the Indian Traders Association appeared to give the views of his association on the bill.

AIR-LINE INDUSTRY

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: James Landis, former Chairman of the CAB, appeared before the committee in connection with its hearings in pursuance of S. Res. 50, to authorize study and investigation of the financial condition and operating efficiency of the air-line industry, to discuss the ills of the air-line industry and to present his views thereon. Committee meets again Thursday.

MINIMUM WAGE—FAIR LABOR STANDARDS

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Continuing hearings on S. 653 (and related bills), to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938, extending its scope and increasing the minimum wage to 75 cents per hour, the subcommittee heard the following witnesses express their views on the proposed legislation: David Dolnick, Amalgamated Meatcutters and Butcher Workmen of North America, Cannery Workers Division, AFL; Carroll E. Lindsey, National Canners Association; John H. Todd, National Cotton Compress and Cotton Warehouse Association; Robert C. Jackson, National Cotton Council of America; M. M. Paschall, National Cotton Ginners Association; Elizabeth Sasuly, Food and Tobacco Workers Union, CIO; Murphy J. Foster, Jr., president, American Sugar Cane League; Ernest W. Greene, Hawaiian Sugar Planters' Association; Ron Kennedy, Northwest Country Elevator Association; Seth Levine, International Fishermen and Allied Workers, CIO; Alex Summers and Edward A. Sutton, Jr., United Packing House Workers, CIO; Samuel Fraser, International Apple Association; and Dr. Lyle Cooper. Hearings continue Thursday.

POSTAL RATES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Continuing hearings on S. 1103, to readjust postal rates, the subcommittee heard further opposition testimony to the bill from the following witnesses: W. J. Egan, Raymond Commerce Building, Newark; Charles E. Foster and Leo Gans, both of DAV; N. S. Walbridge, beauty counselors, Grosse Pointe, Mich.; I. R. Dickson, vice president, Bellas Hess Co., New York; Harvey Conover, National Business Publications; Lansing Chapman, Medical Economics, Inc., Rutherfordton, N. J.; and Lowell Wilken, general manager of Wilknit Hosiery Co., Greenfield, Ohio. Subcommittee meets again Friday.

RURAL ROADS

Committee on Public Works: Subcommittee on Roads continued hearings on S. 244 and S. 1471, to authorize regular appropriations for the construction of rural local roads, receiving testimony in support of the legislation from the following witnesses: Senators Malone and Thye; Daniel K. Kelly, county engineer, LeFlore County, Miss.; Sidney Roebuck, Mississippi State highway commissioner; J. O. Clark, Mississippi State senator; Dave Solomon, secretary of Mississippi State Supervisors Association; Raymond Gary, Oklahoma State senator; Phil Lowry and Keith Cartwright, members of Oklahoma State Legislature; Carl Dean, president, County Commissioners Association; C. H. Mullendore, vice chairman, and George Johnson, both of Oklahoma State Highway Commission; Mike Donnelly, commissioner of Oklahoma County; and J. Mack Stevenson, commissioner of Delaware County, Okla. Hearings continue Thursday.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House is in recess this week. Its next meeting will be on Monday, April 25, at 12 o'clock noon.

Committee Meetings

SOCIAL SECURITY

Committee on Ways and Means: William Green, president, American Federation of Labor, testified today at the hearings on H. R. 2893, amending title II of the Social Security Act, relative to old-age and survivors insurance. Other witnesses were Nelson H. Cruikshank, director, Social Insurance Activities; A. L. Spradling, president, Amalgamated Association of Street and Electric Railway Employees of America, accompanied by Thomas P. Dillon, secretary, Boston Carmen's Union; James A. Brownlow, secretary-treasurer, Metal Trades Department, AFL; Larry Taylor, first vice president, International Typographical Union; Arthur Olsen, general organizer, United Association of Journeymen and Apprentices of the Plumbing and Pipe Fitting Industry of the United States and Canada; William H. Cooper, secretary-treasurer, Building Service Employees' International Union; Lester Washburn, president, International Union, United Automobile Workers of America; Orrin A. Burrows, international representative, International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers; S. E. Roper, president, Tennessee Valley Trades and Labor Council; Arthur McDowell, appearing for Sol B. Hoffman, president, Upholsterers' International Union of North America; Morris P. Glushien, general counsel, International Ladies' Garment Workers Union; David Dolnick, labor consultant, Amalgamated Meat Cutters and Butcher Workmen of North America; Maywood Boggs, international representative, International Brotherhood of Boiler Makers, Iron Ship Builders, and Helpers of America; H. L. Mitchell, president, National Farm Labor Union; A. E. Garey, civil-service counsel, American Federation of State, County, and Municipal Employees; George Nelson, representing Harvey W. Brown, president, Grand Lodge, International Association of Machinists; Charles E. Sands, international representative, Hotel and Restaurant Employees and Bartenders International Union; and Morris Horn, representative, local 627, Amalgamated Meat Cutters and Butcher Workmen of North America, New York City. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

Thursday, April 21, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

By vote of 57 yeas to 13 nays, Senate passed housing bill.

Senate Foreign Relations Committee met on proposed military aid under North Atlantic Pact.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 4831–4836

Bills Introduced: Seven bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1662 to S. 1668; S. Con. Res. 30; and S. Res. 111. Pages 4834, 4862, 4890

Housing: Senate passed, by 57 yeas to 13 nays, S. 1070, to establish a national housing policy, after taking the following action on amendments:

Rejected: By 21 yeas to 55 nays, Cain amendment providing for approval of low-rent housing projects by referendum of local voters; by 27 yeas to 53 nays, Bricker amendment barring employees of local or Federal Government from occupying Government-owned or assisted housing; by 31 yeas to 49 nays, Bricker amendment prohibiting discrimination or segregation under act because of race, creed, or color; by 32 yeas to 46 nays, Bricker amendment prohibiting discrimination under act because of race, creed, or color; by 24 yeas to 55 nays, Bricker amendment barring contracts under act until funds have been appropriated by Congress; by voice vote, Cain-Bricker amendment authorizing appropriations to provide funds for loans rather than through issuance of Government notes; by 19 yeas to 58 nays, Bricker amendment to eliminate titles relating to low-rent public housing and farm housing; by 28 yeas to 46 nays, Cain-Bricker amendment relating to yardstick for determination of costs of accommodations under act; by 30 yeas to 46 nays, McCarthy amendment to clarify language regarding selection of tenants by eliminating words "at specified rents"; by 10 yeas to 65 nays, Cain-Bricker amendment barring from any low-rent project any family not certified by local public welfare agency as in need of such assistance; by 22 yeas to 50 nays, Cain amendment to demolish a slum unit for every new unit built under the act; and by 30 yeas to 41 nays, Taft amendment to eliminate language providing for loans for minor farm improvements; and

Adopted: By 43 yeas to 35 nays, Cain-Bricker amendment barring acquisition of land for projects except following public hearing; by voice vote, McCarthy amendment authorizing Administrator to appoint a director to administer act under his supervision, such director to receive same compensation as heads of agencies of Housing and Home Finance Agency; by voice vote, Taft amendment limiting maximum number of public housing units built in any one year; by 41 yeas to 28 nays, Langer amendment increasing grants for farm improvements from $12.5 million to $25 million over the next 4 years; by voice vote, Sparkman amendment removing provision limiting veterans' preference to 5 years, as amended by McCarthy amendment to include veterans of World War I; by voice vote, Sparkman amendment to give National Capital Housing Authority right to purchase sites for low-rent housing projects; and, by voice vote, a series of Sparkman perfecting amendments on behalf of the committee.

Pages 4836–4903

Condolence Resolution: Senate adopted S. Res. 111, expressing condolence on the death of Representative Coffey. Page 4890

CCC Charter: Senate made its unfinished business S. 900, to amend the CCC charter. Page 4903

Confirmations: Senate confirmed 48 routine Army and 552 routine Navy nominations. Page 4904

Committee Meetings

AGRICULTURE APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Continuing hearings on H. R. 3997, Agriculture appropriations for 1950, subcommittee received testimony from the following witnesses in support of funds for the respective objectives to which they directed their testimony: Senator Long on insect investigation, Forest Service, and school lunch; Senator Pepper on soil-conservation research, REA, and school lunch; Representative Phillips of California on guayule under Agricultural Research Administration; Dr. W. B. Kemp, Maryland, Experiment Station Group of Association Land-Grant Colleges and Universities, on Research and Marketing Act; Aubrey Gates, Arkansas, Extension Group of Association of Land-Grant Colleges and Universities, on extension service grants; Gen. Joe Fraser, and group, on Coastal Plain experiment station under Forest Service; and Senator Stennis, J. Don Parel and Alexander Johnson, both of American Farm Bureau Federation, and J. T. Sanders, National Grange, all on agricultural appropriations generally. Hearings continue tomorrow.

NATIONAL SECURITY ACT—DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE, AND NOMINATIONS

Committee on Armed Services: In executive session, the committee discussed generally S. 1269, to convert the National Military Establishment into an executive department to be known as the Department of Defense, and to establish the responsibility and authority of the Secretary of Defense (National Security Act amendments of 1949), and considered proposed amendments to the bill. It will meet again next Monday to dispose of amendments in hopes of reaching a vote on reporting the bill.

Five hundred and eighty-four Army and Navy nominations were voted favorably reported.

TAX COURT NOMINATION, AND OLEO

Committee on Finance: In executive session, committee ordered reported favorably the nomination of Byron B. Harlan to be judge of the U. S. Tax Court.

Committee also considered H. R. 2023, to repeal oleomargarine tax, and proposed amendments. Will meet again on this next week.

NORTH ATLANTIC PACT—MILITARY AID

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee met in executive session with Secretary of State Acheson, Secretary of Defense Johnson, and Ambassador Harriman in order to discuss the proposed military assistance program. The Secretary of State outlined how the military assistance program fits into United States foreign policy and its role in attaining the objectives thereof. The two Secretaries and Ambassador Harriman then discussed fully and frankly the details of the proposed military assistance program, "indicating that the cost of the over-all military assistance program for fiscal 1950 will be approximately $1,450,000,000." The Chairman announced, "I want to emphasize that this is the *total* amount contemplated for all military assistance programs including Greece and Turkey. Military aid to the states under the pact will be $1,130,000,000, including transfers of equipment and surplus materials and also raw materials from the United States." Committee decided to begin hearings on the North Atlantic Treaty on April 28 at 10 a. m. in the caucus room of the Senate Office Building.

AIR-LINE INDUSTRY

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Committee continued hearings in pursuance of S. Res. 50, to authorize study and investigation of the financial condition and operating efficiency of the air-line industry, receiving testimony on the financial conditions of the air-line industry from Senator Morse; Roger F. Murray, vice president, Bankers Trust Co., New York; and James Fischgrund, chairman, National Independent Air Carriers, and vice president, Standard Air Lines, Inc. Hearings continue tomorrow.

ELECTORAL COLLEGE

Committee on the Judiciary: Lloyd C. Halvorson, National Grange, appeared before the subcommittee to testify in support of S. J. Res. 2, to amend the Constitution regarding the electoral college system of electing the President and Vice President. Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

MINIMUM WAGE—FAIR LABOR STANDARDS

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Continuing hearings on S. 653 (and related bills), to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938, extending its scope and increasing the minimum wage to 75 cents per hour, the subcommittee heard the following witnesses express their views on the proposed legislation: Senator Fulbright; A. Fernós-Isern, Resident Commissioner of Puerto Rico; C. Tracy Taylor, Associated Retail Bakers of America; Gladys Dickerson, Amalgamated Clothing Workers of America, CIO; Lazare Teper, International

Ladies' Garment Workers Union, AFL; John Edelman, Textile Workers Union of America, CIO; John M. Higgins, Southern Pine Industry Committee; George Beardmore, National Lumber Manufacturers Association; Thomas O. Moore, American Cotton Manufacturers Association; James R. Tritschler, Standard Oil Co. (Ohio); Louis A. Capaldo, National Council of Salesmen's Organizations; Aileen Lenk, American Federation of Hosiery Workers; and William Glazier, International Longshoremen's and Warehousemen's Union. Hearings continue tomorrow.

RURAL ROADS

Committee on Public Works: Subcommittee on Roads continued hearings on S. 244 and S. 1471, to authorize regular appropriations for the construction of rural local roads, with the following witnesses testifying in support of provisions of the bills: Senator Withers; Reece Evans, chairman, committee on natural resources, Oklahoma Legislature; J. D. McCarty and Streeter Speakman, both of Oklahoma; and H. A. Thompson, secretary, Pennsylvania State Association of Township Supervisors. Hearings continue Monday, April 25.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House is in recess this week. Its next meeting will be on Monday, April 25, at 12 o'clock noon.

Committee Meetings

SOCIAL SECURITY

Committee on Ways and Means: At today's hearing on H. R. 2893, amending title II of the Social Security Act relative to old-age and survivors insurance, the committee received the testimony of the following witnesses: Eugene J. Butler, assistant director, legal department, National Catholic Welfare Conference; Clarence Mitchell, labor secretary, NAACP; Albert J. McLaughlin, Pensioners Protective Association of America; James Watt, Christian Science Committee on Publication for the Christian Science Churches; Florence DuBois Mooers, of the National Executive Housekeepers Association; Sidney Hollander, representing 23 national voluntary health and welfare organizations; Edith M. Beattie, R. N., of the American Nurses' Association; John H. Hayes, on behalf of the American Hospital Association; David H. Stewart, president, Pennsylvania State Education Association; Esther C. Stamats, executive director, YWCA of Baltimore; George E. Immerwahr, Charles J. Brooks, vice president, C. & D. Co., of Grand Rapids, Mich.; Roy Eldean, representing the United Public Workers, CIO; and Lawrence L. Gourley, representing the American Osteopathic Association, who was heard in lieu of C. D. Swope. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

Friday, April 22, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate debated Commodity Credit bill.

Senate groups concluded hearings on postal rates and minimum wage.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 4905–4915

Bills Introduced: Ten bills were introduced, as follows: S. 1669 to S. 1678. Page 4908

Bill Reported: Report was made on S. Res. 34, to investigate contracts with railroads for carrying mail, with amendments (S. Rept. 285). Page 4907

President's Message: Senate received message from President recommending national health-insurance program, which was ordered to be printed as S. Doc. 59. Referred to Committee on Labor and Public Welfare. Pages 4936–4938

Funeral Committee: Vice President named a funeral committee, consisting of Senators Myers and Martin, to attend the funeral of the late Representative Coffey. Page 4904

CCC Charter: Senate debated S. 900, to amend comprehensively the CCC charter, the first committee amendment remaining the pending question at recess.

Pages 4915–4936, 4938–4949

Nomination: Senate received nomination of David K. E. Bruce, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to France.

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Committee Meetings

CROP PRODUCTION

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: In pursuance of S. Res. 36, authorizing investigation of matters relating to crop production and utilization, the subcommittee held an organizational meeting and agreed to request the chairman of the full committee to appoint a counsel for the full committee and assign him to the subcommittee for its investigation. The subcommittee scheduled hearings to begin next Wednesday, April 27.

AGRICULTURE APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee continued hearings on H. R. 3997, Agriculture appropriations for 1950, receiving testimony from the following witnesses in support of funds for the respective objectives to which they directed their testimony: Senator Butler on barberry eradication and soil-conservation research; Representative Anderson of California on guayule and the fruitfly; Delegate Farrington and others on the oriental fruitfly; F. B. Wise, National Renderers Association, L. B. Liljenquist, Western States Meat Packers Association, Arthur Winn, National Independent Meat Packers Association, and Carl H. Wilken, Raw Materials National Council, all on new uses for fats and oils; Charles Jackson and Christian P. Norgold, National Live Stock Loss Prevention Board, on cattle grubs; Donald G. Fletcher, Conference for Prevention of Grain Rust, on black-stem rust; Representative Wilson of Oklahoma on Woodward Station; C. W. Kitchen, United Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Association, on market regulatory acts; Hans VanGinhoven, North American Commercial Gladiolus Growers, and Preston Hayden, Manatee Fruit Co., Fla., both on gladiolus research; and Senator Long and J. T. Sanders, National Grange, on agricultural appropriations generally. Hearings continue Monday.

TREASURY-POST OFFICE APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee met in executive session to work on marking up for reporting to the full committee H. R. 3083, Treasury-Post Office appropriations for 1950. It did not conclude but adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

BATTLE OF BULGE—MILITARY TRIAL

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee continued its hearings on S. Res. 42, to investigate military trials of persons who massacred American soldiers in the Battle of the Bulge, receiving testimony from the following witnesses on general background of the military trials of the massacre at Malmedy: Col. John M. Raymond, Morris Ellowitz, ex-Sgt. Kenneth Ahrens, and D. A. Sealise.

AIR-LINE INDUSTRY

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: James Landis, former Chairman of the CAB, concluded his testimony before the committee in connection with its hearings in pursuance of S. Res. 50, to authorize study and investigation of the financial condition and operating efficiency of the air-line industry. His testimony was directed to the ills of the air-line industry, and he proposed suggestions for correction. Hearings continue Monday.

PUBLIC HEALTH NOMINATIONS

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Committee met in executive session and discussed pending legislation, but took no action. It voted to report favorably routine nominations in the Public Health Service.

MINIMUM WAGE—FAIR LABOR STANDARDS

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee concluded hearings on S. 653 (and related bills), to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938, extending its scope and increasing the minimum wage to 75 cents per hour, after hearing the following witnesses express their views on the proposed legislation: Mrs. Gertrude F. Zimand, National Child Labor Committee; Elizabeth Magee, National Consumers League for Fair Labor Standards; James H. Dillon, Construction Men's Association, Inc.; Elizabeth Wickenden, American Public Welfare Association; Harley Langdale, American Turpentine Farmers Association; and Paul Hutchings, Office Employees' International Union, AFL.

POSTAL RATES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Subcommittee concluded hearings on S. 1103, to readjust postal rates, after receiving testimony in opposition to the bill from the following witnesses: Col. W. T. Chevalier, Associated Business Papers, McGraw Publishing Co.; Walter Fuller, president, Curtis Publishing Co., Philadelphia; Ed N. Mayer, Jr., Direct Mailing Advertising Associates, New York; J. M. George, National Association of Direct Selling, Winona, Minn.; Paul C. Tully, Washington, D. C.; Frank Frazier, Direct Mail Advertising Association, New York; John I. Crawley, William H. Wise Co., New York; James L. Wilmeth national council, Junior Order United American Mechanics, Philadelphia; Philip G. Rettig, National Society for Crippled Children, Chicago; Edwin H. Gervens, Albert M. Isard, and Jean Thiessen, all of Printing Industry, Chicago; and Clyde T. Ellis, National REA Association, Washington.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House is in recess this week. Its next meeting will be on Monday, April 25, at 12 o'clock noon.

Committee Meetings

NAVAJO-HOPI INDIANS

Committee on Public Lands: The Subcommittee on Indian Affairs resumed open hearings on H. R. 3476, the Navajo-Hopi Indian rehabilitation program. The following witnesses testified in favor of the proposed legislation: Mrs. Lucy Adams; Dr. Henry W. Kassel; Bill Lippincott; Will Rogers, Jr.; and David Whatley. Adjourned subject to the call of the Chair.

SOCIAL SECURITY

Committee on Ways and Means: Today's witnesses at the hearings on H. R. 2893, amending title II of the Social Security Act relative to old-age and survivors insurance, were J. E. Whittet, chairman, social-security committee, Wisconsin State Chamber of Commerce; Arthur R. Kaiser, chief, taxation division, Sears, Roebuck & Co.; Alvah W. Severson, secretary, Federal and State Inspectors Association of America, Trenton, N. J.; Mrs. Cecilia C. Van Hollen and Mrs. Sidney Hollander, Jr., both of Baltimore, Md.; A. P. Miller and F. S. Bennett, both of the Aluminum Cooking Utensil Co., New Kensington, Pa.; Dr. Gertrude C. Bussey, representing the Women's International League for Peace and Freedom; Mrs. Ruth Crawford, Miss Velma T. McEwen, and Miss Lucille Lewis, interested in extension of coverage to domestics; Representative Mack, of Washington; Dr. Oscar C. Pogge, Director, Bureau Old-Age and Survivors Insurance, Social Security Administration; and Mrs. B. B. Sapp, director, Texas Teachers' Retirement System. Hearings will be continued on Monday.

Joint Committee Meetings

LEGISLATIVE BUDGET

Legislative Budget Committee: The chairmen of the four standing committees (House and Senate Appropriations, House Ways and Means, and Senate Finance), composing the Legislative Budget Committee, held an informal session to discuss the legislative budget. The committee adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

Monday, April 25, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed Commodity Credit bill.

Senate Judiciary Committee reported bills on pricing practices, U. S. Code, detention of insane, and private claims.

House adjourned out of respect to Representative Coffey.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 4952–4964

Bills Introduced: Sixteen bills and four resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1679 to S. 1694; S. J. Res. 82; S. Con. Res. 31 and 32; and S. Res. 112.

Pages 4955–4957

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 276, to authorize rehabilitation of certain works of Fort Sumner irrigation district in New Mexico (S. Rept. 286);

The following private bills: S. 623, 1266, S. Con. Res. 31, 32, S. Res. 112, H. R. 1467, 1468, 1489, 1983, 2231, 2710, 2935, S. 1152, 113, and 322 (S. Repts. 287 to 301, respectively); and

S. 934, relative to care and detention of persons of unsound mind in certain Federal reservations in Virginia and Maryland, with amendments (S. Rept. 302).

Pages 4955–4957

Private Bills: Senate agreed to conference on H. R. 1271 and H. R. 1169, private bills, and appointed as conferees on both bills Senators McCarran, O'Conor, and Wiley.

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CCC Charter: By voice vote Senate passed S. 900, to amend comprehensively the CCC charter, after taking the following action by voice vote on amendments: Adopted committee amendments as reported, except one, which was amended by Butler amendment prohibiting CCC from acquiring additional refrigeration facilities. Other amendments adopted were those by Senator Anderson providing that CCC shall acquire real property for storage facilities only when privately owned facilities are inadequate; by Senator Thomas of Oklahoma to increase Board of Directors of CCC to seven members; by Senator Williams to strike out section 1 of the bill regarding supervision and direction of CCC by Secretary of Agriculture; and by Senator Anderson authorizing CCC to exchange farm products for strategic and critical materials produced abroad, after rejecting Gurney amendment thereto limiting reimbursement to CCC for such transfers.

Pages 4964–4993

School Health: S. 1411, school-health-services bill, was made the unfinished business. Page 4993

Confirmations: The nomination of Byron B. Harlan to be judge of the U. S. Tax Court, together with 86 routine Public Health Service nominations, were confirmed. Page 5002

Committee Meetings

AGRICULTURE APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Continuing hearings on H. R. 3997, Agriculture appropriations for 1950, subcommittee received testimony from the following witnesses in support of proposed appropriations for the Forest Service: Senators Anderson, Humphrey, Murray, and Watkins; Representatives Horan, Potter, Staggers, and Bailey; L. E. Sawyer, Indiana Coal Producers Association; Dr. Lytle S. Adams, International Pellet Seed Co.; J. R. Mays, Jr., Memphis; Paul W. Schoen and group, Forest Farmers Association; Anthony Smith, CIO; Sigurd F. Olson, Izaak Walton League; William E. Cooper, Virginia Forest, Inc.; and James J. McKitterick, Ohio. Senator Chapman discussed tobacco insects, and Senator Smith of Maine the spruce budworm. Hearings continue tomorrow.

NATIONAL SECURITY ACT—DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Committee on Armed Services: Committee met again in executive session to continue its work on drafting for reporting S. 1269, to convert the National Military Establishment into an executive department to be known as the Department of Defense, and to establish the responsibility and authority of the Secretary of Defense (National Security Act amendments of 1949). It did not conclude and will meet again Thursday.

IRRIGATION PROJECTS

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: In executive session, the committee voted to report, with amendment, S. 55, to authorize completion of construction and development of Eden project in Wyoming; and, without amendment, S. 1477, omnibus bill to approve repayment contracts negotiated with six irrigation districts in Wyoming, Colorado, Oregon, Montana, and Washington.

AIR-LINE INDUSTRY

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Committee continued its hearings in pursuance of S. Res. 50, to authorize study and investigation of the financial condition and operating efficiency of the air-line industry, receiving testimony from J. Weldon Jones, Assistant Director of Bureau of Budget, and Landon Marvin on the financial conditions of the air-line industry. Hearings continue Tuesday.

PRICING PRACTICES, U. S. CODE, INSANE, PRIVATE BILLS AND NOMINATION

Committee on the Judiciary: In executive session, committee agreed to report the following bills: with amendments, S. 1008, to confirm right of individual companies to use certain pricing practices during a specified period (until July 1, 1950) for purpose of engaging in competition in good faith; H. R. 3762, to amend titles 18 and 28 of U. S. Code on criminal and judicial procedure; and S. 934, relative to care and detention of persons of unsound mind in certain Federal reservations in Virginia and Maryland.

It was agreed to introduce and report 2 original concurrent resolutions on deportation referral cases.

Twelve private bills were ordered reported: S. 113, 322, 623, 1152, 1266, H. R. 1467, 1468, 1489, 1983, 2231, 2710, and 2935. It was agreed that a simple resolution be introduced and reported to authorize the referral of S. 411, private bill, to the Court of Claims.

The nomination of Vernon P. Burns to be U. S. marshal for the southern district of Alabama was favorably reported.

RURAL ROADS

Committee on Public Works: Continuing hearings on S. 244 and S. 1471, to authorize regular appropriations for the construction of rural local roads, the Subcommittee on Roads heard the following witnesses testify in support of the bills: Senators Maybank, Young, and Johnston; J. T. Sanders, National Grange; Roger Fleming and Ransom Aldrich, both of American Farm Bureau Federation; Clyde Bonar, president, West Virginia Farm Bureau; D. C. Bishop, South Carolina; L. C. Boone, secretary, South Carolina Association of County Road Officials; and Daniel A. Bailey, Department of Highways, Pennsylvania. Hearings continue tomorrow.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Twenty-three public bills, H. R. 4312–4334; eleven private bills, H. R. 4335–4345; and four resolutions, H. J. Res. 227 and 228, and H. Res. 192 and 193, were introduced. Pages 5010, 5012

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows: Thirteen private bills, S. 749, H. R. 716, 717, 746, 1096, 1123, 1125, 1136, 1295, 1592, 1981, 3017, and 4138 (H. Repts. 460–472, respectively). Pages 5011–5012

Health Program: House received a message from the President in which he recommended a comprehensive national health-insurance program. The message was referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union and ordered printed as a document (S. Doc. 59). Page 5003

Veto Message: Heard message from the President, who returned without his approval the following four private bills: H. R. 572, 581, 594, and 1036.

Pages 5004–5005

Condolence Resolution: Adopted H. Res. 192, providing for expressions of sympathy to the family of Representative Coffey. Pages 5010–5011

Eulogy: Numerous Members eulogized the late Representative Coffey, of Pennsylvania. Pages 5005–5010

Committee Meetings

NATIONAL FARM PROGRAM

Committee on Agriculture: Charles F. Brannan, Secretary of Agriculture, presented a supplementary statement in regard to farm income and price-support recommendations, made by him before a joint meeting of the House and Senate Committees on Agriculture on April 7. His statement today dealt with three questions deemed by him to be the objects of the widest public interest, namely, the cost question; how the proposed program would operate; and the degree of Government control involved. The Secretary was questioned at length by the committee on various phases of his discussion. He will resume on this subject at tomorrow morning's meeting.

HOUSING

Committee on Banking and Currency: Today's witnesses at the hearings on H. R. 4009, the Housing Act of 1949, were Joseph A. Clorety, Jr., National vice chairman, American Veterans' Committee; Charles Foster, assistant director of legislation, Disabled American Veterans; Arthur Aronson, representing the Jewish War Veterans of the United States; Bernard E. Shufelt, president, Paralyzed Veterans of America, and Russell A. Carlisle of the same organization; and John J. Gillespie, chairman, United Veterans Council Housing Committee, Youngstown, Ohio. All testified in favor of the bill, the paralyzed veterans organization urging special consideration, with respect to construction, for their group. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

NATURAL GAS ACT

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Heard testimony of Nelson Lee Smith, Chairman, and Leland Olds, member, both of the Federal Power Commission, at hearings on H. R. 79 and 1758, bills amending the Natural Gas Act relative to making the act applicable to the transportation of natural gas in interstate commerce, the sale in interstate commerce of natural gas for subsequent resale to domestic and commercial users, and to companies engaged in the transportation or sale of natural gas. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

MINE INCENTIVE PAYMENTS

Committee on Public Lands: The Subcommittee on Mines and Mining considered proposed amendments to H. R. 976, and related bills, creating within the Department of the Interior a Mine Incentive Payments Division. Will continue on same subject tomorrow morning.

AMERICAN SLAV CONGRESS—UEW

Committee on Un-American Activities: Held executive meeting on inquiry into communistic activities in the American Slav Congress and the CIO United Electrical Workers Union. These investigations will continue at tomorrow morning's meeting.

SOCIAL SECURITY

Committee on Ways and Means: Continued with hearings on H. R. 2893, amending title II of the Social Security Act, relative to old-age and survivors insurance. Testifying today were J. Douglas Brown, dean of the faculty, Princeton University, and member of Advisory Council on Social Security; M. W. Zucker, manager, social-security bureau, Commerce and Industry Association of New York, Inc.; Miss Mary Donlon, chairman, New York State Compensation Board; and R. K. Argo, Alabama Mills, Inc., Birmingham, Ala. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

Tuesday, April 26, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate debated Labor-FSA appropriations.
House debated repeal of Taft-Hartley Act.
Postal and civil-service retirement bills acted on by Senate group.
House committee opened hearings on river-and-harbor project authorizations.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 5014–5025

Bills Introduced: Eleven bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 1695 to S. 1705; and S. Con. Res. 33. Pages 5020–5021

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. R. 3762, to amend titles 18 and 28 of U. S. Code, on criminal and judicial procedure, with amendments (S. Rept. 303);

S. 1704, to strengthen and improve the organization of the State Department (S. Rept. 304); and

Minority views on H. R. 3704, D. C. sales tax (part II of S. Rept. 260). Pages 5020–5021

Bill Rereferred: Committee on Armed Services was discharged from further consideration of S. 1489, review of report on Interoceanic Canal across Nicaragua, and it was rereferred to the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce. Page 5021

Labor-FSA Appropriations: Senate continued work on H. R. 3333, Labor-FSA appropriations for 1950, agreeing to numerous committee amendments. The committee amendment prohibiting funds for printing of large-type books for the blind was, by voice vote, stricken out. Pages 5025–5026, 5028–5029, 5043–5052

Washington Gas Light Co.: By unanimous consent the Senate recommitted S. 1418, to amend the act to incorporate the Washington Gas Light Co. Page 5021

Nomination: The nomination of Representative Eberharter to be U. S. district judge for the western district of Pennsylvania was received. Page 5053

Committee Meetings

AGRICULTURE APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee continued hearings on H. R. 3997, Agriculture appropriations for 1950, receiving testimony from the following witnesses in support of funds for the respective objectives to which they directed their testimony: Senator Hickenlooper and Lester King, East Oregon Wheat League, on soil-conservation research; Senator Withers and Representative Teague on soil conservation; Ken Leavitt, National Association of Soil Conservation Districts, on flood control; Ben L. Anderson and Fred C. Babcock, Babcock Florida Co., Robert T. Holden, Fairdale Farms, Inc., Vermont, Morris C. Finklea, Warner, Okla., John M. Deely, National Agriculture Limestone Association, D. W. Aitken, Midwestern Phosphate Corp., Charles M. Howell, St. Joseph, Ark., and Ralph Hedspeth, Russellville, Ark.—all on conservation and use of agricultural resources; Mrs. Stanley G. Cook, Parent-Teachers Associations, Margaret Brennan, Board of Education, Newark, Mrs. G. M. Chatfield, Board of Education, Brooklyn, and Frank W. Taylor, N. W. Horticultural Council—all on school-lunch program; Senators Chapman and Fulbright on market news service; and Representative Pickett on basin programs. Hearings continue tomorrow.

UN PARTICIPATION ACT

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee met in executive session on S. 1037, amendments to the UN Participation Act, to consider for reporting to the Senate a committee draft in lieu of the proposed bill. It did not finish. Committee meets tomorrow on the North Atlantic Pact.

COLORADO RIVER

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Continuing hearings on S. 75, to authorize construction, operation, and maintenance of dams on the Colorado River at Bridge Canyon, together with certain appurtenant dams and canals, and S. J. Res. 4, granting congressional consent to joinder of the U. S. in suit in the U. S. Supreme Court for adjudication of claims to water of the Colorado River system, the committee heard V. E. Larson, assistant regional planning engineer for region 3, Bureau of Reclamation, and E. G. Nielsen, also of the Bureau of Reclamation, outline results of the investigations of the central Arizona project by the Bureau. W. W. Lane, consulting engineer from Phoenix, Ariz., appeared to present data with respect to the irrigation development in central Arizona, and its needs for an additional supply of water in that area, and concluded that without "additional water from the Colorado River, being the only remaining source and found feasible by the report of the Bureau of Reclamation on the central Arizona project, and to which Arizona is justly entitled, the entire economy of the area must be seriously affected, and to the detriment of the national economy." J. H. Moeur, special attorney for Arizona Interstate Streams Commission, gave a summary of a portion of the hearings before a subcommittee of the Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs on S. J. Res. 145 of the Eightieth Congress, a similar resolution to S. J. Res. 4 of the Eighty-first Congress.

AIR-LINE INDUSTRY

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Former Representative Robert Ramspeck, executive vice president of the Air Transport Association, appeared before the committee to present reasons for ills of the air-line industry in connection with its hearings in pursuance of S. Res. 50, to authorize study and investigation of the financial condition and operating efficiency of the air-line industry. Committee meets on this subject again next Friday. Committee meets tomorrow on calendar business.

CIVIL-SERVICE RETIREMENT, STAMPS, AND NOMINATIONS

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: In executive session the committee took the following actions:

Voted to report favorably 20 postmastership nominations in States of Delaware, Illinois, Pennsylvania, Washington, and Wisconsin, and appointed a special subcommittee consisting of Senators McKellar, Langer, and Johnston to consider protests filed in connection with certain postmaster nominations in Ohio and Wisconsin.

Committee adopted a resolution on commemorative stamps to the effect that it will not consider the 35 resolutions and bills now pending before the committee to authorize issuance of certain commemorative stamps nor any other bills which might be introduced in the Eighty-first Congress, since the Postmaster General has such authority. It was recommended by the committee that not more than 12 such stamps be issued in any one calendar year.

Reports were received from subcommittees on the following bills, each of which the committee voted to report favorably to the Senate: S. 771, providing for renewal of and adjustment of compensation under contracts for carrying mail on water routes; H. R. 20, to authorize the creation of 10 professional and scientific positions in National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics, in lieu of S. 721; S. 878, to provide certain benefits for annuitants who retired under Civil Service Retirement Act of 1930 prior to April 1, 1948, with amendment; and S. 1459, to amend the Civil Service Retirement Act by waiving time limitations in the case of employees whose disabling condition is essentially chronic.

Committee agreed that Subcommittee No. 5 proceed with hearings on pay bills now pending before the committee if the administration's classification bill is not received on or before May 5.

In accordance with the recommendations of various subcommittees, the following bills were indefinitely postponed by the committee: S. 744, to provide certain benefits for annuitants who retired prior to April 1, 1948; S. 793, to repeal the Alaska Railroad Retirement Act of 1936, and to extend the benefits of the Civil Service Retirement Act to employees of the Alaska Railroad; S. 1035, private bill; S. 1081, to repeal the Canal Zone Retirement Act and to extend Civil Service Retirement Act to employees affected by such repeal; and H. R. 1599, private bill.

RAILWAY AND AIR MAIL SERVICE

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: The following three witnesses appeared before the subcommittee to testify in support of S. 1596, to authorize the Postmaster General to enter into special agreements for certain switching service by railway common carriers: Frank Delaney, Solicitor, Arne C. Witrud, Associate Solicitor, and George E. Miller, Deputy Second Assistant Postmaster General, all of the Post Office Department.

Paul Aiken, Second Assistant Postmaster General, testified in support of S. 1597, relating to air star routes.

RURAL ROADS

Committee on Public Works: Subcommittee on Roads, continuing its hearings on S. 244 and S. 1471, to authorize regular appropriations for the construction of rural local roads, received further testimony in support of the bills from the following witnesses: Senator Kilgore; Willis Tobler, Cooperative Milk Producers Federation; Willard S. Manning, National Association of Rural Letter Carriers; R. B. Kremers, National Association of Letter Carriers; John V. Lawrence, American Trucking Association; Thomas G. Walters, Government Employees Association; and Angus MacDonald, National Farmers Union.

Senator Saltonstall generally opposed the provisions of the bills. Hearings continue next Monday.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Seventeen public bills, H. R. 4346–4362; eighteen private bills, H. R. 4363–4380; and three resolutions, H. J. Res. 229, and H. Res. 194 and 195, were introduced. Pages 5086–5087, 5088

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

Five private bills, H. R. 748, 1303, 3458, 3467, and 3497 (H. Repts. 473–477, respectively);

H. R. 2514, to enable the Secretary of Agriculture to make loans to homestead entrymen (H. Rept. 478);

H. R. 3181, to provide for more effective conservation in the arid and semiarid areas of the United States (H. Rept. 479);

H. R. 3717, to repeal act establishing Swan Island Animal Quarantine Station (H. Rept. 480);

H. R. 2906, to provide a 1-year extension of time for disposition of farm labor camps to public or semipublic agencies or nonprofit associations of farmers (H. Rept. 481); and

H. R. 4081, to amend Agricultural Adjustment Act to permit delivery of excess peanuts to agencies designated by Secretary of Agriculture and to define the term "cooperator" with respect to price supports for peanuts (H. Rept. 482). Page 5086

Taft-Hartley Repeal: Adopted, by 369 yeas to 6 nays, H. Res. 191, providing for consideration of, 8 hours of general debate on, and waiving points of order against, H. R. 2032, to repeal the Labor-Management Relations Act of 1947 and to reenact the National Labor Relations Act of 1935. Following this the House proceeded to debate the measure for more than 3 hours before postponing further action until Wednesday. Pages 5055–5086

Committee Meetings

NATIONAL FARM PROGRAM

Committee on Agriculture: Secretary of Agriculture Charles F. Brannan concluded his testimony in regard to farm income and price-support recommendations and answered the committee's questions relative to his statement of April 7 and supplementary statement of yesterday. This subject will be continued at a meeting of the Pace subcommittee tomorrow morning.

HOUSING

Committee on Banking and Currency: Continued hearings on H. R. 4009, the Housing Act of 1949, and heard Representative Jones of Alabama; Malcolm Orchard, editor, Southern Agriculturalist, Nashville, Tenn.; Raymond D. Smith, Bureau of Agricultural Economics; and Dillard B. Lasseter, Administrator, Farmers Home Administration, Department of Agriculture, all of whom testified in favor of title IV of the bill, entitled "Farm Housing."

The following witnesses testified with respect to the public housing and slum-clearance features of the bill: Leslie S. Perry, National Association for the Advancement of Colored People; Elmer W. Henderson, Director, American Council on Human Rights; and Edgar G. Brown, Director, National Negro Council. Hearings on this legislation will be continued tomorrow.

STATE DEPARTMENT

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Secretary of State Dean G. Acheson testified at today's hearing on H. R. 3559, a bill to improve the organization of the State Department. This measure would place specific authority in the Secretary of State to direct, administer, and coordinate the Foreign Service, except where authority is vested in the President, and existing laws would be thus amended. It would also call for the appointment and confirmation of 10 Assistant Secretaries of State. This measure will be considered further tomorrow along with other bills.

NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION—NATURAL GAS ACT

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: The Subcommittee on Public Health, Science, and Commerce concluded its public hearings on National Science Foundation bills. Final witnesses were John W. Anderson, president, National Patent Council, Inc., Gary, Ind.; A. A. Potter, dean of engineering, Purdue University, Lafayette, Ind.; and Dr. Charles E. Waring, chairman, department of chemistry, University of Connecticut, Storrs, Conn.

The Subcommittee on Petroleum and Federal Power heard further testimony from Leland Olds, member of the Federal Power Commission, at its hearings on H. R. 79 and 1758, bills amending the Natural Gas Act relative to making the act applicable to the transportation of natural gas in interstate commerce, etc.

DP's—IMMIGRATION

Committee on the Judiciary: The committee ordered reported favorably to the House five private immigration bills. Also discussed proposed amendment to the Displaced Persons Act of 1948; this subject to be continued on Thursday.

AIR-MAIL SERVICE

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: The Herlong subcommittee approved for reporting to the full committee H. R. 3842, relative to transportation of all classes of mail by aircraft on star routes. Testifying on this legislation were Paul Aiken, Second Assistant Postmaster General; Roy Martin, Under Second Assistant Postmaster General; and D. W. Markham, assistant general counsel, Air Transport Association.

MINE INCENTIVE PAYMENTS

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Mines and Mining, in an executive meeting, approved for reporting to the full committee H. R. 976, creating within the Department of the Interior a Mine Incentive Payments Division.

RIVERS AND HARBORS

Committee on Public Works: Began hearings on river and harbor authorizations for all projects on which the Chief of Engineers has submitted favorable reports since the passage of the River and Harbor Act of July 24, 1946, not included in the River and Harbor Act of June 30, 1948. Maj. Gen. Lewis A. Pick, Chief of Engineers, opened the hearings with a report covering the river and harbor program, authorizations, appropriations, and balance of authorizations, with his recommendations. He was accompanied by Maj. Gen. R. C. Crawford, Assistant Chief of Engineers, and Col. Wayne S. Moore, resident member, Board of Engineers for Rivers and Harbors, and other assistants.

Projects discussed today were Wood Island Harbor, Maine, and Pool at Biddeford, and Scarboro River, Maine. Representative Hale and Robert L. Black spoke on these subjects. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

COMMUNIST ESPIONAGE

Committee on Un-American Activities: Met in executive session on investigation of communistic espionage activity and sabotage planning. The next meeting is scheduled for May 11.

VETERANS' PENSIONS

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Resumed hearings on H. R. 3821, pensions for World War I veterans. Testifying today were Rufus J. Miles, of the Bureau of the Budget, and Alvin David, Chief of Program Planning of the Bureau of Old Age and Survivors Insurance, Social Security Administration. Mr. David will continue his testimony at tomorrow morning's meeting.

SOCIAL SECURITY

Committee on Ways and Means: Held further hearings on H. R. 2893, amending title II of the Social Security Act, relative to old-age and survivors insurance, and heard the following witnesses: Charles Wagner, executive secretary, National Citizens Council for Migrant Labor; Leo Jandreau, vice president, United Electrical, Radio, and Machine Workers of America, New York City; James H. Durkin, president, United Office and Professional Workers of America, New York City; Miss Elizabeth Sasuly, Washington representative of the Food, Tobacco, Agricultural, and Allied Workers Union of America; F. Poche Waguespack, representing the National Association of Real Estate Boards; George W. Beardmore, of Lewiston, Idaho, speaking for the National Lumber Manufacturers Association; Preston B. Kavanagh, National Lumber Manufacturers Association; Rowland Jones, Jr., American Retail Federation; Joseph A. Schafer, CPA, Philadelphia, Pa.; James J. Ewens, Grede Foundries, Inc., Milwaukee, Wis.; A. F. North, treasurer, Allen Bradley Co., Milwaukee, Wis.; and Mrs. Olga S. Ross, executive secretary, National Council of Salesmen's Organizations, Inc., New York City. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

Joint Committee Meetings

ATOMIC ENERGY COMMISSION BUDGET

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Committee met with the following officials of the Atomic Energy Commission to discuss the AEC budget for the fiscal year 1950: Carleton Shugg, Robert F. Bacher, Sumner T Pike, and Lewis L. Strauss.

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HIGHLIGHTS

Senate continued consideration of Labor-FSA appropriations.

House debated repeal of Taft-Hartley Act.

Senate committees opened hearings on North Atlantic Pact and acted on bills on tin, oleo, and various other subjects.

Military-justice bill approved by House committee; hearings concluded on old-age and survivors insurance section of social-security amendments.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 5088–5098

Bills Introduced: Fourteen bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 1706 to S. 1719; and S. J. Res. 83. Pages 5093–5094

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 1008, to confirm right of individual companies to use certain pricing practices during a specified period (until July 1, 1950) for purpose of engaging in competition in good faith, with amendments (S. Rept. 305);

S. 1433, to allow the RFC to sell low-grade tin concentrates to private industry at no greater loss than it would cost the RFC to process it, with amendment (S. Rept. 306);

S. 1477, omnibus bill to approve repayment contracts negotiated with six irrigation districts in Wyoming, Colorado, Oregon, Montana, and Washington (S. Rept. 307); and

S. 55, to authorize completion of construction and development of Eden project in Wyoming, with amendments (S. Rept. 308). Pages 5091–5093

Labor-FSA Appropriations: Senate continued consideration of H. R. 3333, Labor-FSA appropriations for 1950, taking the following action on amendments: Rejected, by 29 yeas to 51 nays, Saltonstall amendment to committee amendment, to reduce appropriations for Railroad Retirement Board by $125,139,000; adopted, by 42 yeas to 34 nays, Magnuson amendment to committee amendment, to increase funds for grants-in-aid to National Cancer Institute by $4,623,000 and to increase authorization for funds for research, training, and new buildings by $10,500,000; adopted, by voice vote, Pepper amendment to committee amendment, to increase funds for grants-in-aid to National Heart Institute by $7,667,000 and to increase authorization for funds for research, training, and new buildings by $8,875,000; and rejected, by 25 yeas to 43 nays, Pepper amendment to committee amendment, to increase funds for Public Health Service for mental health activities by $4,638,000 and to increase authorization for funds for research and training by $3,950,000. All committee amendments were agreed to except for the one providing funds for mental health activities, last referred to, which is still open to further amendment before action on final disposition. Pages 5098–5101, 5104–5129

Nomination: The nomination of George R. Merrell, of Missouri, to be Ambassador to Ethiopia was received. Page 5131

Committee Meetings

CROP PRODUCTION—FATS AND OILS

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Subcommittee began its hearings in pursuance of S. Res. 36, authorizing investigation of matters relating to crop production and utilization, receiving testimony by the following witnesses on fats and oils situation in the U. S.: George L. Prichard, Director of the Fats and Oils Branch, Department of Agriculture, and Carl Wilkin, economic analyst, Raw Materials National Council. Subcommittee meets again Friday.

ARMY CIVIL-FUNCTIONS APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee met in executive session to mark up for reporting to the full committee H. R. 3734, Army civil-functions appropriations for 1950. Subcommittee did not conclude, but adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

AGRICULTURE APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Continuing hearings on H. R. 3997, Agriculture appropriations for 1950, subcommittee received testimony from the following witnesses in support of funds for the respective objectives to which they directed their testimony: Clyde T. Ellis and a group of 12, representing the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association, on REA, soil-conservation research, and Forest Service; Dr. William A. Hagen, dean of Veterinary College, Cornell University, and Walter W. Maule, Mushroom Growers Cooperative Association, on Research and Marketing Act; C. L. Fitch, National Potato and Onion Committee, on horticulture; and David R. C. Smith, Canastota, N. Y., farmer, on onion and potato research. Hearings continue tomorrow.

CODE OF MILITARY JUSTICE

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee heard the following witnesses testify in support of S. 857, to establish a uniform code of military justice: Prof. E. M. Morgan, professor of law, Harvard, and chairman of committee appointed by the Secretary of Defense to study uniform code of military justice, and Felix Larkin, assistant general counsel to the Secretary of Defense, and executive secretary of the same committee.

TIN CONCENTRATES, AND MILITARY AND NAVAL HOUSING

Committee on Banking and Currency: Committee heard Senator Wherry, Secretary of Air Force Symington, and Admiral J. E. Maher testify in support of S. 1184, to encourage construction of rental housing at or in areas adjacent to military and naval installations. Hearings continue tomorrow.

It also ordered reported favorably S. 1433, to allow the RFC to sell low-grade tin concentrates to private industry at no greater loss than it would cost the RFC to process it, with an amendment.

D. C. HEALTH AND SANITATION

Committee on the District of Columbia: Subcommittee met in executive session to discuss health and sanitation problems confronting the District of Columbia.

OLEO AND COLLECTORS OF CUSTOMS

Committee on Finance: By voice vote, the committee approved for reporting H. R. 2023, repeal of oleomargarine tax, after adopting several technical amendments to perfect the language of the bill. Before taking this action, the committee, by voice vote, rejected the Wiley substitute amendment for the bill to lift the tax but prohibit interstate commerce shipments of colored oleo; by vote of 7 to 6, rejected Johnson of Colorado amendment, as amended, to reduce the 1943 wartime excise-tax increases; and by vote of 7 to 6, rejected the Butler amendment to exempt agricultural fairs from admissions tax.

Two proposed amendments by Senator Butler, relative to excise taxes on photographic apparatus and toilet preparations sold in beauty and barber shops, were withdrawn with the understanding that they would be offered to the bill when it is brought up for consideration in the Senate.

The committee also voted to report favorably the following three nominations: Boyce A. Williams to be collector of customs in Tampa, Russell P. Smith to be comptroller of customs in Baltimore, and De Graff Austin to be collector of customs in San Diego.

NORTH ATLANTIC PACT

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee opened hearings today on the North Atlantic Pact with Secretary of State Acheson testifying in support of it. Hearings continue tomorrow.

COLORADO RIVER

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Committee continued hearings on S. 75, to authorize construction, operation, and maintenance of dams on the Colorado River at Bridge Canyon, together with certain appurtenant dams and canals, and S. J. Res. 4, granting congressional consent to joinder of the U. S. in suit in the U. S. Supreme Court for adjudication of claims to water of the Colorado River system, receiving testimony in support of S. 75 and against S. J. Res. 4 from E. B. Debler, consulting engineer for Arizona; O. L. Norman, Salt River Valley Water Users' Association; and Charles A. Carson, chief counsel of Arizona Interstate Streams Commission. They gave their views on the distribution of water and the needs for the central Arizona project. Hearings continue tomorrow.

ELECTRICAL MEASUREMENTS AND COAST GUARD NOMINATIONS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: In executive session, the committee voted to report without amendment S. 441, to redefine the units and establish the standards of electrical and photometric measurements.

Approximately 50 routine nominations in the Coast Guard were voted reported favorably.

DOMESTIC AND WATER TRANSPORTATION

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Special Subcommittee on Domestic and Water Transportation met in executive session for organizational purposes.

HEALTH RESEARCH

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Following an executive meeting of subcommittee, Chairman Murray announced public hearings on bills relating to research in the causes and cure of multiple sclerosis, epilepsy, cerebral palsy, arthritis, and rheumatism, and on a bill to promote research in child life and development. The subcommittee also worked on procedure and timetable for public hearings on health legislation.

The subcommittee's schedule calls for hearings beginning at 10 a. m. on May 3 on S. 102, multiple sclerosis; May 4 on S. 659, epilepsy; May 5 on S. 1538, cerebral palsy; May 9 on S. 705, arthritis and rheumatism; May 10 on S. 1651, general research institutes; and May 11 and 12 on S. 904, child life and development.

Witnesses wishing to testify should advise Committee Clerk Earl B. Wixcey.

PRINTING, STATUE, APPROPRIATIONS, AND POLL TAX

Committee on Rules and Administration: In executive session, the committee voted to report without amendment S. Res. 53, authorizing the printing of the Fifth Semiannual Report of the Atomic Energy Commission as a Senate Document; S. J. Res. 55, to print monthly publication by the Joint Committee on the Economic Report, to be entitled "Economic Indicators"; S. Res. 70, to print 1,000 additional copies of House Document 643 of the Eightieth Congress on Florida flood control; and, with amendment, S. J. Res. 44, to authorize erection of a statue of Leifr Eiriksson in the District of Columbia.

A subcommittee, consisting of Senators Hunt, chairman, Withers, and Lodge, was appointed to study S. Con. Res. 18, to provide for consolidation of all general appropriation bills into one "general consolidated appropriation" measure.

A subcommittee, consisting of Senators Stennis, chairman, Withers, and Wherry, was appointed to study S. 97, making it unlawful to require payment of poll tax as a prerequisite to voting in primary or other election of national officers.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Twenty-eight public bills, H. R. 4381–4408; twelve private bills, H. R. 4409–4420; and four resolutions, H. J. Res. 230, H. Con. Res. 57 and 58, and H. Res. 196, were introduced. Page 5207

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. R. 75, to amend Merchant Marine Act of 1920 to permit transportation of coal to Ogdensburg, N. Y., in foreign vessels (H. Rept. 483);

S. 227, a private bill (H. Rept. 484);

H. R. 1360, to extend time for construction of a bridge across the Rio Grande River at or near Del Rio, Tex. (H. Rept. 485);

H. R. 2282, transfer of title to certain Government-owned facilities for international broadcasting (H. Rept. 486);

H. R. 3341, to authorize attendance of U. S. Marine Band at Fifty-ninth Annual Reunion of Confederate veterans in Little Rock, Ark., Sept. 27–29, 1949 (H. Rept. 487);

H. R. 2566, granting the consent of Congress to the States of Montana, North Dakota, and Wyoming to negotiate a compact for division of the waters of the Yellowstone River (H. Rept. 488);

H. R. 3754, to provide for the temporary deferment in certain unavoidable contingencies of annual assessment work on mining claims held by location in the United States (H. Rept. 489); and

H. R. 4026, relating to the exchange of certain private and Federal properties within the Acadia National Park, Maine (H. Rept. 490). Pages 5206–5207

Taft-Hartley Repeal: After nearly 5 hours of general debate on H. R. 2032, to repeal the Labor-Management Relations Act of 1947 and to reenact the National Labor Relations Act of 1935, the House postponed the reading of the bill for amendments until Thursday.

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Committee Meetings

NATIONAL FARM PROGRAM

Committee on Agriculture: Pace special subcommittee heard the following representatives of the National Farmers Union at today's hearings on the national farm program: James G. Patton, president, who said that the National Farmers Union had taken the position that the support levels guaranteed in the so-called Steagall amendment to the Price Control Act of 1942, must be continued unless something were done to control the rest of the economy. He pointed out that his organization had advocated price control across the board, backed by adequate credit control, for agriculture as well as for everyone else. He also stated that permitting the title II provisions (sliding scale), to go into effect January 1, would mean severe contraction of farm income. Glen Talbott, chairman, executive committee, presented a draft of a bill tendered by the Farmers Union and analyzed each section. Obed Wyum, chairman of the program committee, and Theodore Steed, member of Alabama Farmers Union, endorsed Secretary Brannan's proposals. Hearings will be continued tomorrow morning.

HONEY-BEE INDUSTRY

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee No. 3 held hearings on H. R. 1768 and H. R. 2883, to provide price support for honey, and heard testimony of Representatives Morrison and White of California, authors of the respective measures. Other witnesses included Roy A. Grout, president, American Beekeeping Federation, Hamilton, Ill.; Dr. M. A. McCall, assistant chief, Bureau of Plant Industry; Dr. James Hambleton, Bureau of Entomology and Plant Quarantine; Dr. E. H. Graham, Soil Conservation Service; Mrs. Laura Shephard, assistant secretary, California State Beekeepers Association, Calexico, Calif.; S. R. Smith, Director, Fruit and Vegetable Division, Department of Agriculture; Walter F. Straub, Chicago, Ill.; E. C. Bessonet, Donaldsonville, La., representing American Bee Breeders Association; J. H. Davis, inspector of apiaries, Little Rock, Ark.; Wm. T. Gran, Jr., president, Ohio State Beekeepers Association, Perrysburg, Ohio.; Dr. E. J. Dyce, professor of apiculture, New York State College of Agriculture, Cornell University; and Fred Ritchie, Chief of Program Operations, Agricultural Conservation Branch, Agriculture Department.

The testimony of these witnesses will be made a part of the hearings on the proposed farm program, being conducted by Representative Pace's special subcommittee, when the subject of price supports is reached. An important factor developed in today's discussions was the emphasis placed on fruit and legume pollination, it being pointed out that, in addition to producing honey, bees are a vital factor in pollinating more than 80 percent of our agricultural food and seed crop. Today's meeting concluded hearings on this subject.

MILITARY JUSTICE—CONFEDERATE REUNION

Committee on Armed Services: Ordered the following bills reported favorably to the House:

H. R. 4080, to establish a uniform code of military justice; and

H. R. 3341, attendance of Marine Band at Fifty-ninth Annual Reunion of Confederate Veterans at Little Rock, Ark., September 27–29.

HOUSING

Committee on Banking and Currency: At today's hearings, Richard J. Gray, president, Building Trades Council, AFL; Leo Goodman, director, CIO Housing Committee; and John Edelman, chairman, subcommittee of CIO Legislative Committee on Housing, testified in favor of H. R. 4009, the Housing Act of 1949. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

BRIDGE—BROADCASTING—STATE DEPARTMENT

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Ordered the following bills reported to the House:

H. R. 1360, relative to construction of a free bridge across the Rio Grande at Del Rio, Tex.; and

H. R. 2282, authorizing transfer of certain Government-owned international broadcasting facilities from RFC to State Department.

Further considered H. R. 3559, a bill to improve the organization of the State Department, and heard testimony of John E. Peurifoy, Assistant Secretary of State. Will continue on this measure tomorrow in executive session.

COAL TRANSPORTATION—MERCHANT MARINE

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Ordered H. R. 75 reported to the House with an amendment. This bill would permit the transportation of coal to Ogdensburg, N. Y., in foreign vessels.

Following this executive session, the Subcommittee on Maritime Affairs held open hearings on H. R. 3291, amending the Shipping Act of 1916, to provide for the development of the American merchant marine. Speaking in favor of this bill were Hoyt S. Haddock, executive secretary, CIO Maritime Union; and William Glazier, Washington representative, International Longshoremen's and Warehousemen's Union, CIO, and National Union of Marine Cooks and Stewards, CIO. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

POSTAL RATES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Resumed hearings on H. R. 2945, to increase certain postal rates, and received testimony opposing the bill from George F. McKiernan, president, National Council on Business Mail, Inc., Chicago, Ill., accompanied by Imrie de Vegh, economist, New York City, and Charles A. Bethge, vice president, Alden's Inc., Chicago, Ill. Hearings will be continued Friday, April 29.

YELLOWSTONE RIVER—MINING—MAINE

Committee on Public Lands: Ordered the following bills reported to the House:

H. R. 2566, granting consent of Congress to negotiate for the division of water of Yellowstone River in Montana, North Dakota, and Wyoming;

H. R. 3754, requesting temporary deferment in certain cases on annual assessment work on mining claims, amended; and

H. R. 4026, exchange of lands, Acadia National Park, Maine. Representative Fellows and Conrad L. Wirth, Assistant Director, National Park Service, spoke on behalf of this bill.

CENTRAL ARIZONA PROJECT

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommitte on Irrigation and Reclamation resumed consideration of H. R. 934, a bill authorizing construction and maintenance of a dam and incidental works in the main stream of the Colorado River at Bridge Canyon. V. E. Larson, assistant regional planning engineer, Bureau of Reclamation, Region III, presented factual data compiled by the Bureau concerning the project. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

ALASKA PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Territorial and Insular Possessions held hearings on H. R.

940, to authorize public improvements in Alaska. Delegate Bartlett, of Alaska, and Herbert J. Slaughter, Assistant Solicitor, Department of the Interior, explained provisions of the bill. Assistant Secretary of the Interior William E. Warne spoke in favor of the measure. Mr. Bartlett also introduced the following persons who filed written statements: Joseph M. Morgan, chief of investigations, Alaska office, Bureau of Reclamation; Gov. Ernest W. Gruening, Juneau, Alaska; Lt. Col. Don Wilson, city manager, Anchorage, Alaska; Mayor R. E. Ellis of Ketchikan, Alaska; and Wallace Cathcart of Fairbanks, Alaska. The subcommittee will read the bill for amendments on Friday.

INDIAN BILLS

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Indian Affairs approved for reporting to the full committee S. 392 and S. 716, private bills; H. R. 2432, restoring to tribal ownership certain lands upon the Colville Indian Reservation, Wash., amended; and H. R. 3616, private bill, amended. Considered, but deferred action on, another private bill, H. R. 3884.

Held hearings in the afternoon on H. R. 3765, to promote rehabilitation of Sisseton-Wahpeton Sioux Tribe of Indians, and H. R. 3881, to provide for use of State course of study in schools operated by Bureau of Indian Affairs upon petition therefor. William Zimmerman, Jr., Acting Commissioner, Bureau of Indian Affairs, spoke on both bills. Testifying on H. R. 3765 were Representative Lovre, author of the bill; Abe Crawford, secretary, and Melvin Robinson, chairman, both of Sisseton Tribal Council; and Theodore M. Engdahl, superintendent of the Sisseton agency. Speaking on H. R. 3881 were Representative Case of South Dakota, author of the bill, and Willard W. Beatty, Director, Division of Education, Bureau of Indian Affairs. Further action on these measures will be taken at tomorrow morning's meeting.

RIVERS AND HARBORS

Committee on Public Works: Continued hearings on river and harbor authorizations, with Col. Wayne S. Moore, resident member, Board of Engineers for Rivers and Harbors, discussing the following proposed projects, along with interested witnesses: Mystic River, Mass., Representatives Kennedy and Lane, Mr. Mitchell, secretary to Representative Goodwin, and Nicholas Cefalo, Washington representative, Port of Boston Authority; Winthrop Beach, Mass., shore protection, Representative Lane and Maj. Glen E. Edgerton, president, Beach Erosion Board, Department of the Army; Mattapoisett Harbor, Mass., Representative Nicholson; Stonington Harbor, Conn., Representative Woodhouse; Eightmile River, Conn., Representative Woodhouse; and Sandy Hook Bay, N. J., at Leonardo, Peter J. Gannon, chief, navigation section, division of planning and development, New Jersey Department of Conservation and Economic Development, and Walter J. Schoellner, vessel operator. Col. Moore also spoke on the following three New York projects: Fire Island Inlet, East Chester Creek, and Jamaica Bay (Mott Basin). Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

VETERANS' PENSIONS

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Alvin M. David, Social Security Administration, completed his testimony at today's hearings on H. R. 3821, pensions for veterans of World War I. Mr. David is Chief of Program Planning of the Bureau of Old-Age and Survivors Insurance in that agency. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

SOCIAL SECURITY

Committee on Ways and Means: Concluded public hearings on H. R. 2893, amending title II of the Social Security Act, relative to old-age and survivors insurance. Final witnesses to testify were Representatives Keating and Teague; Wallace E. Campbell, vice president, Fuller Brush Co., Hartford, Conn.; J. M. George, representing the National Association of Direct Selling Companies, Winona, Minn.; Philip Adler, Jr., president, American Hosiery Mills, Indianapolis, Ind.; Marshall Wiley, Mason Shoe Co., Chippewa Falls, Wis.; E. J. Sievers, vice president, J. R. Watkins Co., Winona, Minn.; L. B. Whitehouse, vice president, Morton Manufacturing Corp., Lynchburg, Va.; Harry W. Minchin, managing editor, Specialty Salesman Magazine, Chicago, Ill; Leonard J. Calhoun, attorney, Washington, D. C.; Mortimer M. Lerner, executive director, National Association of Subscription Agencies, Inc., New York City; Jessie Bay Robinson, representing the Magazine Association, New York City; L. M. Evans, representing the National Small Business Men's Association; Dr. Robert B. Irwin, executive director, American Foundation for the Blind; and Thomas B. Keehn, legislative secretary, Council for Social Action of the Congregational Christian Churches.

Thursday, April 28, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate voted to recommit Labor–FSA appropriations.
House worked on repeal of Taft-Hartley Act.
House committee concluded public hearings on World War II veterans' pensions bill.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 5209–5213

Bills Introduced: Thirteen bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 1720 to S. 1732; and S. Res. 113. Page 5211

Reports: Reports were made as follows:
H. R. 2023, repeal of oleomargarine tax, with amendments (S. Rept. 309).
Minority views of the Joint Committee on the President's Economic Report (pt. II of S. Rept. 88).
Pages 5211, 5235–5237

President's Message: Message was received from the President requesting that Congress authorize U. S. to accept membership in the International Trade Organization. Pages 5234–5235

Labor-FSA Appropriations: By vote of 44 yeas to 37 nays, Senate adopted Taft motion to recommit with instructions H. R. 3333, Labor-FSA appropriations for 1950. This action in effect nullifies all prior action taken by the Senate on the bill.

The instructions provide that the bill is to be reported back with reductions equivalent to those provided in the Bridges-Ferguson amendment described below.

Prior to recommittal, the following action was taken on amendments: Adopted by voice vote remaining committee amendment; adopted by voice vote amendment by Senator Johnston of South Carolina to increase funds for Public Health Service by $1.2 million for operation of venereal disease treatment centers; and by vote of 45 yeas to 35 nays, rejected Bridges-Ferguson motion to suspend the rules and adopt amendment directing Secretary of Labor and FSA Administrator to make such reductions in expenditures as will aggregate at least 5 percent of the total amounts appropriated.
Pages 5213–5234

Confirmations: Senate confirmed 1 Marine Corps and 349 Army nominations. Page 5251

Nominations: A total of 1,665 nominations were received, including 1 Army, 589 Navy, 1,072 postmasters, and 3 civilians as follows: Maj. Gen. Philip Fleming, to be member of U. S. Maritime Commission; Jess Larson, to be Federal Works Administrator; and Rear Adm. Paul L. Mather, to be War Assets Administrator.
Pages 5241–5251

Committee Meetings

AGRICULTURE APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee concluded hearings on H. R. 3997, Agriculture appropriations for 1950, receiving testimony from the following witnesses in support of funds for the respective objectives to which they directed their testimony: J. D. Wilson, Wyoming Wool Growers Association, on Research and Marketing Act; Robert Jackson, National Cotton Council, on Bureau of Agricultural Economics, Bureau of Entomology and Plant Quarantine, and Bureau of Plant Industry; Fritz Lanham, Trinity Improvement Association, on soil conservation; Charles I. Stengle, American Federation of Government Employees, on meat inspection; and Robert Roland, American Florists Association, on horticulture.

AIRCRAFT CARRIER, NATIONAL SECURITY ACT, AND NOMINATIONS

Committee on Armed Services: In executive session, the committee considered the action of the Secretary of Defense in canceling construction of the aircraft carrier U. S. S. *United States,* and the resignation of Secretary of Navy Sullivan, and were unanimous in reaching a conclusion that for the present no hearing or investigation of either incident would be taken.

The committee also continued its work on drafting for reporting S. 1269, to convert the National Military Establishment into an executive department to be known as the Department of Defense, and to establish the responsibility and authority of the Secretary of Defense (National Security Act amendments of 1949.) It did not conclude its work but will meet again at a later date.

A total of 350 nominations in the Marine Corps and Army were voted reported favorably.

MILITARY AND NAVAL HOUSING

Committee on Banking and Currency: Committee continued hearings on S. 1184, to encourage construction of rental housing at or in areas adjacent to military and naval installations, receiving testimony in support of the bill from Gen. Muir S. Fairchild, Vice Chief of Staff, U. S. Air Force, and Maj. Gen. W. O. Reeder, General Staff of the Army. Raymond M. Foley, Administrator of Housing and Home Finance Agency, and Franklin D. Richards, Commissioner of FHA, felt they could not support the bill unless certain amendments were added.

D. C. BARBERS AND WEEDS

Committee on the District of Columbia: Subcommittee voted to report without amendment to the full committee S. 885, to provide for removal of weeds from lands in the District of Columbia. It also considered but deferred final action on S. 941, to amend the D. C. Barber Act relative to the time barber shops shall be open for business.

NORTH ATLANTIC PACT

Committee on Foreign Relations: Warren R. Austin, U. S. Mission to the UN, and Secretary of Defense Johnson appeared before the committee to testify in support of the North Atlantic pact. Hearings continue tomorrow.

COLORADO RIVER

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Continuing its hearings on the central Arizona project, the committee heard Senator Hayden testify in support of S. 75, to authorize construction, operation, and maintenance of dams on the Colorado River at Bridge Canyon, together with certain appurtenant dams and canals. Charles A. Carson, chief counsel of the Arizona Interstate Streams Commission, concluded his testimony in support of the measure. In an afternoon session on the same bill, V. E. Larson, assistant regional planning engineer for region 3, Bureau of Reclamation, appeared to be questioned by the committee on the Bureau's investigation of the central Arizona project. Hearings continue on this bill on Saturday. Committee meets tomorrow on S. 1448, Arkansas River compact.

ALASKAN PUBLIC WORKS

Committee on Public Works: Delegate Bartlett of Alaska presented the following witnesses who testified before the subcommittee in support of S. 855, to authorize useful public works for the development of Alaska: Dr. C. Earl Albrecht, commissioner of health for Alaska; Dr. James C. Ryan, commissioner of education for Alaska; Robert E. Ellis, mayor of Ketchikan; Waino Hendrickson, mayor of Juneau; and Donald R. Wilson, city manager, Anchorage. Subcommittee adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Seventeen public bills, H. R. 4421–4437; four private bills, H. R. 4438–4441; and one resolution, H. Res. 197, were introduced. Page 5286

Bill Reported: One report was made as follows: H. R. 4080, to establish a uniform code of military justice (H. Rept. 491). Page 5286

Taft-Hartley Repeal: Continued to consider H. R. 2032, to repeal the Labor-Management Relations Act of 1947 and to reenact the National Labor Relations Act of 1935. When the House adjourned, there was pending an amendment, offered by Mr. Wood, which would substitute H. R. 4290 (the so-called Wood bill) for the provisions of H. R. 2032. Also pending was an amendment by Mr. Ford, to the substitute, to allow people on strike to participate in elections if their positions had not been validly filled by permanent replacements for 6 months. Pages 5257–5284

Irrigation: Passed H. R. 4152, to approve certain amendatory contracts relative to water users for irrigation purposes. Pages 5284–5285

Committee Meetings

NATIONAL FARM PROGRAM

Committee on Agriculture: Pace special subcommittee on price supports and national farm program heard the following officials of the American Farm Bureau Federation who spoke in opposition to the proposed farm program: Allan B. Kline, president; Hassil Schenck, president, Indiana Farm Bureau Federation; Walter Randolph, president, Alabama Farm Bureau Federation; George Wilson, California Farm Bureau Federation; and Wilson Heaps, president, Maryland Farm Bureau. Mr. Kline stated that the Farm Bureau favored the Aiken bill with its flexible price supports, and offered a series of recommendations among which were an amendment to permit cotton producers to vote on marketing quotas whenever supply is normal or above, and the price is 90 percent or less of parity; establish mandatory acreage allotments on all basic crops prior to announcement of marketing quotas; legislative authority to establish acreage allotments and marketing quotas on nonbasic commodities; and extension of Agricultural Marketing Agreements Act of 1937 to all

commodities where feasible. Hearings will be resumed on Saturday.

PAY BILL—ARMORY CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee No. 2 heard representatives from the Army, Navy, and Air Force at the hearings on H. R. 2553, armed services pay bill.

Subcommittee No. 3 held executive discussions on armory-construction legislation.

HOUSING

Committee on Banking and Currency: Heard testimony of Lawrence M. Cox, president of the National Association of Housing Officials, Norfolk, Va., at its hearings on H. R. 4009, the Housing Act of 1949, who endorsed titles I and II, relating to slum clearance, community development, and low-rent public housing as being practical and workable from an operating standpoint. Hearings will be continued on Monday.

FEPC

Committee on Education and Labor: Announced that the Powell subcommittee would hold hearings on H. R. 21, and related bills, to be known as the National Act Against Discrimination in Employment, on May 3, 4, and 5, May 10–13, inclusive, and May 17–20, inclusive.

GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Subcommittee on Government Operations held an executive meeting. Will resume subject to the call of the Chair.

STATE DEPARTMENT

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Assistant Secretary of State John E. Peurifoy completed his testimony at today's executive hearings on H. R. 3559, to improve the organization of the State Department. The committee also heard testimony of C. V. Ravndal, Director General, Foreign Service. He will continue his statement at Monday's hearing.

EXPORT LABELING

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: The Subcommittee on Securities and Exchange Commission, Federal Communications Commission, and Federal Trade Commission resumed hearings on H. R. 562, amending the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act, regarding labeling of goods for export. Today's witnesses were Dr. Paul B. Dunbar, Commissioner, Food and Drug Administration, FSA; H. Thomas Austern, counsel, National Canners Association; and Charles Wesley Dunn, New York City, representing the Grocery Manufacturers Association.

DISPLACED PERSONS

Committee on the Judiciary: Discussed proposed amendments to the Displaced Persons Act of 1948. Adjourned until Tuesday, May 3, at 10 a. m.

MERCHANT MARINE

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Subcommittee on Maritime Affairs continued hearings on H. R. 3291, amending the Shipping Act of 1916, to provide for the development of the American merchant marine. Testifying on this legislation were Grenville Mellen, Acting Chairman, and Commissioner Raymond McKeough, both of the U. S. Maritime Commission; Nicholas Kalondis, Federation of Greek Maritime Unions, New York; and Dale L. Coy, representing the Lake Carriers Association, Cleveland, Ohio. Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

COTTON STATISTICS

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: The Williams subcommittee heard the following witnesses on H. R. 3444, providing for the collection and publication of cotton statistics: A. Ross Eckler, Department Director, Bureau of the Census, accompanied by Howard Grieves, Assistant Director, and Ray Hurley, Chief Agricultural Division; and Raymond Steinbach, market research division, National Cotton Council of America.

INDIANS

Committee on Public Lands: The Subcommittee on Indian Affairs approved the following bills for reporting to the full committee: H. R. 3881, to provide for use of State course of studies in schools operated by Bureau of Indian Affairs upon petition therefor; H. R. 3886, a private bill; and H. R. 2170, re competency of Crow Indian children as tribe members. All bills were amended. The group also considered, but took no action on, H. R. 1537, to subject Indians to certain State laws for crimes committed; H. R. 2735, to repeal liquor laws in Wisconsin, regarding Indians; and H. R. 2736, to subject Indians and reservations to Wisconsin State laws. Representative O'Konski spoke on behalf of the bills; William Zimmerman, Jr., favored all but H. R. 2170. The following appeared against H. R. 1537: Rev. Emory Kocsis, Mrs. L. G. Stillman, Rev. Glenn B. Coykindall, and Chief Alton Guan, Tuscarora Tribe. The subcommittee adjourned until 9 a. m. tomorrow.

CENTRAL ARIZONA PROJECT

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation continued hearings on H. R. 934, authorizing construction and maintenance of a dam and incidental works in the main stream of the Colorado River at Bridge Canyon. V. E. Larson, assistant regional planning engineer, Bureau of Reclamation,

region III, offered further testimony regarding data prepared by the Bureau on this project. Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

RIVERS AND HARBORS

Committee on Public Works: Discussed river and harbor authorizations and heard Col. Wayne S. Moore, resident member, Board of Engineers for Rivers and Harbors, and Representative Sasscer on the following projects: Lake Ogleton and Walnut Lake, Hellens Creek, Governors Run, St. Patricks Creek, all in Maryland; and Potomac River (water chestnuts), Washington, D. C. Colonel Moore also spoke on Rappahannock River, Bowlers Wharf, Va. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

VETERANS' PENSIONS

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Concluded public hearings on H. R. 3821, to provide pensions for veterans of World War I, and heard testimony of the following officials of the Veterans' Administration: Guy H. Birdsall, Assistant Administrator for Legislation; Howard Bernstien of the Legislative Office; and Dr. William E. Dyees, claims service statistician. It was agreed that executive sessions would be held on the bill after hearings had been printed.

SOCIAL SECURITY

Committee on Ways and Means: Announced that on or about May 5 executive sessions would begin for the purpose of discussing amendments to the social security bill.

Joint Committee Meetings

FIRST DEFICIENCY APPROPRIATIONS

Conferees on H. R. 2632, first deficiency appropriations for 1949, met again in executive session but were unable to reach complete compromise on the differences between the House- and Senate-passed versions of the bill. Adjourned subject to call of the chair.

Friday, April 29, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed bills on school health and irrigation projects, and began consideration of Federal aid to education.

House worked on repeal of Taft-Hartley Act.

Senate groups voted to report bills on Treasury-Post Office appropriations and sale of public housing projects.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 5287–5301

Bills Introduced: Fourteen bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 1733 to S. 1746; and S. J. Res. 84. Page 5291

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. R. 3083, Treasury-Post Office appropriations for 1950, with amendments (S. Rept. 310);

S. 441, to redefine the units and establish the standards of electrical and photometric measurements (S. Rept. 311); and

H. R. 2440, to authorize sale of suburban resettlement projects known as Greenbelt, Md.; Greendale, Wis.; and Greenhills, Ohio, with amendment (S. Rept. 312). Page 5291

School Health: By voice vote, Senate passed S. 1411, to assist States to make more adequate provision for the health of school children, after adopting, by voice vote, the following amendments: Hill amendment regarding exclusion of children from health program because of religious scruples; and two Saltonstall amendments, one to permit school health service to develop qualified medical personnel, and the other to permit services of family physician to be utilized. Pages 5301–5309

Irrigation Projects: Senate passed without amendment and cleared for the President H. R. 4152, omnibus bill to approve repayment contracts negotiated with six irrigation districts in Wyoming, Colorado, Oregon, Montana, and Washington, immediately following its placement on the calendar. S. 1477, a similar Senate bill, was indefinitely postponed. Page 5314

Federal Aid to Education: Senate began consideration of S. 246, Federal aid to education. All committee amendments were adopted and the Lodge amendment providing a formula for apportionment of funds for distribution among the States was pending question at recess. Pages 5314–5329, 5133–5333

Confirmations: Twenty-three civilian and sixty-five Coast Guard nominations were confirmed. Pages 5333–5334

Committee Meetings

CROP PRODUCTION—FATS AND OILS

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Continuing its hearings in pursuance of S. Res. 36, authorizing investigation of matters relating to crop production and utilization, subcommittee heard George L. Prichard, Director of Fats and Oils Branch, Department of Agriculture, discuss the supply and demand of tung oil. L. Blaine Liljenquist, Washington representative of the Western States Meat Packers Association, testified on the over-all fats-and-oils situation. Subcommittee adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

TREASURY-POST OFFICE APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: In executive session, committee voted to report with amendments H. R. 3083, Treasury-Post Office appropriations for 1950. As approved by the committee for reporting, the bill would appropriate $3,113,068,503, an increase of $40,250,600 over the House-passed version of the bill. As the bill passed the House, it proposed to appropriate $3,072,817,903. The regular and supplemental estimates on which these appropriations are based total $3,176,266,750.

Of the total $3,113,068,503 approved by the Senate committee, $1,045,184,403 is proposed for the Treasury, and $2,067,884,100 is proposed for the Post Office. The Senate committee proposes to increase funds for the Treasury by $17,576,000 over the amount approved by the House, and $22,674,600 over the amount approved by the House for the Post Office.

ARMY CIVIL-FUNCTIONS APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee continued in executive session to mark up for reporting to the full committee H. R. 3734, Army civil-functions appropriations for 1950. Subcommittee did not conclude, but will continue its work on May 2.

BATTLE OF BULGE—MILITARY TRIALS

Committee on Armed Services: Continuing hearings on S. Res. 42, to investigate military trials of persons who massacred American soldiers in the Battle of the Bulge, subcommittee received testimony from the following witnesses on the general background of the military trials of the massacre at Malmedy: James J. Bailey, court reporter at the Malmedy trials, and Judge Gordon Simpson, senior member of the Simpson Commission investigating the trials. Hearings continue May 2.

PUBLIC HOUSING PROJECTS

Committee on Banking and Currency: Committee voted to report favorably with amendments H. R. 2440, to authorize sale of suburban resettlement projects known as Greenbelt, Md.; Greendale, Wis.; and Greenhills, Ohio, without regard to provisions of law requiring competitive bidding or public advertising. Prior to this action, the subcommittee had met and agreed to report the bill to the full committee with amendments, which recommendations the full committee approved.

FEDERAL PROPERTY DISPOSAL

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Committee met in executive session to consider S. 990, to reorganize and simplify the procurement, utilization, and disposal of Government property, and suggested amendments, but took no action. Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

The bill is being redrafted in accordance with amendments suggested by the Bureau of the Budget to conform with recommendations of the Commission on Organization of the Executive Branch of the Government regarding general services.

Committee voted to report favorably the nomination of Rear Adm. Paul L. Mather to be War Assets Administrator.

NORTH ATLANTIC PACT

Committee on Foreign Relations: W. Averell Harriman, United States special representative in Europe, appeared before the committee to testify in support of the North Atlantic Pact. Hearings continue May 2.

ARKANSAS RIVER COMPACT

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Committee held hearings on S. 1448, to grant the consent of the U. S. to the Arkansas River compact, with the following witnesses expressing their views on the bill: Gen. Hans Kramer, Federal representative and chairman, Henry C. Vidal, and Gail L. Ireland, member—all of the Arkansas River Compact Commission; Judge Clifford Stone, director and secretary of the Colorado Water Conservation Board; and George S. Knapp, Kansas Department of Water Resources.

INDIANS

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Subcommittee heard Abraham Crawford and Melvin Robertson, representing the Sisseton-Wahpeton Indians, testifying in support of S. 1383, to rehabilitate the Sisseton-Wahpeton Sioux Indians.

Martin Cross, Martin Fox, and John Bad Brave, all of Fort Berthold Reservation, testified in opposition to S. J. Res. 11, purchase of certain Indian lands from Fort Berthold Reservation.

AIR-LINE INDUSTRY

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Former Representative Robert Ramspeck, executive vice president of Air Transport Association, concluded his testimony on the reasons for ills of the air-line industry, and Carleton Putnam, chairman of the board of Chicago & Southern Air Lines, appeared for the first time on financial conditions and operating efficiency of air lines in connection with the committee's hearings in pursuance of S. Res. 50, to authorize study and investigation of the financial condition and operating efficiency of the air-line industry. Committee meets again Monday.

UN-AMERICAN ACTIVITIES

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee held hearings on S. 1194 and S. 1196, to protect the U. S. against certain un-American and subversive activities, and received testimony from Senator Mundt in support of his bill, S. 1194. Subcommittee meets again May 4.

CIVIL-SERVICE AND POSTAL MATTERS

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Subcommittee met in executive session to discuss pending bills on civil-service and postal matters.

HATCH ACT—POLITICAL ACTIVITIES

Committee on Rules and Administration: Senator Humphrey; Harry B. Mitchell, President of Civil Service Commission; and Charles H. Barnes, a counsel for the Commission, appeared before the subcommittee to testify generally in support of H. R. 1243, to amend the Hatch Act relative to penalties for violations of this act by Federal civil-service employees. Subcommittee adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Seventeen public bills, H. R. 4442–4458; two private bills, H. R. 4459–4460; and four resolutions, H. J. Res. 231, and H. Res. 198–200, were introduced. **Pages 5382–5383**

Bill Reported: One report was made, as follows: H. R. 4419, a private bill (H. Rept. 492). **Page 5382**

President's Message: Heard a message from the President in which he submitted a charter for an International Trade Organization designed to establish a code of international conduct to guide nations in dealing with the fundamental problems of world trade, and to create an agency, within the framework of the United Nations, to help implement this code. The message was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs and ordered printed as House Document No. 168. **Page 5334**

Taft-Hartley Repeal: Continued consideration of H. R. 2032, to repeal the Labor-Management Relations Act of 1947, and to reenact the National Labor Relations Act with certain amendments. The House did not reach a vote on the Wood amendment to substitute H. R. 4290 (the so-called Wood bill) for the provisions of H. R. 2032, and postponed further action on the measure until Tuesday, May 3. In the course of today's consideration, the following actions were taken by the House, acting in the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union:

Rejected a substitute for the Wood substitute, offered by Mr. Marcantonio, calling for the outright repeal of the Labor-Management Relations Act of 1947 and reenactment of the National Labor Relations Act with no amendments.

Adopted the Ford amendment to the Wood substitute to allow people on strike to participate in elections of bargaining agents if their positions had not been validly filled by permanent replacements for 6 months.

Rejected an amendment to the Wood substitute, offered by Mr. Cavalcante, making it an unfair labor practice for employers to discharge or to refuse to hire employees due to race, creed, or color; also making it an unfair labor practice for labor organizations to refuse membership to applicants due to race, creed, or color.

Adopted an amendment to the Wood substitute, offered by Mr. Morton, relative to secondary strikes and boycotts, to bar the management of a legitimately struck plant from "farming out" work.

Adopted an amendment to the Wood substitute, offered by Mr. Bentsen, which sets up certain requisites which must be met prior to applying for injunction. **Pages 5335–5380**

Committee Meetings

INDIANS—ALASKA

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Indian Affairs held hearings on H. J. Res. 33, relative to ratification of contract for purchase of certain Indian lands by United States from the Three Affiliated Tribes of Fort Berthold, N. Dak. Representative Burdick and Ralph H. Case, general counsel of the Three Affiliated Tribes, spoke on behalf of the bill; and Martin Cross, member of the Three Affiliated Tribes, opposed it. Hearings will continue tomorrow morning.

Subcommittee on Territorial and Insular Affairs approved for reporting to the full committee H. R. 940, authorizing public improvements in Alaska, as amended. Adjourned subject to the call of the Chair.

RIVERS AND HARBORS

Committee on Public Works: Continued hearings on rivers and harbors authorizations and discussed the following projects: Pamlico Sound to Beaufort Harbor, Marshallberg, N. C., and Pamlico Sound, Taylors Creek, N. C. Testimony was offered on these projects by Col. Wayne S. Moore, resident member, Board of Engineers for Rivers and Harbors; Representative Barden; and Col. George W. Gillette, executive director, North Carolina State Port Authority. Also discussed Norfolk to Beaufort Inlet; Inland Waterway at Fairfield, N. C.; and Far Creek, N. C. Representative Bonner and Colonel Gillette spoke on both of these projects, and Colonel Moore on the first-mentioned project. Hearings will continue on Monday morning on the Far Creek project and others.

Monday, May 2, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate considered Federal aid to education, rejecting an amendment on distribution of funds.

House passed 73 miscellaneous bills.

State Department reorganization bill approved by House committee.

See Résumé of Congressional Activity.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 5383–5391

Bills Introduced: Nine bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1747 to S. 1755; S. J. Res. 85; and S. Con. Res. 34. **Pages 5387, 5388**

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. Res. 53, providing for printing as a Senate document the fifth semiannual report of the AEC (S. Rept. 313);

S. J. Res. 55, to print the monthly publication entitled "Economic Indicators" (S. Rept. 314);

S. 1459, to amend the Civil Service Retirement Act by waiving time limitations in the case of employees whose disabling condition is essentially chronic (S. Rept. 315);

S. 878, to provide certain benefits for annuitants who retired under Civil Service Retirement Act of 1930 prior to April 1, 1948, with amendments (S. Rept. 316);

S. Con. Res. 34, deportation referral cases (S. Rept. 317);

S. 259, to discontinue divisions of the court in the district of Kansas (S. Rept. 318);

H. R. 2605, S. 275, S. 584, and H. R. 2360, private bills (S. Repts. 319 to 322, respectively);

S. Con. Res. 11, to create a joint congressional committee to investigate the life-insurance industry (S. Rept. 323); referred to Committee on Rules and Administration;

Minority views on S. 1008, moratorium with respect to application of certain antitrust laws (Part II of S. Rept. 305); and

S. Res. 70, providing for additional printing of S. Doc. 643 on Florida flood control (no written report). **Pages 5387, 5388**

Printing Resolutions Adopted: Senate adopted the following routine printing resolutions: S. Res. 53, providing for printing as a Senate document the fifth semiannual report of the Atomic Energy Commission; and S. Res. 70, providing for additional printing of S. Doc. 643 on Florida flood control. **Page 5387**

Labor-FSA Appropriations: Senator Green entered a motion to reconsider the vote by which H. R. 3333, Labor-FSA appropriations for 1950, had been recommitted, with instructions to cut 5 percent from the amounts carried in the bill. **Page 5391**

Guided Missiles: Conference report on H. R. 1741, to establish a long-range guided-missiles proving ground, was adopted. **Page 5429**

Federal Aid to Education: Senate continued consideration of S. 246, Federal aid to education, rejecting, by 11 yeas to 68 nays, Lodge amendment providing a

formula for apportionment of funds for distribution among the States. The pending question is the Lodge amendment prohibiting segregation in administration of act. Pages 5391–5429

Holmes Devise Committee: Senator Lodge was appointed as a member of the Oliver Wendell Holmes Devise Committee to fill a vacancy. Page 5384

Committee Meetings

ARMY CIVIL-FUNCTIONS APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee continued in executive session to mark up for reporting to the full committee H. R. 3734, Army civil-functions appropriations for 1950. Subcommittee continues tomorrow.

NORTH ATLANTIC PACT

Committee on Foreign Relations: Robert A. Lovett, former Under Secretary of State, appeared before the committee to testify in support of the North Atlantic Pact. Hearings continue tomorrow.

COLORADO RIVER, AND INDIANS

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: In a morning executive session, it was agreed that hearings on the Colorado River system (S. J. Res. 4 and S. 75) would be terminated on Friday, with the committee adjourning its hearings over from today until Friday. At the hearings today on S. J. Res. 4, granting congressional consent to joinder of the U. S. in suit in the U. S. Supreme Court for adjudication of claims to water of the Colorado River system, and S. 75, to authorize construction, operation, and maintenance of dams on the Colorado River at Bridge Canyon, together with certain appurtenant dams and canals, the committee heard James H. Howard, general counsel, Metropolitan Water District of Southern California, and Northcutt Ely, special counsel, Colorado River Board of California, testify in support of S. J. Res. 4 and against S. 75.

It was also announced at the executive session that its subcommittee is expected to make a report to the full committee shortly on S. 1407, rehabilitation of Navajo-Hopi Indians.

AIR-LINE INDUSTRY

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Croil Hunter, president, Northwest Air Lines, testified before the committee in connection with its hearings in pursuance of S. Res. 50, to authorize study and investigation of the financial condition and operating efficiency of the air-line industry.

NOMINATIONS, IMMIGRATION, KANSAS, AND CLAIMS

Committee on the Judiciary: In executive session, the committee voted to report favorably the nomination of Philip J. Finnegan to be judge of the Circuit Court of Appeals of the Seventh Circuit; together with three U. S. attorneys (one each in Alaska, Utah, and New Hampshire) and two U. S. marshals (one each in Alaska and Ohio).

It also voted to report S. 259, to discontinue divisions of the court in the district of Kansas; two private immigration bills, with amendment: S. 584 and H. R. 2360; two private claims bills: with amendment, S. 275, and without amendment, H. R. 2605.

It was agreed that an original concurrent resolution be introduced and reported on deportation referral cases.

Subcommittee filed its report with the full committee on S. Con. Res. 11, to create a joint congressional committee to be made up of three members from each of the House and Senate Judiciary Committees to investigate life-insurance industry, and to report to Congress by June 30, 1950; the full committee then voted to report the resolution to the Senate, without amendment.

CIVIL SERVICE RETIREMENT

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Subcommittee held hearings on S. 1189, to amend Civil Service Retirement Act to provide for retirement on full annuity at age 55 after 30 years' service, and for payment of annuities to widows of retired employees without reduction in annuities of such employees, and S. 1440, to amend Civil Service Retirement Act to provide for payment of annuities to widows of retired employees without reduction in the annuities of such employees, with the following witnesses expressing their views on the legislation: Warren B. Irons, Chief of Retirement Division, Civil Service Commission; Thomas G. Walters, operations director, Government Employees Council, AFL; Floyd Bishop, National League of District Postmasters; Luther C. Steward, president, National Federation of Federal Employees; Lewis H. Fisher, general counsel, National Association of Retired Civil Employees; Robert A. Rice, president, Railway Mail Association; R. M. Lovelady, Canal Zone AFGE; William J. Houston, AFGE; Jesse V. Horton, National Association of Postal Supervisors; William C. Doherty, president, National Association of Letter Carriers; Walter L. Disbrow, president, Retirement Federation of Civil Service Employees of the U. S. Government; E. C. Hallbeck, National Federation of Post Office Clerks; Roy Eldean, vice president, United Public Workers of America, CIO; and Ross A. Messer, National Association of Post Office Maintenance Employees.

RURAL ROADS

Committee on Public Works: Subcommittee on Roads continued its hearings on S. 244 and S. 1471, to authorize regular appropriations for the construction of rural local roads, receiving testimony generally in opposition to the bills from Thomas H. MacDonald, Commissioner of Public Roads, who stated he did not believe the Public Roads Administration should deal directly with counties, but should deal with States in connection with rural local road construction. Subcommittee continues Friday.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Seventeen public bills, H. R. 4461–4477; three private bills, H. R. 4478–4480; and one resolution, H. J. Res. 232, were introduced. Page 5458

Bill Reported: One report was made as follows: H. R. 4106, for the relief of certain U. S. Foreign Service employees who suffered losses of personal property by reason of war conditions (H. Rept. 493). Page 5458

Mount Hope Cemetery: Agreed to Senate amendments to H. R. 1401, disposition of certain lands to Mount Hope Cemetery Association of Michigan; thereby clearing the bill for Presidential action. Page 5432

Consent Calendar: Passed the following bills on the call of the Consent Calendar:

Radio: H. Res. 106, to express the gratitude of the House to amateur radio operators.

Cleared for the President:

Witness fees: S. 635, in lieu of H. R. 1953, to increase the fees of witnesses in the U. S. courts and before U. S. commissioners.

Air Force: S. 796, to establish the grade of general of the Air Force.

Sent to the Senate without amendment:

Shipping: H. J. Res. 91, to cancel agreement of December 31, 1923, between port of Seattle and U. S. Shipping Board.

Postal research: H. R. 91, to provide for a research and development program in the Post Office Department.

Fort Brown, Tex.: H. R. 1338, providing for the transfer to the U. S. section, International Boundary and Water Commission, of Fort Brown at Brownsville, Tex.

Bridge construction: H. R. 1360, to extend time for construction of free bridge across the Rio Grande at Del Rio, Tex.

Indian lands: H. R. 1407, relative to holding in trust of certain lands by the U. S. for Bad River Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians of Wisconsin.

Nationality: H. R. 1837, to amend the Nationality Act of 1940 by correcting a typographical error in Public Law 567 (80th Cong.).

Indian lands: H. R. 1892, to authorize Secretary of Interior to issue a patent in fee to certain Indian lands in Lake County, Mont.

Columbia Basin project: H. R. 1920, to amend the Columbia Basin project with reference to State lands.

International broadcasting: H. R. 2282, to make certain Government-owned facilities available for international broadcasting in the furtherance of certain State Department programs.

Peace garden: H. R. 2369, to authorize an appropriation to complete the International Peace Garden, N. Dak.

Water compact: H. R. 2566, granting congressional consent to States of Montana, North Dakota, and Wyoming to enter a compact for division of waters of the Yellowstone River.

Funeral leave: H. R. 2662, to allow employees of the executive branch of the Government to participate in funerals for deceased members of the armed forces returned to U. S. for burial, without loss of pay or use of accrued leave.

Homestead entries: H. R. 2753, to amend the act of April 28, 1904, relative to additional homestead entries.

Land exchange: H. R. 2876, to effect an exchange of certain lands between the U. S. and the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians in North Carolina.

Farm labor camps: H. R. 2906, providing a 1-year extension of time for disposition of farm labor camps to public or semipublic agencies or nonprofit associations of farmers.

Conservation: H. R. 3181, to provide for more effective conservation in the arid and semiarid areas of the United States.

Censuses: H. R. 3198, to provide for use of Federal employees for field work by the Bureau of the Census.

Marine Band: H. R. 3341, to authorize attendance of U. S. Marine Band at Fifty-ninth Annual Reunion of Confederate Veterans in Little Rock, Ark., September 27–29, 1949.

Relief requests: H. R. 3436, to amend the Lucas Act with respect to redefinition of request for relief.

Animal quarantine: H. R. 3717, to repeal the act of July 24, 1946, relating to the Swan Island Animal Quarantine Station.

Property exchange: H. R. 4026, relating to exchange of certain private and Federal properties in Acadia National Park, Maine.

Peanuts: H. R. 4081, providing for delivery of excess peanuts to agencies designated by the Secretary of

Agriculture and to define the term "cooperator" with respect to price supports for peanuts.

Sent to Senate, amended:

Coal transportation: H. R. 75, to permit the transportation of coal to Ogdensburg, N. Y., in foreign vessels.

Alaska: H. R. 225, to authorize revision of certain laws of Alaska relative to imposing taxes for carrying on business and trade.

Aeronautics: H. R. 781, to amend the Civil Aeronautics Act of 1938, to facilitate the purchase and transportation of supplies and materials to the interior of Alaska.

Cooperatives: H. R. 848, to provide for retirement of Government capital in the central and regional banks for cooperatives.

Civil service: H. R. 907, to extend certain benefits to employees involuntarily separated from July 1, 1945, to July 1, 1947, after having served 25 years but prior to attainment of age 55.

Land conveyance: H. R. 1158, to provide for conveyance by the U. S. to the city of Marfa, Tex., of certain lands.

Indian land sale: H. R. 1753, to authorize the sale of certain Indian lands situated in Duchesne and Randlett, Utah.

Mining claims: H. R. 1754, to provide for the suspension of annual assessment work on mining claims held by location in the United States.

Alaskan election fees: H. R. 2387, to authorize the Governor of Alaska to fix certain fees and charges with respect to elections.

Homestead assistance: H. R. 2514, to enable the Secretary of Agriculture to extend financial assistance to homestead entrymen.

Grazing: H. R. 2914, to amend the Taylor Grazing Act to facilitate and improve the administration of the public lands under said act.

National Park: H. R. 3440, to add certain lands to Rocky Mountain National Park, Colo.

Mining claims: H. R. 3754, providing for temporary deferment in certain unavoidable contingencies of annual assessment work on mining claims held by location in the U. S.

Bill tabled: Tabled H. R. 1953, after having passed a similar Senate bill. Pages 5433–5450

Private Calendar: Passed the following bills on the call of the Private Calendar:

Cleared for the President: S. 227 and 850, in lieu of H. R. 3497.

Sent to the Senate without amendment: H. R. 716, 717, 748, 1056, 1121, 1472, 1592, 2702, 2931, 3017, 3458, 3467, 3532, 3812, 3966, 3992, and 4138.

Sent to the Senate, amended: H. R. 691, 746, 1025, 1096, 1123, 1125, 1136, 1295, 1303, 1858, and 1981.

Passed over without prejudice: S. 749, H. R. 656, 766, and 4419. Pages 5450–5454

District of Columbia: Considered and passed the following bills from the Committee on the District of Columbia:

H. R. 2104, regulating orders to stop payment on negotiable instruments payable from deposits in D. C. banks;

H. R. 2799, regulating the retent of contracts (with committee amendments);

H. R. 3967, to continue nursery schools and day-care centers; and

H. R. 2886, starling-extermination program. Pages 5454–5456

Committee Investigations: Adopted H. Res. 114, to authorize the Committee on Post Office and Civil Service to conduct studies and investigations relating to matters within its jurisdiction. Pages 5456–5457

Committee Meetings

FARM PROGRAM—RADIO

Committee on Agriculture: The Pace special subcommittee heard witnesses representing livestock producers, and associated groups, all of whom spoke in opposition to Secretary Brannan's recent recommendations on a proposed national farm program. Testifying were Howard Vaughn, president, National Wool Growers, Dixon, Calif.; A. A. Smith, president, American National Livestock Association; Bryant Edwards, president, Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers' Association; P. O. Wilson, National Livestock Producers Association, and Mark W. Pickell, executive secretary, Corn Belt Livestock Feeders Association. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

In the afternoon, a joint session of the House and Senate Committees on Agriculture was called at the request of the National Association of Radio Farm Directors, and other radio commentators who make regular farm broadcasts. Representative Cooley, chairman, and Representative Hope, ranking minority member, both of the House Committee on Agriculture, made opening statements, following which an open discussion was had, wherein all committee members were questioned by the group on the subject of farm broadcasting.

PAY BILL

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee No. 2 continued executive discussions, today and last Saturday, on H. R. 2553, armed services pay bill, and will resume on the same subject tomorrow morning.

HOUSING

Committee on Banking and Currency: At today's hearings on H. R. 4009, the Housing Act of 1949, Rodney M. Lockwood, president, National Association of Home Builders, appeared in opposition to the public-housing program and stated that in spite of shortages in building materials, building mechanics, and mortgage financing, in the last 3 years private industry had provided nearly 10,000,000 people with new homes, and assuming economic conditions permit continued production at that rate, it would rehouse the entire population of the United States within 36 years. Mr. Lockwood particularly criticized the high cost of public housing as proposed in the bill.

James P. Bourne, president, Louisville and Jefferson County Property Owners Association, testified that the results of a survey conducted by his organization indicated that in spite of all the propaganda for so-called low-rent housing and slum clearance, only 31 percent of our citizenry favor the plan. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

DISABILITY COMPENSATION—FEPA

Committee on Education and Labor: Concluded public hearings on H. R. 3191, providing compensation for Federal employees and civilian officers suffering injuries while in performance of their duties. Final witnesses were George Miller and James Bennett, Department of Justice; Edward T. Rogers, totally disabled Government employee; Charles Piozet, National Defense; Francis R. Cawley, Director, Office of Budget and Management, Department of Commerce; N. P. Alifas, president, District 44, International Association of Machinists; John W. Gibson, Assistant Secretary of Labor; William A. Minor, assistant to the Secretary of Agriculture; James Kenner, Washington, D. C.; Hayward P. Martin and Mr. Ryan, State Department; and Ross A. Messer, National Association of Post Office Maintenance Employees.

It was announced today that the hearings which had been scheduled by the Powell subcommittee for tomorrow, May 3, on H. R. 21, and related bills, to be known as the National Act Against Discrimination in Employment, would begin next Tuesday, May 10.

STATE DEPARTMENT—FOREIGN SERVICE

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Ordered the following bills reported to the House:

H. R. 3559, State Department reorganization bill; and

H. R. 4106, for the relief of certain U. S. Foreign Service employees who suffered losses of personal property by reason of war conditions.

Committee heard the testimony of Assistant Secretary of State John E. Peurifoy and C. V. Ravndal, Director-General, Foreign Service, on the State Department reorganization bill.

ANTI-POLL TAX

Committee on House Administration: Subcommittee on Elections opened hearings on H. R. 3199 and 3044, anti-poll-tax legislation, and heard the testimony of Irving Brant, author, Washington, D. C., and Dr. Clark Foreman, Washington representative of the Progressive Party. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

EXPORT LABELING

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: The Subcommittee on Securities and Exchange Commission, Federal Communications Commission, and Federal Trade Commission heard the following witnesses at its hearings on H. R. 562 and 160, amending the Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act, regarding labeling of goods for export, and relabeling goods, respectively: Robert Dunning, representing the Drug Industry Export Committee, New York City; James G. Flanagan, representing the American Drug Manufacturers Association, New York City; Vincent A. Burgher, vice president, CIBA Pharmaceutical Products, Inc., Summit, N. J.; Dr. Paul B. Dunbar, Commissioner, Food and Drug Administration, FSA; and E. W. Morrison, president, Morrison Milling Co., Denton, Tex.

IMMIGRATION—COLORADO RIVER

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 1 conducted hearings on private immigration bills, but took no action.

Subcommittee No. 3 heard the following witnesses on H. J. Res. 3 and related resolutions, granting the consent of Congress to joinder of the United States in suit in the U. S. Supreme Court for adjudication of claims to waters of the Colorado River system: J. A. Howell, Utah, chairman, Colorado River Basin States Committee; Jean S. Breitenstein, attorney for Colorado Water Conservation Board; H. Melvin Collins, Wyoming, member of Colorado River Basin States Committee; John W. Metgzer, attorney general of Colorado. Adjourned until Monday, May 9.

COAST GUARD

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Subcommittee on the Coast Guard discussed H. R. 273, to codify title 14 of the U. S. Code, entitled "Coast Guard," and approved recommendations of subcommittee to report to full committee that the bill with minor changes, agreed to with Subcommittee of the Judiciary, merits favorable action of the Congress.

Also held hearings on H. R. 182 and 2986, to increase the retired pay of certain members of the former Lighthouse Service. Testifying on these bills were Representative Hale; Thomas A. Lee, secretary, Lighthouse Retirement Association; and Capt. A. C. Richmond, U. S. Coast Guard.

Capt. A. C. Richmond, U. S. Coast Guard, also testified on H. R. 3294, to regulate hours of duty and pay of civilian keepers of lighthouses and civilians employed on lightships and other vessels of the Coast Guard. This bill, along with H. R. 1823, to establish a Women's Reserve Branch of the Coast Guard Reserve, are to be reintroduced as clean bills incorporating amendments agreed to in subcommittee.

POSTAL RATES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Heard testimony of the following opposition witnesses at the hearings on H. R. 2945, to increase certain postal rates: Malcolm Johnson, of the D. Van Nostrand Co., Inc., New York City book publishers, representing the American Textbook Publishers; John O'Connor, chairman, National Postal Committee for Books, New York City; Ethelbert Warfield, representing the American Book Publishers Council, New York City, accompanied by Dr. William H. Hall, Jr., president, Westminster College, Fulton, Mo.; and Gilbert Goodkind, executive secretary, American Booksellers Association, New York City. Hearings will be continued on Wednesday.

PATENTS—OAK CREEK CANYON

Committee on Public Lands: Considered, but took no action on, H. R. 4261, granting patent in fee to L. J. Hand, hearing Representative Whittington speak in favor of the bill and Marion Clawson, Director, Bureau of Land Management, Department of the Interior, who suggested an amendment; H. R. 2588, granting patent to V. LeBlanc and C. Riccard, hearing Representative Boggs of Louisiana in favor of the bill; and H. R. 2872, to protect scenic values along Oak Creek Canyon, Ariz., hearing Representative Patton and John Secar of the Forest Service, both of whom spoke in favor of the bill.

D. C. GOLF COURSES

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Public Golf Course Investigation resumed hearings on H. R. 3544, to prohibit the Secretary of Interior from making any contract or lease relating to golf courses in the District of Columbia. Today's witnesses were Arthur E. Demaray, Associate Director, National Park Service, Department of the Interior, who answered questions of the subcommittee members regarding the operations of the public golf courses in the District; Harry T. Thompson, Assistant Superintendent, National Capital Parks, Department of the Interior, who explained charts introduced as evidence; A. J. Knox, attorney, National Capital Parks, who answered questions regarding legal interpretation of contracts; Harry S. Wender, Chairman, D. C. Board of Recreation; James E. Schwab, Vice Chairman, D. C. Board of Recreation; Alfred L. Thomas, supervisor of operations, East Potomac and Rock Creek golf courses; William Alfred Farr, supervisor of operations, Fort Dupont, Anacostia, and Langston golf courses; Mrs. Alice Hunter, secretary, D. C. Board of Recreation; and Milo F. Christiansen, Superintendent of Recreation. Meeting adjourned, subject to the call of the Chair.

FORT BERTHOLD INDIANS

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Indian Affairs heard the following witnesses speak on behalf of H. J. Res. 33, relative to ratification of contract for purchase of certain Indian lands by the United States from the Three Affiliated Tribes of Fort Berthold Reservation, N. Dak.: John H. Provinse, Assistant Commissioner, Allan G. Harper, and Samuel Flickinger, all of the Bureau of Indian Affairs; and Maj. Gen. Lewis A. Pick, of the Army Engineers. Will resume on the same bill tomorrow morning.

RIVERS AND HARBORS

Committee on Public Works: Held further hearings on river and harbor authorizations and discussed the following projects: Far Creek, N. C., on which Col. Wayne S. Moore, resident member, Board of Engineers for Rivers and Harbors, testified. Colonel Moore spoke on all projects considered today, along with other witnesses as listed: Cape Fear at and below Wilmington, N. C., Representative Carlyle; Savannah River, Ga., Representatives Preston and Brown of Georgia; D. Leon Williams, acting director, Georgia Ports Authority, Atlanta, Ga.; Kenneth H. Merry, chairman, Savannah River Committee, Augusta, Ga.; William H. McGowan, executive secretary, Savannah Port Authority; Clark Gaines, secretary, Georgia Department of Commerce; Charles F. Lynn; representing the Governor of South Carolina; and L. S. Moody, secretary, Chamber of Commerce, Savannah, Ga.; and Brunswick Harbor, Ga., Louis C. Purdey, general manager, Brunswick Chamber of Commerce. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

MILITARY JUSTICE

Committee on Rules: Granted open rule, providing for 3 hours of general debate on H. R. 4080, to establish a Uniform Code of Military Justice. Representatives Brooks and Elston spoke on behalf of the resolution.

Also considered, but took no action on, rules for House action on H. R. 1770, amending the Reclamation Projects Act of 1939 relative to contracts for furnishing water for irrigation; H. R. 2682, amending the Commodity Credit Corporation's charter, relative to acquisition of storage facilities; and H. R. 2988, to provide for a Resident Commissioner from the Virgin Islands.

Joint Committee Meetings

ATOMIC ENERGY, OAK RIDGE

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Subcommittee met in executive session to investigate the alleged national security aspects of the proposed conversion of fuel used at the Oak Ridge atomic energy plants from that of coal to natural gas, with the following witnesses testifying: AEC Commissioner Sumner T. Pike, and Edward Bloch, Deputy Director, Division of Production, AEC.

Résumé of Congressional Activity

FIRST SESSION OF EIGHTY-FIRST CONGRESS

The first table gives a comprehensive résumé of all legislative business transacted by the House and Senate during the session, January 3, 1949, through April 30, 1949.

The second table accounts for all nominations submitted to the Senate by the President for Senate confirmation.

DATA ON LEGISLATIVE ACTIVITY

January 3 through April 30, 1949

	Senate	*House*	*Total*
Days in session	67	65	..
Time in session	398 hrs., 57′	279 hrs., 9′	..
Congressional Record:			
Pages of proceedings	3,228	2,250	5,478
Appendix	.	..	2,694
Public bills enacted into law	23	32	55
Private bills enacted into law	14	23	37
Bills in conference	..	..	5
Bills through conference	..	..	6
Measures passed, total	251	395	..
Senate bills	113	32	..
House bills	54	245	..
Senate joint resolutions	12	6	..
House joint resolutions	11	14	..
Senate concurrent resolutions	10	1	..
House concurrent resolutions	6	7	..
Simple resolutions	45	90	135
Measures reported, total	*347	*478	..
Senate bills	166	25	..
House bills	84	364	..
Senate joint resolutions	14	1	..
House joint resolutions	12	17	..
Senate concurrent resolutions	15	1	..
House concurrent resolutions	6	5	..
Simple resolutions	50	65	115
Special reports	14	8	..
Conference reports	..	6	..
Reported measures not acted on	**83	**121	..
Measures introduced, total	1,976	4,949	6,925
Bills	1,746	4,460	6,206
Joint resolutions	84	231	315
Concurrent resolutions	33	58	91
Simple resolutions	113	200	313
Quorum calls	139	38	177
Yea-and-nay votes	72	44	116
Bills vetoed	..	..	4

*These figures on measures reported include all placed on calendar or acted on by Senate even if there was no accompanying report. A total of 312 reports has been filed in the Senate; a total of 492 has been filed in the House.

**This figure does not agree with the total difference between bills reported and bills passed, because resolutions and bills placed on the House Calendar without having been formally reported were not included in figures of measures reported to the House; the difference in the case of Senate figures is due to uncounted bills "laid on the table" or "indefinitely postponed."

DISPOSITION OF EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS RECEIVED FROM JANUARY 3–APRIL 30, 1949

Postmaster nominations, totaling 1,802, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	684
Withdrawn	4
Rejected	None
Unconfirmed	1,114
Army nominations, totaling 15,417, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	15,415
Withdrawn	None
Rejected	None
Unconfirmed	2
Air Force nominations, totaling 11,868, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	11,868
Withdrawn	None
Rejected	None
Unconfirmed	None
Navy nominations totaling 6,022, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	5,431
Withdrawn	None
Rejected	None
Unconfirmed	591
Marine Corps nominations, totaling 928, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	928
Withdrawn	None
Rejected	None
Unconfirmed	None
Civilian nominations other than postmasters, totaling 1,528, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	1,489
Withdrawn	6
Rejected	None
Unconfirmed	33

Summary

Total nominations received	37,565
Total rejected	None
Total withdrawn	10
Total unconfirmed	1,740
Total confirmed	35,815

TABLE OF APPROPRIATION BILLS, EIGHTY-FIRST CONGRESS, FIRST SESSION

Bill No.	Title	Budget estimates*	House				Senate				Public law		
			Date reported	Amount reported	Date passed	Amount as passed	Date reported	Amount reported	Date passed	Amount as passed	Date approved	Amount as approved	Law No.
H. J. Res. 112	Disaster Relief	$1,000,000	Jan. 27	$500,000	Jan. 27	$500,000	Jan. 27	$500,000	Jan. 27	$500,000	Jan. 28	$500,000	3
H. J. Res. 136	Disaster Relief	500,000	Feb. 3	500,000	Feb. 3	500,000	Feb. 3	500,000	Feb. 3	500,000	Feb. 7	500,000	5
H. R. 2632	First Deficiency, 1949	564,183,148	Feb. 14	466,882,177	Feb. 16	471,895,177	Mar. 22	538,453,473	Apr. 13	542,303,473			
H. R. 3082	District of Columbia, 1950	103,321,427	Mar. 1	98,923,621	Mar. 2	98,923,621							
H. R. 3083	Treasury-Post Office, 1950		Mar. 1		Mar. 3		Apr. 29						
	Treasury	3,176,266,750		3,072,817,903		3,072,817,903		3,113,068,503					
	Post Office	1,096,594,450		1,027,608,403		1,027,608,403		1,045,184,403					
		2,079,672,300		2,045,209,500		2,045,209,500		2,067,884,100					
H. R. 3333	Labor-Federal Security, 1950	2,235,065,685	Mar. 8	2,211,794,085	Mar. 9	2,211,794,085							
	Labor	16,766,200		16,550,000		16,550,000							
	FSA	1,501,481,985		1,478,426,585		1,478,426,585							
	Related agencies	716,817,500		716,817,500		716,817,500							
H. R. 3734	Civil Functions, Army, 1950	767,733,220	Mar. 23	568,762,000	Mar. 29	593,292,270							
H. R. 3838	Interior, 1950	616,805,020	Mar. 28	536,111,908	Mar. 30	536,361,908							
H. R. 3997	Agriculture, 1950	726,879,908	Apr. 4	701,122,079	Apr. 5	701,122,079							
H. R. 4016	State, Justice, Commerce, 1950		Apr. 5		Apr. 7								
	State	740,023,456		684,616,102		684,616,102							
	Justice	285,313,756		271,405,656		271,405,656							
	Commerce	132,402,000		132,579,141		132,579,141							
	Judiciary	301,073,500		259,927,605		259,927,605							
		21,234,200		20,703,700		20,703,700							
H. R. 4046	Second Deficiency, 1949	698,028,397	Apr. 6	671,047,172	Apr. 8	671,069,672							
H. R. 4146	National Military, 1950		Apr. 9		Apr. 13								
	Army	13,219,835,700		13,272,815,800		13,272,815,800							
	Navy	4,604,875,700		4,481,834,200		4,481,834,200							
	Air Force	4,408,026,000		4,375,327,600		4,375,327,600							
	Other	4,000,887,000		4,222,954,000		4,222,954,000							
		206,047,000		192,700,000		192,700,000							
H. R. 4177	Independent Offices, 1950	7,775,566,830	Apr. 11	7,104,571,603	Apr. 14	7,103,506,553							
H. J. Res. 222	Veterans Readjustment Benefits	595,890,000	Apr. 12	595,890,000	Apr. 13	595,890,000	Apr. 13	595,890,000	Apr. 14	595,890,000	Apr. 15	595,890,000	43

*These estimates include any additional amounts which may have been submitted to the Senate after the bill was acted on by House Appropriations Committee.

Tuesday, May 3, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate debated Federal aid to education, rejecting Lodge amendment prohibiting segregation in administration of act.

House resumed consideration of Taft-Hartley repeal bill.

Bills on Federal lands, Indians, Coast Guard, and foreign-claims payments approved by House committees.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 5459–5468

Bills Introduced: Three bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 1756 to S. 1758; and S. Res. 114. Pages 5461, 5487–5488

Bills Referred: Sixty-five House-passed bills were referred to appropriate committees. Pages 5467–5468

Federal Aid to Education: Senate continued consideration of S. 246, Federal aid to education, rejecting, by 16 yeas to 65 nays, Lodge amendment prohibiting segregation in administration of act. The pending question is the Tydings amendment to eliminate the alternative method provided in the bill for determining amounts of Federal allotments to the States.

Pages 5468–5480, 5488–5501

Confirmations: Senate confirmed seven civilian nominations including that of Philip J. Finnegan, Illinois, to be judge of U. S. Court of Appeals for Seventh Circuit. Page 5503

Nominations: Two hundred and eighteen Air Force nominations were received. Pages 5502–5503

Committee Meetings

ARMY CIVIL-FUNCTIONS APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee continued in executive session to mark up for reporting to the full committee H. R. 3734, Army civil-functions appropriations for 1950. Subcommittee continues Wednesday.

AGRICULTURE APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee, in executive session, began marking up for reporting to the full committee H. R. 3997, Agriculture appropriations for 1950. Subcommittee continues its work tomorrow.

STATE, JUSTICE, COMMERCE, AND JUDICIARY APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee opened hearings on H. R. 4016, State, Justice, Commerce, and Judiciary appropriations for 1950, with Secretary of Commerce Charles Sawyer, Bernard L. Gladieux, executive assistant to the Secretary, and Francis R. Cawley, Department budget officer, testifying in support of proposed appropriations for salaries and expenses of the Office of the Secretary of Commerce; and Acting Director A. Ross Eckler testifying on funds for the Bureau of the Census. Hearings continue Wednesday.

CHINA

Committee on Armed Services: In open and in executive session, the committee heard Gen. Claire Chennault discuss the existing situation in China.

WASHINGTON GAS CO. AND D. C. JUVENILE COURT

Committee on the District of Columbia: The following witnesses appeared before the committee to express their views on S. 1418, to amend the act to incorporate the Washington Gas Light Co.: Oscar Berry, attorney for Washington Gas Light Co.; Everett J. Boothby, president, Washington Gas Light Co.; Denman Rucker, attorney for State of Virginia; Albert A. Carretta and Laurence S. Knappen, representing Virginia Public Utilities Commission; James K. Flanagan, representing D. C. Public Utilities Commission; Lloyd B. Harrison, attorney for D. C. Public Utilities Commission; William S. Tarver, assistant general counsel, FPC; Malcolm D. Miller, representing Legislative and Legal Actions Committee of Arlington Civic Federation; Joe W. Ingram, chairman of Utilities Committee of Arlington Better Government League; and V. A. McElfresh, chief auditor for D. C. Public Utilities Commission.

The following witnesses testified on S. 1350 and S. 1557, to provide an additional judge for the D. C. Juvenile Court: Lowry Coe, president, D. C. Bar Association; Earl H. Davis and Katherine Staley, members of D. C. Bar Association; Mrs. Burneta S. Matthews, member of Committee of the Bar Association; Mrs. Harold Sinton, Advisory Committee of Juvenile Court; Melvin A. Glasse, representing American Association of Social Workers; and Allen N. Cozier, Justice Department.

NORTH ATLANTIC PACT

Committee on Foreign Relations: Gen. Omar N. Bradley, Army Chief of Staff, testified before the committee in support of the North Atlantic Pact. Hearings continue Wednesday.

INDIANS

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Subcommittee heard the following witnesses testify in support of S. J. Res. 11, relative to ratification of contract for purchase of certain Indian lands by the U. S. from the Three Affiliated Tribes of Fort Berthold Reservation, N. Dak.: Senators Langer and Young; the following representatives of the Three Affiliated Tribes of Fort Berthold Reservation: Carl Whitman, Jr., Nathan L. Soldier, B. J. Young Bird, Ralph Case, Mark Mahto, J. B. Smith, Rev. Harold W. Case, Carl Sylvester, and James Hall; and John H. Provinse, Assistant Commissioner of the Bureau of Indian Affairs, and his assistants.

AIR-LINE INDUSTRY

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Croil Hunter, president, Northwest Air Lines, concluded his testimony in connection with the committee's hearings in pursuance of S. Res. 50, to authorize study and investigation of the financial condition and operating efficiency of the air-line industry. George Hatzes, Jr., also testified. Committee meets again Thursday.

ELECTORAL COLLEGE

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee concluded hearings on S. J. Res. 2, to amend the Constitution regarding the electoral college system of electing the President and Vice President, after receiving further testimony in opposition to the bill from Basil Brewer, publisher of New Bedford, Mass., Standard Times, who did propose that the Constitution be amended to abolish the fiction of electoral college and to change the existing system of electing the President when election is thrown in Congress so that the President and Vice President would be elected by a majority of the House and Senate membership, with the Members voting individually and not by State.

MEDICAL RESEARCH

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Dr. Leonard Scheele, Surgeon General, appeared before the subcommittee to give his views on S. 1651, to support research and training in rheumatism and arthritis, multiple sclerosis, cerebral palsy and epilepsy, and other diseases, and related bills. Hearings continue tomorrow.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Thirty public bills, H. R. 4481–4510; five private bills, H. R. 4511–4515; and five resolutions, H. J. Res. 233–236 and H. Res. 201, were introduced.

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Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

Conference report on H. R. 1741, to establish a long-range guided-missiles proving ground (H. Rept. 494);

H. Res. 201, providing for 3 hours of general debate on H. R. 4080, to establish a Uniform Code of Military Justice (H. Rept. 495);

S. 326, extending time for filing under War Claims Act (H. Rept. 496);

Two private bills, H. R. 4366 and 4373 (H. Repts. 497 and 498);

H. R. 3151, amending the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (H. Rept. 499);

H. R. 3559, providing for the reorganization of the State Department (H. Rept. 500);

H. R. 4471, to regulate hours of duty and pay of civilian lighthouse keepers and civilians employed on lightships and other vessels of the Coast Guard (H. Rept. 501);

H. R. 4392, providing for payment of compensation to the Swiss Government for damages inflicted on Swiss territory during World War II by U. S. armed forces (H. Rept. 502); and

S. 937, to authorize the Secretary of the Treasury to effect the payment of certain claims against the United States (H. Rept. 503). Pages 5504, 5564

Taft-Hartley Repeal: Adopted, by a vote of 217 yeas to 203 nays, the Wood amendment to substitute H. R. 4290 (so-called Wood bill) for the provisions of H. R. 2032, but postponed until Wednesday the vote on passage of H. R. 2032, as amended by the Wood amendment, when Mr. Marcantonio demanded the reading of the engrossed bill.

When the House resumed consideration of H. R. 2032, to repeal the Labor-Management Relations Act of 1947 and to reenact the National Labor Relations Act of 1935, the Wood amendment was still pending.

A substitute for the Wood amendment was offered by Mr. Sims, which embodied the Lesinski bill with new provisions that provided for—

Free speech for employers and employees.

Eighty-day antistrike injunction for use in national emergency strikes.

Financial statements from unions.

Both parties to bargain in good faith.

A non-Communist affidavit from both management and union officials.

The creation of a joint congressional committee to make a long-range study of labor relations.

Rejected numerous amendments to the Sims substitute and adopted one calling for a non-Fascist affidavit in addition to the non-Communist affidavit.

The Sims substitute for the Wood amendment was rejected in the Committee of the Whole by 211 nays to 183 yeas.

Subsequently the Committee of the Whole adopted the following amendments to the Wood amendment designed to—

Give to the union additional authority to police their own members.

Extend hiring-hall provision to make it possible for an employer to give to the unions an opportunity to supply men for positions that are open.

Clarify agency relationship relative to unions being held liable for unauthorized acts of members of the union.

Give States the right to validate closed-shop agreements.

Restore the grandfather clause protecting closed-shop agreements, made prior to the Taft-Hartley Act, that are still valid. Pages 5504–5544

Committee Meetings

NATIONAL FARM PROGRAM

Committee on Agriculture: Appearing at the Pace special subcommittee hearings on the proposed farm program as it relates to milk and milk products were Charles W. Holman, secretary, National Cooperative Milk Producers Federation; W. A. Gordon, secretary, National Creameries Association, St. Paul, Minn.; J. O. Lund, president, Minnesota Creameries Association, St. Paul, Minn.; and Len E. Kopitske, president, Wisconsin Cheese Makers' Association, Marion, Wis. Mr. Holman said his organization felt a few clarifying and beneficial amendments to the Aiken bill is all that is requested by the dairymen. His group recommended (*a*) inclusion of wages of hired farm labor in index of prices paid by farmers for commodities bought; (*b*) inclusion after January 1950 of special treatment of milk and its products by modification of parity computation to include subsidies in effect during war roll-back period; (*c*) flexible support prices for milk and its products based upon full parity with minimum of 75 percent of parity; (*d*) amendment to have specific parity formula for milk and its products not subject to administrative interpretation; and (*e*) application of the Aiken food-allotment plan for the underprivileged as an aid to disposition of surpluses. Mr. Gordon elaborated on the butter, cheese, and other manufactured commodities, and said no single milk parity program would safeguard them. He recommended adoption of H. R. 2200, dealing with announcement of parity price on milk, starting January 1, 1950. Mr. Kopitske presented the price situation as it applies to cheese. This testimony concluded the hearings on milk and milk products. Committee will meet tomorrow to hear representatives of Irish-potato groups.

ARMORY LEGISLATION—PAY BILL

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee No. 3 held executive discussions on armory legislation, which subject will be further considered at tomorrow's meeting.

Subcommittee No. 2 continued hearings on H. R. 2553, the armed services pay bill, and heard the testimony of Col. Melvin J. Maas, president, Marine Corps Reserve Officers Association; Francis M. Sullivan, director for national legislation, DAV; J. M. Kyle, president, National Defense League of America; and Charles Lofgren, national secretary, Fleet Reserve Association. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

HOUSING

Committee on Banking and Currency: William Alden, National Association of Security Dealers; Robert T. Veit, Shields & Co., New York; George Stubbs, of Birmingham, Ala.; B. K. Cunningham, of Pittsburgh, Pa.; and Thomas Graham, of Louisville, Ky., representing the National Security Traders Association, testified in favor of the general public-housing and slum-clearance features of the bill. They testified in opposition to section 502—amendments to the National Banking Act—which would permit commercial banks to deal in Housing Authority securities. It is their contention that the investment dealers are in a position to distribute the volume of bonds contemplated under the housing bills, and that the philosophy of the Banking Act as it now stands, to separate commercial banking from investment banking, should continue. George W. West, of Atlanta, Ga., on behalf of the U. S. Chamber of Commerce, testified in opposition to a Federal program of public housing and slum clearance, but advocated that the governmental action which is required should be State and local government action, and cited examples of the success of such a program in various communities. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

D. C. CORPORATIONS

Committee on the District of Columbia: Judiciary subcommittee considered, but took no final action on, H. R. 3343, providing for regulation of certain D. C. business corporations; H. R. 3361, relating to children born out of wedlock; and H. R. 3372, relative to foreign corporations doing business in the District of Columbia. Other bills amending D. C. law were also considered. Wit-

nesses heard today were Corporation Counsel Vernon West; Lowry N. Coe, president, D. C. Bar Association; and representatives of legal, professional, charitable, and welfare associations in the District of Columbia. Adjourned subject to the call of the Chair.

SWISS CLAIMS—VISAS

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Ordered the following bills reported favorably to the House:

S. 937, to authorize the Secretary of the Treasury to effect the payment of certain claims against the United States; and

H. R. 4392, providing for payment of compensation to the Swiss Government for damages inflicted on Swiss territory during World War II by U. S. armed forces.

Ordered reported adversely H. Res. 196, relating to obtaining information from the Secretary of State regarding denial of visas.

ANTI-POLL TAX—CLERK HIRE

Committee on House Administration: Subcommittee on Elections continued hearings on anti-poll-tax bills. Today's witnesses were Elmer W. Henderson, director, American Council on Human Rights; John W. Edelman, Textile Workers Union of America; and Tom Harris, of the CIO, who will also be the first witness at tomorrow morning's session. A statement was also submitted today by Charles W. Houston, national vice president, Lawyers Guild.

Subcommittee on Accounts held an executive meeting in connection with congressional clerk hire. Will resume on this subject tomorrow morning.

CARRIERS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee on Transportation completed public hearings on S. 256 and H. R. 1710, omnibus bills amending the Interstate Commerce Act, relating to inclusion of carrier associations under the act. Testifying on these bills were Dr. Walter M. W. Splawn, Commissioner, Interstate Commerce Commission; A. U. Krebs, counsel, National Federation of American Shipping; and Chester C. Thompson, president, American Waterways Operators, all of Washington, D. C.

DISPLACED PERSONS

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee continued discussion of proposed amendments to the Displaced Persons Act of 1948. To be further considered Thursday.

COAST GUARD

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Ordered the following bills reported to the House:

H. R. 4470, to establish a Women's Reserve as a branch of the Coast Guard Reserve; and

H. R. 4471, to regulate hours of duty and pay of civilian lighthouse keepers and civilians employed on lightships and other vessels of the Coast Guard.

Committee also approved a letter relative to H. R. 273, to codify title 14 of the U. S. Code entitled "Coast Guard," upon which a subcommittee of the Judiciary Committee and the Subcommittee on the Coast Guard were in agreement. Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

ALASKA-PANAMA RETIREMENTS

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Miller subcommittee opened hearings on H. R. 3445, a bill to consolidate the retirement systems of the Alaska and Panama Railroads and the Panama Canal under the civil-service retirement system. Witnesses heard on this legislation were Warren Irons, Chief, Retirement Division, Civil Service Commission; Bernard F. Burdick, Chief of Washington office, the Panama Canal; H. Rex Lee, Assistant Director, Division of Territories and Island Possessions, Department of the Interior; R. M. Lovelady, legislative representative and president, American Federation of Government Employees, Balboa, Panama Canal Zone; Walter J. Jones, legislative representative, Panama Canal Metal Trades Council; Col. F. H. Wang, adviser to the Governor of the Panama Canal; Col. Charles I. Stengel, legislative representative, AFGE; Thomas G. Walters, operations director, Government Employees Council, A. F. of L.; and Thomas Richardson, president, United Public Workers of America.

INDIAN AND LAND BILLS

Committee on Public Lands: Ordered the following bills reported to the House:

H. R. 2170, declaring Crow children competent members of the Crow Tribe;

H. R. 2432, restoring to tribal ownership certain lands on the Colville Indian Reservation, Wash.;

H. R. 3881, providing use of State course of study in Indian schools;

H. J. Res. 33, providing for the purchase of certain Indian lands by the United States from the Three Affiliated Tribes of Fort Berthold Reservation, N. Dak.;

H. R. 2872, protecting scenic values along Oak Creek Canyon;

H. R. 4151, granting consent of U. S. to Arkansas River compact;

H. R. 4289, settlers in Alaska to record notice of settlement claims in district land office;

S. 270, changing name of Culbertson Dam, Nebr., to Trenton Dam; and

Five private bills, H. R. 3616, 3886, and 2588, and S. 392 and 716.

The committee also heard Representatives Angell, Philbin, Auchincloss, and Horan testify on payment-in-lieu-of-taxes legislation. Adjourned subject to the call of the Chair.

ALASKA HOMESTEADS

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Territorial and Insular Possessions heard William E. Warne, Assistant Secretary of the Interior, speak on behalf of H. R. 1549 and H. R. 4424, bills relating to the homesteading of Alaska by war veterans. Adjourned subject to the call of the Chair.

RIVERS AND HARBORS

Committee on Public Works: At today's hearings on river and harbor authorizations, the committee considered the following projects and heard the testimony of the listed witnesses: Brunswick Harbor, Ga., Representative Wheeler. St. Marys River and North River, Ga. and Fla., Representatives Wheeler and Bennett of Florida; Col. Wayne S. Moore, resident member, Board of Engineers for Rivers and Harbors; and John S. Gibson, attorney, former U. S. Representative. Fernandina Harbor, Fla., Representative Bennett of Florida and Colonel Moore. Horseshoe Cove, Fla., Representative Bennett of Florida and Colonel Moore. Lake Worth Inlet, Fla., Representative Rogers of Florida; Colonel Moore; L. R. Bishop, Director, Port of Palm Beach District; and B. B. Burns, Port of Palm Beach District. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

Joint Committee Meetings

CHINA

Joint Committee on Foreign Economic Cooperation: Gen. Claire Chennault appeared before the committee to give his views on existing conditions in China.

ATOMIC ENERGY—LABOR PROBLEMS

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Subcommittee heard William H. Davis, chairman of the Atomic Energy Labor Relations Panel, discuss the background of the report recently submitted to the President by a Presidential commission on labor relations in the Atomic Energy installations.

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HIGHLIGHTS

Senate continued work on Federal aid to education, disposing of various amendments.

Taft-Hartley repeal bill recommitted by House.

Bills on veterans' legislation and land reclamation approved by House committees.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 5563–5570

Bills Introduced: Ten bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1759 to S. 1768; S. J. Res. 86; and S. Con Res. 35. **Pages 5567, 5569**

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 353, to allow prospecting and mining without permit or charge on certain areas of the Santa Fe National Forest, N. Mex. (S. Rept. 324);

S. 812, to allow prospecting and mining without permit or charge on certain areas in the Coconino National Forest, Ariz. (S. Rept. 325);

The following private bills: H. R. 1029, 1030, 1109, and 1281 (S. Repts. 326 to 329, respectively);

H. R. 20, to authorize the creation of 10 professional and scientific positions in National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics (S. Rept. 330); and

Minority Views on National Labor Relations Act of 1949 (part II of S. Rept. 99). **Pages 5567, 5589–5592**

Federal Aid to Education: Senate continued work on S. 246, Federal aid to education, rejecting amendments as follows: by 17 yeas to 57 nays, Tydings amendment to eliminate the alternative method provided in the bill for determining amounts of Federal allotments to the States; by 30 yeas to 49 nays, Baldwin amendment to earmark Federal tax receipts in each State for use of that State under the act; and, by division vote, McCarthy amendment to establish minimum annual salary of $2,850 for public school teachers. Pending at recess was McMahon amendment that funds for school bus transportation shall be spent without regard to race, creed, color, or as to character of school served. **Pages 5570–5589, 5592–5595**

Confirmations: Senate confirmed two civilian nominations, including that of Jess Larson, of Oklahoma, to be Federal Works Administrator. **Page 5596**

Nominations: The nominations of Edward Mount Webster, of D. C., to be a member of the FCC, and Capus M. Waynick, of North Carolina, to be Ambassador to Nicaragua, were received. Page 5596

Committee Meetings

ARMY CIVIL-FUNCTIONS APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: In executive session, the subcommittee concluded marking up and agreed to report to the full committee at its next meeting H. R. 3734, Army civil-functions appropriations for 1950.

AGRICULTURE APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee continued its work in executive session, marking up for reporting to the full committee H. R. 3997, Agriculture appropriations for 1950. Subcommittee continues its work Thursday.

STATE, JUSTICE, COMMERCE, AND JUDICIARY APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Deputy Administrator F. B. Lee, Director of Office of Federal Airways W. E. Kline, Budget Officer R. P. Pope, and Executive Secretary Air Navigation Development Board B. A. Denicke, all of the CAB, appeared before the subcommittee in support of funds on establishment of air navigation facilities in connection with its hearings on H. R. 4016, State, Justice, Commerce, and Judiciary appropriations for 1950. Hearings continue Thursday.

BATTLE OF BULGE—MILITARY TRIALS

Committee on Armed Services: Judge Edward Leroy Van Roden, member of the Simpson Commission Investigating the Malmedy Trials, appeared to give to the subcommittee general background on the military trials of the massacre at Malmedy in connection with the hearings on S. Res. 42, to investigate military trials of persons who massacred American soldiers in the Battle of the Bulge. Subcommittee continues Thursday.

CODE OF MILITARY JUSTICE

Committee on Armed Services: The following witnesses appeared before the subcommittee to express their views on S. 857, to establish a Uniform Code of Military Justice: G. A. Spiegelberg, chairman, special committee on military justice of the American Bar Association; Arthur E. Farmer, chairman, committee on military law of the War Veterans Bar Association; Col. Melvin J. Maas, president, Marine Corps Reserve Officers Association; Col. P. G. McElivee and Col. F. B. Weiner, Judge Advocate General (Reserve); J. A. Clorety, American Veterans Committee; Col. John Oliver, Reserve Officers Association; and Lt. Col. T. H. King, National Judge Advocate Reserve Officers Association.

NORTH ATLANTIC PACT

Committee on Foreign Relations: John Foster Dulles, former Under Secretary of State William Clayton, and James B. Carey, CIO, appeared before the committee to testify generally in support of the North Atlantic Pact. Hearings continue Thursday.

UN-AMERICAN ACTIVITIES

Committee on the Judiciary: Senators Mundt and Ferguson apppeared before the subcommittee to testify in support of S. 1194 and S. 1196, to protect the U. S. against certain un-American and subversive activities. Subcommittee meets again Friday.

MEDICAL RESEARCH

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee on Public Health continued its hearings on S. 1651, to support research and training in rheumatism and arthritis, multiple sclerosis, cerebral palsy, and epilepsy, and related bills (with particular reference to S. 659, epilepsy), with the following witnesses expressing their views on the proposed legislation: Dr. William G. Lennox, president, International League Against Epilepsy; Paul A. Strachan, president, and Harry S. Wender, general counsel, both of American Federation of the Physically Handicapped. Hearings continue Thursday.

HOSPITAL CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee on Hospital Construction and Local Public Health Units heard four witnesses express their views on S. 614, to amend the Hospital Survey and Construction Act, increasing amounts of funds and defining distribution, as follows: Dr. Leonard A. Scheele, Surgeon General; Dr. R. H. Hutcheson, president, State and Territorial Health Association, Nashville; Dr. George T. Lull, American Medical Association; and Dr. Albert D. Kaiser, Regional Hospitals, Rochester, N. Y. Hearings continue Thursday.

VETERANS' LEGISLATION

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Subcommittee met in executive session to discuss all proposed veterans' legislation pending before the subcommittee, and to work out a program for its consideration, including decision on which bills hearings are to be held. Subcommittee adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Eleven public bills, H. R. 4516–4526; eight private bills, H. R. 4527–4534; and one resolution, H. J. Res. 237, were introduced. Page 5626

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. Res. 196, requesting information from the Secretary of State regarding denial of certain visas (H. Rept. 504);

H. R. 3881, to provide for use of State course of study in schools operated by the Bureau of Indian Affairs in South Dakota upon petition therefor (H. Rept. 505);

S. 270, to change name of Culbertson Dam on Republican River, Nebr., to Trenton Dam and to name body of water behind said dam Swanson Lake (H. Rept. 506);

S. 392, to issue a patent in fee to Thomas A. Pickett (H. Rept. 507);

S. 716, authorizing sale of certain land on Crow Indian Reservation, Mont. (H. Rept. 508);

H. R. 3616, to issue a patent in fee to Lulu Two Spears Iron Bird (H. Rept. 509); and

H. R. 3886, to issue a patent in fee to Jeanette Pearl Burns (H. Rept. 510). Page 5626

Taft-Hartley Repeal: The House, by a vote of 212 yeas to 209 nays, recommitted H. R. 2032, to repeal the Labor-Management Relations Act of 1947 and to reenact the National Labor Relations Act of 1935. Pages 5597–5598

Visa Denial: Voted to table H. Res. 196, requesting information from the Secretary of State pertaining to the denial of certain visas. Page 5600

Central Valley Project: Passed with committee amendments H. R. 165, authorizing the American River Basin development for irrigation and reclamation. The bill also extends and reauthorizes the Central Valley project, Calif., to include the Folsom Dam and Reservoir and supplemental works as a part of that project.

H. Res. 166, the rule for consideration of H. R. 165, was previously adopted by the House. Pages 5600–5609

Guided Missiles: Adopted conference report on H. R. 1741, to establish a long-range guided-missiles proving ground, thus clearing the measure for Presidential action. Pages 5609–5610

Virgin Islands Corporation: Adopted H. Res. 185, providing for consideration of, and 2 hours of general debate on, H. R. 2989, creating the Virgin Islands Corporation under Federal law to succeed the Virgin Islands Company, whose authority expires on June 30, 1949. After spending some time in debate on the measure, the House postponed further action until Thursday. Pages 5610–5617

White House Renovation: The Speaker appointed Representatives Rabaut and Keefe to serve on the Commission on Renovation of the Executive Mansion. Page 5617

Merchant Marine Academy. Mr. Wickersham was appointed to attend a meeting of the Board of Visitors of the U. S. Merchant Marine Academy in lieu of Mr. Bland. Page 5625

Coast Guard Academy: Mr. Garmatz was appointed to attend a meeting of the Board of Visitors of the U. S. Coast Guard Academy in lieu of Mr. Bland. Page 5625

Committee Meetings

FARM PROGRAM

Committee on Agriculture: Pace Special Subcommittee on Price Supports and Related Farm Programs heard the following witnesses relative to the potato section of the proposed program: Representatives Bonner, Barden, Macy, Hardy, and Auchincloss; Harry Wescott, representing North Carolina potato producers; William Duryee, representing the New Jersey State Potato Association; Amerherst Davis, of New York; Dr. Ed Cake, of Virginia; W. M. Case, executive secretary, Red River Valley Potato Growers Association, Inc., Grand Forks, N. Dak.; Claude E. Botkin, National Potato Council, Arvin, Calif.; C. G. McIntire, Perham, Maine; John Wickham, Long Island, N. Y.; John Broome, Aurora, N. C.; Lester Richard, Manistique, Mich.; Harold Bryant, general manager, Maine Potato Growers, Inc., Presque Isle, Maine, also representing the United Fruit and Vegetable Association; J. C. Jacobsen, Jr., president, Kern County Potato Growers Association, Bakersfield, Calif.; and Dell T. Skinner, of Lajara, Colo. The subcommittee heard the recommendations of the National Potato Council as points to be considered for incorporation in any long-time agricultural program that may be enacted in this Congress. These recommendations treated on flexible price supports, acreage goals, marketing agreements, compensatory or production payments, and the determination of a definite formula for determining State potato acreage allotments. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

LAND BANKS—FEED AND SEED LOANS

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee No. 1 approved H. R. 3699 for reporting to the full committee. This bill amends the Federal Farm Loan Act with

respect to Federal land bank loans to individual farmers, etc. Also considered H. R. 1394, H. R. 1316, and H. J. Res. 54, relating to emergency crop, seed, and feed loans. No action was taken on these measures.

PAY BILL—ARMORY LEGISLATION

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee No. 2 continued hearings on H. R. 2553, the armed services pay bill, and heard the testimony of Col. John Oliver, Reserve Officers Association; G. D. Tilghman, Disabled Emergency Officers of the World Wars; and John Williamson, Veterans of Foreign Wars. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

Subcommittee No. 3 continued executive discussions on armory legislation.

HOUSING

Committee on Banking and Currency: At today's hearings on H. R. 4009, the Housing Act of 1949, Gen. Ralph M. Smith, chairman, legislative committee, U. S. Savings and Loan League, presented the views of his organization in favor of a slum-clearance program but expressed disagreement with the means used in the bill under discussion. He stated that "there is no magic formula for clearing slums which is not available to States and municipalities," and urged a plan of Federal grants similar to the Federal-aid-to-roads program to be administered by the Federal Works Agency. Morton K. Bodfish, chairman, executive committee, U. S. Savings and Loan League, urged that the House of Representatives send a special fact-finding committee to England to study the results of its public housing program before launching upon a public housing program such as proposed in H. R. 4009; he spoke against the research provisions of the bill, claiming that such a program would lead more to propaganda and pressure for Government housing than to a balanced and fair research undertaking. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

CHILDREN'S FUND

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Maurice Pate, Director General, Children's Fund, discussed the operations of the International Children's Emergency Fund at today's executive session. Will resume on this topic tomorrow.

ANTI-POLL TAX

Committee on House Administration: Subcommittee on Elections continued hearings on anti-poll-tax bills with Representative Celler as its first witness, followed by Eleanor Neff, women's division, Methodist Church. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

FOOD RELABELING—RADIO

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: The Subcommittee on Securities and Exchange Commission, Federal Communications Commission, and Federal Trade Commission approved the following bills for reporting to the full committee: H. R. 160, to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act regarding examination and refusal of admission to permit, among other things, relabeling, and H. R. 4251, amending the Communications Act of 1934, to permit the FCC to make expenditures for land for radio monitoring stations.

JUDICIARY—IMMIGRATION—PATENTS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 3 heard witnesses on several private claims measures. Also, ordered reported favorably to the full committee 19 private House bills and 1 private Senate bill; 5 private House bills will be reported adversely.

Subcommittee No. 1 ordered reported favorably to the full committee H. R. 4446, to protect the public with respect to practitioners before administrative agencies; also agreed to report six private immigration bills favorably and one private immigration bill adversely to the full committee.

Subcommittee No. 4 heard the following witnesses on H. R. 4155, for the extension of patents in certain cases: Harry H. Hitzeman, patent attorney of Chicago; Fritz Lanham, former Member of Congress; and P. J. Federico, representing the Patent Office.

SHIP SALES-CHARTER

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: The Subcommittee on Maritime Affairs met in executive session and considered H. J. Res. 176, and related measures, to continue the authority of the Maritime Commission to sell, charter, and operate vessels. Will resume on this subject tomorrow.

POSTAL RATES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: The following opposition witnesses testified on H. R. 2945, to increase certain postal rates: Paul W. Barnett, representing the American Textbook Publishers, New York City; Russell Reynolds, executive secretary, National Association of College Stores, Chicago, Ill.; L. E. Woolley, Union Book Store, Lawrence, Kans.; Paul Howard, director, Washington office, American Library Association; and H. Willis Tobler, legislative department, National Cooperative Milk Producers' Federation, Washington, D. C.

SACRAMENTO VALLEY IRRIGATION

Committee on Public Lands: Unanimously reported H. R. 163 to the House. This bill would authorize Sacramento Valley irrigation canals, Central Valley project, California.

Previous to this action by the full committee, the Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation heard the following witnesses on the above-approved bill: Representative Scudder, author of H. R. 126, a similar measure; Max Vann, chairman, Sacramento Valley Water Committee; P. V. Harrigan, secretary, Glenn County unit, Sacramento Valley Irrigation Committee; Thomas B. Kees, supervisor, District No. 5, Tehama County, Calif., and chairman, Tehama County unit, Sacramento Valley Irrigation Committee; A. W. Bramwell, chairman, Butte County unit, Sacramento Valley Irrigation Committee; and James K. Carr, district manager, Sacramento Valley District, Bureau of Reclamation, who explained the proposed canals. All of the witnesses testified on behalf of the measure.

RIVERS AND HARBORS

Committee on Public Works: Continued hearings on river and harbor authorizations, considering the following projects and hearing the testimony of the witnesses as listed: St. Augustine Harbor, Fla., Representative Herlong; Col. Wayne S. Moore, resident member, Board of Engineers for Rivers and Harbors; and Brig. Gen. G. A. Youngbert (retired). St. Petersburg (Bayboro), Fla., Representative Peterson and Colonel Moore. Grand Marais Harbor, Mich., Representative Potter and Representative Hoffman of Michigan; Colonel Moore; and Judge Arthur D. Wood, Munising, Mich. Galveston Harbor and Channel, Tex., Representative Thompson; Colonel Moore; and Theodore Robinson, county judge, Galveston, Tex. Palm Beach, Fla., beach erosion study, Representative Rogers of Florida and Lt. Col. W. B. Stelzenmuller, Beach Erosion Board, Department of the Army. Robert W. Abbott, consulting engineer to the American Merchant Marine Institute, testified on four projects previously heard: Mystic River, Mass.; Boston Harbor, Mass.; Cape Fear River at and below Wilmington, N. C.; and Brunswick Harbor, Ga. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

VETERANS' BILLS

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Voted unanimously to report the following bills favorably to the House:

H. R. 2108, to amend the act entitled, "An act to provide increases of compensation for certain veterans with service-connected disabilities who have dependents," to define the term "wife" to include "dependent husband";

S. 460, to authorize the Administrator of Veterans' Affairs to reconvey to the Helena Chamber of Commerce certain described parcels of land situated in the city of Helena, Mont.;

S. 461, to clarify the provisions of section 602 (u) of the National Service Life Insurance Act of 1940; and

S. 1185, to provide that all employees of the Veterans' Canteen Service shall be paid from funds of the Service.

It was also agreed unanimously that all legislation having for its purpose the naming of hospitals for specified individuals be postponed indefinitely.

Appointed a subcommittee composed of Representatives Teague, Burton, and Davis of Wisconsin, to consider H. R. 4074, to liberalize hospitalization provisions for Spanish-American War veterans.

Thursday, May 5, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed Federal aid to education and blanket appropriation bills.

House passed bills establishing a Uniform Code of Military Justice and providing for Virgin Islands Corporation.

Agricultural and veterans bills were approved by Senate committees.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 5627–5633

Bills Introduced: Eighteen bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 1769 to S. 1786; and S. J. Res. 87. Pages 5631–5632, 5687

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 732, to amend the Agricultural Act of 1948 with respect to determination of marketing quotas and acreage allotments (S. Rept. 331);

S. 715, to amend the Agricultural Act of 1948 with respect to tobacco (S. Rept. 332);

S. 1089, to provide for inclusion of filberts under marketing agreements and orders (S. Rept. 333);

S. 1640, relating to membership of the National Forest Reservation Commission (S. Rept. 334);

S. Con. Res. 33, suspending the legislative budget (S. Rept. 335); and

S. 811, relating to retroactive pensions and compensation benefits payable to disabled or deceased veterans of World War II who were prisoners of war, with amendments (S. Rept. 336). Page 5631

Bill Referred: One House-passed bill was referred to appropriate committee. Page 5632

Appropriations: Senate passed and cleared for the President H. J. Res. 226, temporarily making blanket appropriations to certain Government departments pending passage of H. R. 2632, first deficiency appropriations for 1949. Pages 5674–5676

Federal Aid to Education: By 58 yeas to 15 nays, Senate passed S. 246, Federal aid to education, after taking the following action on amendments:

Rejected: by voice vote, McMahon amendment providing that funds for school bus transportation shall be spent without regard to race, creed, color, or as to character of school service; by voice vote, Langer amendment requiring Federal audit of expenditures of funds in each State under act; by 3 yeas to 71 nays, Donnell amendment to make certain that Federal funds under act shall be for public schools only; by voice vote, amendment of Senator Johnson of Colorado, requiring each State to use at least 75 percent of funds under act to pay teachers' salaries; by 11 yeas to 65 nays, Bricker amendment in the nature of a substitute to provide Federal aid to States for construction of public school facilities; and, by voice vote, Frear amendment limiting operation of act to 2 years.

Vote by which Senate had previously agreed to committee amendment giving Commissioner of Education access to State school records, was reconsidered, and Gillette amendment thereto, eliminating such language, was then by voice vote adopted.

Pages 5633–5674, 5677–5687

D. C. Revenue: Senate made H. R. 3704, to provide additional revenue for the D. C. by levying a tax on gross sales and increasing rates on various existing taxes, the unfinished business. Page 5687

Nominations: One hundred and twenty-seven routine naval nominations were received. Pages 5687–5688

Committee Meetings

TOBACCO, FILBERTS, FOREST COMMISSION, AND MARKETING QUOTAS

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: In executive session, committee voted to report without amendment the following bills: S. 715, to amend the Agricultural Act of 1948 with respect to tobacco; S. 732, to amend the Agricultural Act of 1948 with respect to determination of marketing quotas and acreage allotments; S. 1089, to provide for inclusion of filberts under marketing agreements and orders; and S. 1640, relating to membership of the National Forest Reservation Commission.

AGRICULTURE APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee concluded marking up and approved for reporting to the full committee at its next meeting H. R. 3997, Agriculture appropriations for 1950. As approved, the bill would appropriate $723,083,249, an increase of $21,961,170 over the House-approved bill.

STATE, JUSTICE, COMMERCE, AND JUDICIARY APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Secretary of State Acheson appeared before the subcommittee in support of funds for the Department of State, in connection with hearings on H. R. 4016, State, Justice, Commerce, and Judiciary appropriations for 1950. He will continue his testimony Friday.

BATTLE OF BULGE—MILITARY TRIALS

Committee on Armed Services: Edward Leroy Van Roden, member of the Simpson Commission Investigating the Malmedy Trials, continued his testimony, and Dwight Fanton, commanding officer of the prosecuting team of Malmedy trials, testified for the first time, both before the subcommittee, to give general background in connection with hearings on S. Res. 42, to investigate military trials of persons who massacred American soldiers in the Battle of the Bulge. Subcommittee meets again Friday.

NATIONAL SECURITY ACT—DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Committee on Armed Services: Ferdinand Eberstadt, member of the Commission on Organization of the Executive Branch of the Government (so-called Hoover Commission), appeared before the committee to testify in support of the so-called economy amendment (a new section, section 4 of the bill to implement the authority over the budgets of the military services) to S. 1269, to convert the National Military Establishment into an executive department to be known as the Department of Defense, and to establish the responsibility and authority of the Secretary of Defense (National Security Act amendments of 1949). Hearings continue Friday.

GOLD

Committee on Banking and Currency: Committee opened hearings on S. 13 and S. 286, to authorize sale and purchase or acquisition of gold in the U. S., with the following witnesses testifying in support of the legislation: Senator McCarran; Joseph Stagg Lawrence, vice president, Empire Trust Co., New York; James D. Mooney, president, Willys Overland Motor Co., Toledo; Willford R. King, chairman, Committee for Constitutional Government, New York; Thomas C. Boushall, president, Bank of Virginia, Richmond; George M. Clark, president, Pioneer Bank, Chattanooga; Donald H. McLaughlin, president, Homestake Mining Co., San Francisco; and David P. Strickler, president, Myron Stratton Home, Colorado Springs. Committee continues Friday.

D. C. NURSERY SCHOOLS

Committee on the District of Columbia: Subcommittee on Public Health, Education, and Recreation heard testimony from the following witnesses on S. 1388 and H. R. 3967, to continue child day-care centers in the District: Corporation Counsel Vernon E. West; John Tramburg, Director, and Mrs. Lewis, representing Children's Bureau, both of Board of Public Welfare; Mrs. Mary Gary, Mrs. Marguerite Grey, Mrs. Lena Lidji, and Mrs. Thelma Bodiford, all D. C. mothers; Mrs. Park Clifford, AFL; and Rev. Leonard Edmunds, Washington Federation of Churches. Subcommittee continues May 9.

VETERANS AND NOMINATION

Committee on Finance: Committee voted to report favorably the nomination of Lynn R. Edminster to reappointment to the U. S. Tariff Commission.

The following two bills were voted reported: with three technical clarifying amendments, S. 811, relating to retroactive pensions and compensation benefits payable to disabled or deceased veterans of World War II who were prisoners of war; and a completely revised version of S. 266, to permit a refund of pension or compensation withheld from an incompetent veteran while hospitalized when released as a competent veteran.

Eight other veterans' bills (S. 725, 596, 349, 350, 269, 268, 578, and 267) were considered but final action on them was deferred.

Committee meets again next Thursday, May 12, to hold further hearings on the nomination of Judge Marion Harron to be judge of U. S. Tax Court.

NORTH ATLANTIC PACT

Committee on Foreign Relations: Continuing hearings on the North Atlantic Pact, the committee heard the following opposition witnesses: Henry A. Wallace, representing the Progressive Party; Dr. Annette Rubenstein, representing the American Labor Party; and Farrell Dobbs, representing the Socialist Workers Party. Committee continues Friday.

AIR-LINE INDUSTRY

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: James Ray, aeronautical consultant, appeared before the committee to discuss activities and value of feeder-line services, and the financial aspects of the feeder-line industry, in pursuance of S. Res. 50, to authorize study and investigation of the financial condition and operating efficiency of the air-line industry. Committee meets again May 9.

NOMINATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee held routine hearings on the nomination of Representative Eberharter to be U. S. district judge for western district of Pennsylvania.

MEDICAL RESEARCH

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Continuing hearings on S. 1651 and related bills, to support research and training in rheumatism and arthritis, multiple sclerosis, cerebral palsy, and epilepsy, the subcommittee heard the following witnesses give their views on S. 1538, to create a National Cerebral Palsy Institute: Dr. Ross T. McIntire, Washington, D. C.; Dr. Rene Caillet, Kabat-Kaiser Institute, Washington, D. C.; Miss Lily Mae Clawson, president, Spastics of America, Wichita; Miss Ruth E. Loyster, past president, Admiral Mahlon S. Tisdale, Sr. (Retired), Paul A. Strachan, president, and Harry S. Wender, general counsel, all of American Federation of Physically Handicapped. Subcommittee meets again May 9.

HOSPITAL CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee on Hospital Construction and Local Public Health Units continued hearings on S. 614, to amend the Hospital Survey and Construction Act, increasing amounts of funds and defining distribution, receiving testimony from the following witnesses: E. A. Van Steenwyk, Associated Hospital Service of Philadelphia; Dr. D. V. Galloway and J. O. Slaughter, both of Mississippi Commission on Hospital Care, and Frank E. Smith, Mississippi State senator (all introduced by Senator Stennis); Dr. John A. Ferrell, North Carolina Medical Care Commission; Dr. William T. Sanger, Medical College of Virginia; Angus MacDonald, Farmers Educational and Cooperative Union of America; and Horace Hansen, Cooperative Health Federation of America. Subcommittee continues May 9.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Nineteen public bills, H. R. 4535–4553; eleven private bills, H. R. 4554–4564; and five resolutions, H. Res. 202–206, were introduced.

Pages 5718, 5745–5746

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. R. 2108, to amend Public Law 877 (80th Cong.), to define the term "wife" to include "dependent husband" (H. Rept. 511);

S. 460, reconveyance of certain land to the Helena, Mont., Chamber of Commerce by Administrator of Veterans' Affairs (H. Rept. 512);

S. 461, to clarify the provisions of section 602 (u) of the National Service Life Insurance Act of 1940 (H. Rept. 513);

S. 1185, to pay employees of the Veterans' Canteen Service from funds of the Service (H. Rept. 514);

Report from the Committee on Post Office and Civil Service entitled "Survey and Study of the Postal Service" (the utilization of railway mail cars and storage cars on the return movement) (H. Rept. 515);

H. Res. 202, providing for consideration of, and 2 hours of debate on, H. R. 782, to constitute the Federal Security Agency a Department of Welfare (H. Rept. 516);

H. Res. 203, providing for consideration of, and 2 hours of debate on, H. R. 3559, to strengthen and improve the organization and administration of the Department of State (H. Rept. 517);

H. Res. 204, providing for consideration of, and 1 hour of debate on, H. R. 4392, to provide for the payment of compensation to the Swiss Government for losses and damages inflicted on Swiss territory during World War II by U. S. armed forces (H. Rept. 518);

H. Res. 205, providing for consideration of, and 1 hour of debate on, H. R. 3005, to regulate subsistence expenses and mileage allowances of civilian officers and employees of the Government (H. Rept. 519); and

Fifteen private bills, S. 683, S. J. Res. 18, H. R. 703, 1173, 1470, 1496, 1619, 1620, 1676, 2759, 3320, 3321, 3471, 3720, and 4307 (H. Repts. 520–534, respectively).

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Culbertson Dam: Passed S. 270, to change name of Culbertson Dam on Republican River, Nebr., to Trenton Dam and to name body of water behind said dam Swanson Lake. Page 5688

Virgin Islands Corporation: Passed, by 273 yeas to 62 nays, H. R. 2989, creating the Virgin Islands Corporation under Federal law to succeed the Virgin Islands Company. Amendments were adopted designed to protect private industry from competition of the Corporation and to prevent the manufacture of rum or other alcoholic beverages by the Virgin Islands Corporation. An amendment was adopted that prevents more than four of the seven members of the Board of Directors being of the same party. Also adopted committee and perfecting amendments. Pages 5693–5718

Military Justice: Passed, by voice vote, H. R. 4080, to enact and establish a Uniform Code of Military Justice. Adopted an amendment to leave to the discretion of the court martial the punishment of personnel convicted of conduct unbecoming an officer and a gentleman. Also adopted numerous committee amendments.

H. Res. 201, making in order the consideration of H. R. 4080, was previously adopted. Pages 5718–5744

Committee Meetings

FARM PROGRAM, WHEAT

Committee on Agriculture: Pace Special Subcommittee on Price Supports and National Farm Program heard representatives of the wheat-growing industry at today's hearings. The following testified: R. B. Taylor, Oregon Wheat Growers League, accompanied by Paulen Kaseberg, president of the league; Ray Small, president, and Leo Horrigan, vice president, both of the Washington-Idaho Wheat Growers League; H. R. Weatherford, chairman, field crops committee, Oregon State Farm Bureau, and E. J. Bell, administrator, Oregon Wheat Commission; C. H. Kuper, Dalhart, R. V. Converse, Spearman, R. C. Buckles, Stratford, W. H. Upchurch, Canyon, and Vern L. Reynolds, Conlen, all of Texas; H. O. Wales, Cheyenne Wells, and A. F. Wenger, Eads, both of Colorado; and Ward W. Sullivan, Hays, Oliver Brown, Liberal, and Henry Parkinson, Scott City, all of Kansas.

Mr. Taylor, speaking for the Wheat Growers League, presented a plan endorsed in general by the farm organizations in the Pacific Northwest. He offered suggestions regarding how a two-price plan for wheat might be put in operation. He pointed out that acreage allotments worked a hardship on farmers in semiarid regions who were already following a straight wheat and summer fallow system. For this reason they would like to see the two-price plan as an alternative to acreage limitation. It was his thought that the plan proposed by the Secretary of Agriculture would not correct the difficulty. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

PAY BILL

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee No. 2 heard the following witnesses on H. R. 2553, armed services pay bill: Maj. Gen. Milton A. Reckord and Maj. Gen. Ellard A. Walsh, both of National Guard Assn.; Master Sgt. Gerald W. Murphy and Sgt. Paul F. Moose, both of the U. S. Air Force; Chief Yeoman J. W. Sands and Boatswain's Mate 1c J. H. King, both of the U. S. Navy; and Sgt. 1c Brooks A. Atherton and Corp. Frank Vito, U. S. Army. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

HOUSING

Committee on Banking and Currency: Further considered H. R. 4009, the Housing Act of 1949. Witnesses appearing were: Thomas S. Holden, president, F. W. Dodge Corp., publishers; Joseph T. King, National Association of Retail Lumber Dealers; Lloyd C. Halvorson, National Grange; George W. Proffitt, National Apartment Owners Association; George M. Fuller, National Lumber Manufacturers Association; and Harry S. Barger for the National Economic Council, Inc., all of whom testified in opposition to Federal public housing. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

CHILDREN'S FUND

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Continued discussions in executive session on the International Children's Emergency Fund and heard Dallas Dort, State Department; Miss Katherine Lenroot, United States member of the Executive Board of the United Nations International Children's Emergency Fund; and Mrs. Oswald B. Lord, chairman of the United States Committee for the International Children's Emergency Fund. Committee will continue executive discussions on Monday, May 9.

ANTI-POLL TAX

Committee on House Administration: Subcommittee on Elections continued hearings on anti-poll-tax bills and received testimony from Leslie S. Perry, National Association for the Advancement of Colored People; Tom Harris, CIO; and Charles E. Sands, AFL. Will resume hearings on this subject Tuesday, May 10.

CIVIL AERONAUTICS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: The Subcommittee on Transportation completed public hearings on H. R. 4082, to amend the Civil Aeronautics Act by authorizing the Civil Aeronautics Board to delegate its functions to separate members of the Board, or to other employees whose responsibilities are sufficiently important. Witnesses testifying were E. T. Nunnelly, Jr., chief counsel, Civil Aeronautics Board, and S. G. Tipton, general counsel, Air Transport Association of America.

DISPLACED PERSONS

Committee on the Judiciary: Agreed on provisions of a bill to amend the Displaced Persons Act of 1948, raising the number of admissible aliens from 205,000 to 339,000; extending the administration of the program from 2 to 3 years; changing the date of entry for purpose of eligibility of displaced persons into the defined geographical areas from December 22, 1945, to January 1, 1949. The chairman was authorized to introduce the committee bill, which will be filed on Monday next. Also, 7 private immigration bills and 18 private claims bills were ordered reported favorably to the House. One private immigration bill and five private claims bills were tabled.

SHIP SALES-CHARTER

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Subcommittee on Maritime Affairs approved for reporting to the full committee H. J. Res. 235, to continue the authority of the Maritime Commission to sell, charter, and operate vessels, with an amendment. Adjourned subject to the call of the Chair.

CIVIL SERVICE—COTTON STATISTICS—STAR ROUTES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Ordered the following bills reported to the House:

H. R. 86, to make the Civil Service Retirement Act applicable to the Columbia Institution for the Deaf;

H. R. 3444, to provide for collection and publication of cotton statistics;

H. R. 3512, to amend the Civil Service Retirement Act to authorize exemption of certain employees of the Library of Congress whose employment is temporary or of uncertain duration; and

H. R. 4498, a clean bill introduced in lieu of H. R. 3842, relative to transportation of all classes of mail by aircraft on star routes.

The committee also adopted a resolution that no further action will be taken on commemorative stamps in this Congress.

RIVER COMPACTS

Committee on Public Lands: Ordered the following bills reported to the House:

H. R. 3482, granting U. S. consent to compact negotiations on Canadian river waters; and

H. R. 3334, granting U. S. consent to the Pecos River compact.

Also considered, but took no action, on H. R. 1694, providing for return of rehabilitation and betterment costs of Federal reclamation projects. Adjourned subject to the call of the Chair.

ALASKA HOMESTEADING

Committee on Public Lands: Special subcommittee opened hearings on H. R. 4424, development of homesteads in Alaska by war veterans. Speaking in favor of the bill were Preston Peden, former Member of Congress, and Marion Clawson, Director of the Bureau of Land Management, Department of the Interior, who also suggested some changes. Mr. Clawson was accompanied by Robert K. Coote, Acting Chief, Division of Land Planning, and Reginald C. Price, special assistant to the Assistant Secretary of the Interior. Hearings will be resumed on Thursday, May 12.

CENTRAL ARIZONA PROJECT

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation took further testimony from V. E. Larson, assistant regional planning engineer for Region III of the Bureau of Reclamation, regarding the feasibility of the bill under consideration, H. R. 934, to authorize construction of dams on the Colorado River at Bridge Canyon. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

GUAM—AMERICAN SAMOA

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Territorial and Insular Possessions considered H. R. 4499, providing a civil government for the island of Guam, and H. R. 4500, providing a civil government for American Samoa. Julius A. Krug, Secretary of the Interior, urged enactment of this legislation; Capt. Peter G. Hale, U. S. Navy, stated that the Navy favored enactment of organic legislation for both islands; Assemblywoman Barrett, from Guam, spoke in behalf of H. R. 4499.

Also testifying was Irwin W. Silverman, chief counsel, Division of Territories, Department of the Interior.

INDIANS

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Indian Affairs considered, but deferred action on, H. R. 4505, to vest title to certain lands in the Pueblo of Laguna, N. Mex. Testifying in favor of this bill were Representative Fernandez; Frances Lapinsky; and John Sarracino, Governor, Felix Cohen, attorney, and George Pradt and Walter Sarracino, representatives, all of the Laguna Pueblo, N. Mex. Adjourned subject to the call of the Chair.

RIVERS AND HARBORS

Committee on Public Works: Continued consideration of river and harbor authorizations, with Col. Wayne S. Moore, resident member, Board of Engineers for Rivers and Harbors, speaking on all of the projects which are listed with other witnesses, as follows: Sabine-Neches Waterway, Port Arthur, Tex., Representative Combs, and O. B. McWhorter, city attorney, Port Arthur, Tex.; Little Bay, Fulton, Tex.; Mississippi River at Davenport, Iowa, Representative Martin of Iowa; Mississippi River at Alma, Wis.; Mississippi River at Prairie du Chien, Representative Withrow; Kenosha Harbor, Wis.; Mississippi River at Muscatine, Iowa, Representative Martin of Iowa and B. E. McKean, manager, Muscatine Chamber of Commerce; Mississippi River at Clinton, Iowa; Chocolate and Bastrop Bayous, Tex.; Manistique Harbor, Mich., Representative Potter and Lyndon Spencer, executive vice president, Lake Carriers Association; Trenton Channel, Detroit River, Mich., Marshall Pease, Detroit Edison Co.; Capt. H. F. Wiersch, Columbia Transportation Co.; and Lyndon Spencer, executive vice president, Lake Carriers Association; Redwood City Harbor, Calif., Representative Anderson of California and B. C. Allin, consulting engineer; San Joaquin River, Stockton Channel, Calif., Representative Johnson of California, E. E. Ferrari, director, Port of Stockton, and R. L. Eberhardt, chairman, Stockton Port Commission; and Mississippi River at Hannibal, Mo. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

FSA—MILEAGE ALLOWANCES—STATE DEPARTMENT—SWISS CLAIMS

Committee on Rules: Granted rules providing for House debate and consideration on four bills. For numbers and titles of these measures see H. Res. 202-205, inclusive, under Bills Reported in this DIGEST's House Chamber Action. Representative Dawson urged favorable consideration of the rules on the Federal Security Agency bill (H. R. 782), and on bill to regulate mileage and subsistence expenses of Government employees (H. R. 3005). Representative Kee spoke on behalf of the State Department organization bill (H. R. 3559), and the Swiss Government damage-claim bill (H. R. 4392). Representative Vorys also favored the rule for the State Department bill.

SOCIAL SECURITY

Committee on Ways and Means: Began executive consideration of amendments to the Social Security Act. Will resume on this subject tomorrow.

Joint Committee Meetings

AEC FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: In closed session, committee agreed to hold open hearings in the near future on the AEC fellowship program.

FIRST DEFICIENCY APPROPRIATIONS

Conferees on H. R. 2632, first deficiency appropriations for 1949, met again in executive session but were unable to reach complete compromise on the differences between the House- and Senate-passed versions of the bill. Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

Friday, May 6, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed 75 unobjected-to measures and debated D. C. revenue bill.
General Service Agency bill voted reported to Senate.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 5806–5810

Bills Introduced: Twenty-one bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1787 to S. 1807; and S. J. Res. 88 and 89. Page 5808

Bill Reported: One report was made, as follows: S. 266, to permit a refund of pension or compensation withheld from an incompetent veteran while hospitalized when released as a competent veteran, with amendments (S. Rept. 337). Page 5808

Bills Referred: Three House-passed bills were referred to appropriate committees. Page 5810

Rereference of Bill: Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs was discharged from further consideration of S. 1710, to amend an act entitled "To authorize leases of real or personal property by War and Navy Departments," and it was rereferred to the Committee on Armed Services. Page 5810

Calendar Bills Passed: On call of the calendar, 74 unobjected-to measures, of which 49 were private, were passed as follows:

Without amendment and cleared for President:

Private bills: Twenty-five private bills: H. R. 668, 711, 1010, 1035, 1041, 1052, 1079, 1101, 1460, 1508, 1591, 1629, 1876, 1467, 1468, 1489, 1983, 2231, 2710, 2935, 2605, 1029, 1030, 1109, and 1281.

With amendment, to be sent back to House:

Artificial limbs: H. R. 3932, to exempt artificial limbs from duty if imported for personal use and not for sale;

U. S. Code: H. R. 3762, to amend titles 18 and 28 of U. S. Code, on criminal and judicial procedure;

Public housing: H. R. 2440, to authorize sale of suburban resettlement projects known as Greenbelt, Md., Greendale, Wis., and Greenhills, Ohio; and

Private bills: Two private bills: H. R. 679 and 2360.

Without amendment and cleared for House:

Economic problems: S. Con. Res. 26, authorizing Joint Committee on Economic Report to investigate certain economic problems, and to provide $30,000 for that purpose;

Indians: S. 187, to provide for settlement of certain obligations of the U. S. to the Indians of New York;

St. Croix Monument: S. 292, to establish the St. Croix Island National Monument, Maine;

State Department: S. 1704, to strengthen and improve the organization of the State Department;

Measurements: S. 441, to redefine the units and establish the standards of electrical and photometric measurements;

Economic Indicators: S. J. Res. 55, to print the monthly publication entitled "Economic Indicators";

Civil-service retirement: S. 1459, to amend the Civil Service Retirement Act by waiving time limitations in the case of employees whose disabling condition is essentially chronic;

Mining: S. 353, to allow prospecting and mining without permit or charge on certain areas in the Santa Fe National Forest, N. Mex.;

Mining: S. 812, to allow prospecting and mining without permit or charge on certain areas in the Coconino National Forest, Ariz.;

Marketing quotas: S. 732, to amend the Agricultural Act of 1948 with respect to determination of marketing quotas and acreage allotments;

Tobacco: S. 715, to amend the Agricultural Act of 1948 with respect to tobacco;

Filberts: S. 1089, to provide for inclusion of filberts under marketing agreements and orders;

Forest Commission: S. 1640, relating to membership of the National Forest Reservation Commission;

Civil-service retirement: S. 1229, to enable certain former employees of the U. S. to elect return of civil-service retirement contributions plus interest in lieu of annuities; and

Private bills: Thirteen private bills: S. 835, 836, 1058, 1142, 1036, 1037, 1038, S. Con. Res. 31 and 32, S. 623, 1266, S. Con. Res. 34 and 29.

With amendment and cleared for House:

Insane: S. 934, relative to care and detention of persons of unsound mind in certain Federal reservations in Virginia and Maryland;

Tin: S. 1433, to allow the RFC to sell low-grade tin concentrates to private industry at no greater loss than it would cost the RFC to process it;

Eden project: S. 55, to authorize completion of construction and development of Eden project in Wyoming;

Kansas court: S. 259, to discontinue divisions of the court in the district of Kansas;

Veterans: S. 811, relating to retroactive pensions and compensation benefits payable to disabled or deceased veterans of World War II who were prisoners of war;

Civil-service retirement: S. 1023, to amend the Civil Service Retirement Act so as to grant credit for service for which no deductions from salary are made; and

Private bills: Eight private bills: S. 837, 1057, 1040, 1152, 113, 322, 275, and 584.

Simple resolutions adopted:

Railroads: S. Res. 34, to investigate contracts with railroads for carrying mail;

Committee expenditures: S. Res. 101, to authorize additional funds for the Committee on Banking and Currency for committee expenditures; and

Private bill: One private bill: S. Res. 112.

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Shipping: H. J. Res. 91, to authorize cancellation of agreement between port of Seattle and U. S. regarding shipping facilities, was passed. S. J. Res. 32, a similar Senate bill, had been passed on April 11. Page 5838

D. C. Revenue: Senate then debated H. R. 3704, to provide additional revenue for the D. C. by levying a tax on gross sales and increasing rates on various existing rates. Pages 5838, 5855

Confirmations: Senate confirmed one Navy nomination, and the nominations of Lynn R. Edminster to be member of U. S. Tariff Commission, and of Rear Adm. Paul L. Mather to be War Assets Administrator.

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Nominations: A total of 20 nominations were received, including 19 civilian and 1 Navy. Page 5855

Committee Meetings

CROP PRODUCTION—FATS AND OILS

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Continuing its hearings in pursuance of S. Res. 36, authorizing investigation of matters relating to crop production and utilization, subcommittee heard Representative Keefe give a report on his activities concerning the use of chemicals in food products, and Wilbur LaRoe, Jr., National Meat Packers Association, review the fats and oils situation. George L. Prichard, Director of Fats and Oils Branch, Department of Agriculture, submitted additional information. Subcommittee meets again May 11.

STATE, JUSTICE, COMMERCE, AND JUDICIARY APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee held further hearings on H. R. 4016, State, Justice, Commerce, Judiciary appropriations for 1950, and heard Secretary of State Acheson, accompanied by his assistants, in support of funds generally for the Department; William O. Hall, Office of Budget and Planning, and John Peurifoy, Assistant Secretary of State, and their assistants, on funds for international contingencies; and Frank Clayton, counsel, and assistants, of the International Boundary and Water Commission, U. S. and Mexico, in support of funds for the Commission. Hearings continue May 9.

NATIONAL SECURITY ACT—DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Committee on Armed Services: Gilbert L. Cake, Bureau of Accounts, Treasury Department; Charles B. Stauffacher, Administrative Management Section, Bureau of Budget; and W. J. McNeil, special assistant to the Secretary of Defense, testified to give the committee information on the so-called economy amendment (a new section, section 4 of the bill to implement the authority over the budgets of the military services) to S. 1269, to convert the National Military Establishment into an executive department to be known as the Department of Defense, and to establish the responsibility and authority of the Secretary of Defense (National Security Act amendments of 1949). Hearings continue May 10.

BATTLE OF BULGE—MILITARY TRIALS

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee, continuing its hearings on S. Res. 42, to investigate military trials of persons who massacred American soldiers in the Battle of the Bulge, heard the following witnesses give general background information on the part they played in the Malmedy trials: Maj. John Temple Evans, commanding officer of the security personnel; Jack A. Owens, assistant to the officer-in-charge of guard personnel; and William T. Fitzgerald, security officer-in-charge of guarding prisoners. Subcommittee meets again May 9.

GOLD

Committee on Banking and Currency: Senator Johnson of Colorado, and Representative Engle; Fred M. Searles, president, Newmont Mining Co., N. Y.; and John J. Rowe, president, Fifth, Third Union Trust Co., Cincinnati, appeared before the committee to testify in support of S. 13 and S. 286, to authorize sale and purchase or acquisition of gold in the U. S.

The following witnesses appeared in opposition to the legislation: Representative Sanborn; Dr. Walter E. Spahr and Dr. James Washington Bell, both of Economists' National Committee on Monetary Policy; Dr. Donald L. Kemmerer, University of Illinois; Rev. Bernard W. Dempsey, St. Louis University; Dr. E. C. Harwood, American Institute for Economic Research, Great Barrington, Mass.; Prof. William E. Dunkman, University of Rochester, N. Y.; and Philip M. McKenna, president, Kennametal, Inc., Latrobe, Pa.

FEDERAL PROPERTY ACT

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: In executive session, by vote of 11 to 0, the committee voted to introduce and report a new bill to be known as "The Federal Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949." The bill as approved by the committee contains original provisions of S. 990 the Federal Property Act of 1949, and the major provisions of the Hoover Commission recommendations embodied in S. 991, to establish an Office of General Services.

This new bill would establish a General Services Agency, to which would be transferred: Bureau of Federal Supply and Office of Contract Settlement, Treasury Department; Federal Works Agency; National Archives; and would provide for the liquidation of the affairs of the War Assets Administration.

A proposed provision which would have extended beyond December 31, 1949, the public benefit allowances for education, under the Surplus Property Act, was postponed for further consideration by the committee.

The title of the committee print of the bill as approved is "To simplify the procurement, utilization, and disposal of Government property, and to reorganize certain agencies of the Government."

NORTH ATLANTIC PACT

Committee on Foreign Relations: The following witnesses appeared before the committee to testify generally in support of the North Atlantic Pact: Charles P. Taft; Owen J. Roberts, president, Atlantic Union Committee; Allan Klein, president, American Farm Bureau Federation; James W. Gerard; and Frederick C. McKee, chairman, Committee on National Affairs. Hearings continue May 9.

UN-AMERICAN ACTIVITIES

Committee on the Judiciary: John C. Williamson, VFW, and Robert E. McLaughlin, AMVETS, appeared before the subcommittee to testify in support of S. 1194 and S. 1196, to protect the U. S. against certain un-American and subversive activities.

Ada V. Jackson, Congress of American Women, and Benjamin C. Sigal, ADA and American Civil Liberties Union, appeared in opposition to the bills. Subcommittee meets again next Friday, May 13.

RURAL ROADS

Committee on Public Works: Continuing its hearings on S. 244 and S. 1471, to authorize regular appropriations for the construction of rural local roads, the Subcommittee on Roads heard Senator Long, and Judge M. W. Forman, legislative chairman of County Officials of Alabama, testify in support of the provisions of the bills.

The following witnesses appeared generally in opposition to the bills as now written: Charles Upham, American Road Builders Association; W. A. Stinchcomb, chairman of highway committee, AAA; H. E. Forman, Associated General Contractors of America; and Carl W. Brown, president, Spencer Miller, Jr., F. R. White, D. C. Greer, and B. D. Tallamy, all of American Association of State Highway Officials.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Monday, May 9, at 12 o'clock noon.

Committee Meetings

FARM PROGRAM, WHEAT

Committee on Agriculture: Further testimony was furnished by representatives of the wheat-growing industry at today's hearings conducted by the Pace Special Subcommittee on Price Supports and National Farm Program. The witnesses were Frank Wooley, Assistant Administrator, Production and Marketing Administration, Department of Agriculture; Herbert Hughes, Great Plains Wheat Committee; Dr. Ward Sullivan and Henry Parkinson, both of the Western Kansas Development Association; Oliver O. Brown, Eastern Colorado Development Association; and Paulen W. Kaseberg, president, Oregon Wheat Growers Association.

Recommendations for the wheat program were made with respect to carry-over allowance, mandatory acreage allotments, exclusion of 1949 acreage, base period for allotments, amount of national allotment, effective date of the Agricultural Act of 1948, announcement of referendum results, amount of marketing quotas, use of diverted acres, termination of quotas, program when quotas are defeated, and storage allowances.

Mr. Wooley of the Agriculture Department had no specific recommendations to make at this time, and was requested by the chairman to appear Wednesday, May 11, at which time he will present the views of the Department. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

PAY BILL

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee No. 2 approved for reporting to the full committee on H. R. 2553, armed services pay bill.

LAND EASEMENT—PHILIPPINE SCOUTS

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee No. 1 approved the following bills for reporting to the full committee: H. R. 263, Navy easement to Orange County, Calif.; S. 1219, Army conveyance to Charleston, S. C.; S. 1181, appointment of officers on active list of Philippine Scouts in Regular Army. Representatives of the Army and Navy testified on these bills.

The committee considered but took no action on S. 1294, a private bill, with R. H. Hoeppel testifying on the measure.

HOUSING

Committee on Banking and Currency: Witnesses testifying on H. R. 4009, Housing Act of 1949, were Gen. Thomas F. Farrell, chairman, New York Housing Authority, representing Mayor O'Dwyer, of New York City; Mayor Thomas D'Alesandro, of Baltimore, Md.; Oscar Kreutz, National Savings and Loan League; Representative Javits; Lloyd Hatcher, Atlanta, Ga.; Calvin Snyder, Robert Gerholz, and William Davis, all of the National Association of Real Estate Boards; and Douglas Whitlock, Building Products Institute.

Mr. Kreutz commended the broad purposes of the bill with respect to slum clearance, but contended that the determination of these programs should be maintained at the local community level. Representative Javits spoke in favor of a housing bill (H. R. 1973) of which he is the author, and particularly for direct loans to limited dividend corporations and redevelopment companies, nonprofit corporations, and mutual housing associations. The representatives of the National Association of Real Estate Boards testified in opposition to the bill. Mr. Whitlock opposed the bill, not because its objectives are unworthy or because the problems it seeks to solve are not serious, but because he believes the legislation will not measurably contribute to providing

better housing for those most in need. Hearings will be continued on Monday.

AERONAUTICS—MONITORING STATIONS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Ordered the following two bills reported favorably to the House, both with amendments:

H. R. 4082, to amend the Civil Aeronautics Act by authorizing the Civil Aeronautics Board to delegate its functions to separate members of the Board, or other responsible employees; and

H. R. 4251, to amend the Communications Act to allow the FCC to purchase land for monitoring stations.

INVENTIONS, ROYALTIES

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 4 heard Roy C. Hackley, Chief of Patent Section, Department of Justice, and George E. Folk, representing the National Association of Manufacturers, on H. R. 2477, to provide for the adjustment of royalties and like charges for the use of inventions for the benefit of or by the United States. Hearings to be continued May 20.

POSTAL RATES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: At the hearings on H. R. 2945, to increase certain postal rates, the committee heard further opposition testimony from the following witnesses: L. Lowell Wilkin, general manager, Wilnit Hosiery Co., Greenfield, Ohio; James M. Mosely, president, Mosely Selective List Service, Boston, Mass.; J. M. George, general counsel, National Association of Direct Selling Companies; C. J. Brooks, vice president, C & D Co., Grand Rapids, Mich.; and Paul C. Tully, manager, Educators' Association, Washington, D. C. Hearings will be resumed on Monday.

CENTRAL ARIZONA PROJECT

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation continued hearings on H. R. 934, to authorize construction of dams on the Colorado River at Bridge Canyon. Engineering data on the project was presented by W. W. Lane, consulting engineer, Phoenix, Ariz.; and E. B. Debler, Arizona State consulting engineer. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

SOCIAL SECURITY

Committee on Ways and Means: Continued executive discussion of amendments to the Social Security Act. Will continue on same topic next Monday.

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HIGHLIGHTS

Senate debated D. C. revenue bill.
Housing census bill passed by House.
Hearings on public-housing legislation concluded by House committee.

Senate

Chamber Action

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Bills Introduced: Four bills and three resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1808 to S. 1811; S. J. Res. 90; S. Con. Res. 36; and S. Res. 115. Page 5859

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 1809, Federal Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949 (S. Rept. 338);

The following private bills: S. Con. Res. 36, S. 1054, 1080, 1086, 1138, H. R. 580, 585, 650, 681, 692, 761, 1098, 1300, 1597, 2089, 2261, 2268, 2474, and S. 1167 (S. Repts. 339 to 357, respectively);

S. 1483, to include in title 18 of U. S. Code embezzling, converting, or retaking by fraud automobiles and aircraft (with amendments) (S. Rept. 358); and

H. R. 1288 and H. R. 1299, private bills (S. Repts. 359 and 360). Pages 5858–5859

President's Message: Message from President recommending enactment of legislation for reorganization of Federal Government was received. Page 5908

D. C. Revenue: Senate continued debate on H. R. 3704, to provide additional revenue for the D. C. by levying a tax on gross sales and increasing rates on various existing taxes. Pending at recess was an amendment by Senator Johnston of South Carolina in the nature of a substitute providing that the Federal Government pay 25 percent of the D. C. budget. Pages 5866–5888

Treaty Received: International Convention for Northwest Fisheries, signed at Washington February 8, 1949 (Exec. N) was received and referred to Committee on Foreign Relations. Page 5857

Confirmation: The nomination of David K. E. Bruce to be Ambassador to France was confirmed. Page 5890

Nominations: One hundred and twelve Army, forty-six Navy, and five civilian nominations were received. Pages 5889–5890

Committee Meetings

SECOND DEFICIENCY APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee opened hearings on H. R. 4046, second deficiency appropriations for 1949, with Senator Knowland testifying on funds for taking an inventory of Federal real property; Mark Hollis, Assistant Surgeon General, and assistants, on funds for water pollution; Dr. Martha M. Eliot, Children's Bureau, and assistants, on funds for crippled children; and Maj. Gen. Philip B. Fleming, FWA, and others, on funds for the PWA for conservation of securities. Hearings continue Wednesday.

STATE, JUSTICE, COMMERCE, AND JUDICIARY APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Assistant Secretaries of State John E. Peurifoy and George V. Allen, and William M. Hall, budget officer of the State Department, together with their respective assistants, testified before the subcommittee on H. R. 4016, State, Justice, Commerce, and Judiciary appropriations for 1950, in support of funds for the Office of Information and Educational Affairs and American Section of International Commissions. Hearings continue tomorrow.

BATTLE OF BULGE—MILITARY TRIALS

Committee on Armed Services: Continuing hearings on S. Res. 42, to investigate military trials of persons who massacred American soldiers in the Battle of the Bulge, the subcommittee heard the following witnesses give general background information on the Malmedy trials: Maj. Robert E. Byrne, interrogator and investigator in cases involving atrocities to Belgian citizens; and Lt. Col. John S. Dwinnell, member of the defense team of the Malmedy trials. Subcommittee continues tomorrow.

CODE OF MILITARY JUSTICE

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee met to hear the following witnesses express their views on H. R. 4080, to establish a Uniform Code of Military Justice: Gen. John Thomas Taylor and John J. Finn, American Legion; Brig. Gen. Franklin Riter, Organized Reserve Officers of the Judge Advocate General; Richard H. Wells, N. Y. County Lawyers Association; Col. W. J. Hughes, president, JAG Association; Maj. Gen. Thomas H. Green, Army JAG; Rear Adm. George L. Russell, Navy JAG; and Maj. Gen. R. C. Harmon, Air Force JAG.

D. C. NURSERY SCHOOL

Committee on the District of Columbia: Subcommittee voted to report to the full committee with an amendment H. R. 3967, to continue child day-care centers in the District.

NORTH ATLANTIC PACT

Committee on Foreign Relations: The following witnesses appeared before the committee to testify generally in support of the North Atlantic Pact: Mrs. Kathryn Stone, League of Women Voters; Mrs. Frederick Beggs, General Federation of Women's Clubs; Mrs. Dana C. Backus, Women's Action Committee for Lasting Peace; Robert P. Patterson, Atlantic Union Committee; William F. Fadler, Jr., Young Democratic Club of the District of Columbia; and Robert B. Ely, an attorney of Philadelphia. Hearings continue tomorrow.

AIR-LINE INDUSTRY

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: William A. Patterson, president, United Air Lines, testified before the committee in connection with its hearings in pursuance of S. Res. 50, to authorize study and investigation of the financial condition and operating efficiency of the air-line industry. Hearings continue tomorrow.

CODE, MEMORIAL DAYS, CLAIMS, AND COAST GUARD

Committee on the Judiciary: In executive session, committee voted to report numerous bills as follows:

With amendment, S. 1483, to include in title 18, U. S. Code, embezzling, converting, or retaking by fraud automobiles and aircraft;

Without amendment, S. J. Res. 61, to designate Memorial Day, 1949, as a day for a Nation-wide prayer for peace, and S. J. Res. 62, to proclaim June 20 of each year as Emblem Day; and

Without amendment, 18 private bills: S. 1054, 1080, 1138, H. R. 580, 585, 650, 681, 692, 761, 1098, 1299, 1300, 1597, 2089, 2261, 2268, 2474, and S. 1086; and 2 with amendments: S. 1167 and H. R. 1288.

Committee postponed indefinitely the following bills: S. 143, to amend the Shipping Code regarding investigation of marine casualties; private bills, S. 145, 506, 737, 832, 842, 950, 1182, 1397, 1398, and H. R. 5583; S. J. Res. 5, 8, 15, and 26, General Pulaski's Memorial Day; S. J. Res. 6, Interfaith Day; and S. J. Res. 54, Park and Recreation Week.

MEDICAL RESEARCH

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee held hearings on S. 705, research on arthritis and rheumatism, and S. 704, research on leprosy.

The following witnesses expressed their views on S. 705: Senator Pepper; Ralph B. Rogers, Indian Motorcycle Co., Springfield, Mass.; H. J. McLaurin, Detroit; Frank Mandel, Chicago; Dr. Russell Cecil, Cornell University Medical College; Dr. Robert M.

Stecher, City Hospital, Cleveland; and Dr. Paul Holbrook, Tucson, Ariz.

The following witnesses expressed their views on S. 704: Senator Pepper; Dr. Otis L. Anderson, Division of Hospitals, U. S. Public Health Service; Perry Burgess, president, Leonard Wood Memorial, Geneva-on-the-Lake, Ohio; Paul Strachan, president, American Federation of Physically Handicapped, Washington; Col. G. H. Rarey (retired), Decatur, Ga.; Dr. Hartman Lichtwardt, Carville, La.; Dr. F. C. Landrum, University of Illinois; and Nick Ferrell, Chicago. Hearings continue tomorrow.

HOSPITAL CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Continuing hearings on S. 614, to amend the Hospital Survey and Construction Act, increasing amounts of funds and defining distribution, Subcommittee on Hospital Construction and Local Public Health Units heard the following witnesses express their views on the bill: George Bugbee, American Hospital Association, Chicago; Rt. Rev. Msgr. George Lewis Smith, Catholic Hospital Association, Aiken, S. C.; Dr. John G. Martin, American Protestant Hospital Association, Newark; Prof. Hugh A. Leavell, American Public Health Association, Harvard School of Public Health; Lloyd C. Halvorson, National Grange; Stanley R. Banyon, Palladium Publishing Co., Benton Harbor, Mich., Alfred Elliott, former Representative from California; Robert G. Carter, Florida State Improvement Commission; and Senators Pepper, Holland, Smith of Maine, and Brewster; and Representatives Sikes and Hoffman.

PAY INCREASE

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Subcommittee on Classification and Compensation heard Ismar Baruch, Civil Service Commission; Joseph E. Winslow, Bureau of the Budget; and Ewan Clague, Bureau of Labor Statistics, testify in support of S. 1762, to establish standard schedule of rates of basic compensation for certain employees of the Federal Government, to fix an equitable system for adjusting the rates of basic compensation of individual employees, and to repeal Classification Act of 1923. Hearings continue Wednesday.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Thirty-three public bills, H. R. 4565–4597; eleven private bills, H. R. 4598–4608; and four resolutions, H. J. Res. 238 and 239, H. Con. Res. 59, and H. Res. 207, were introduced. Pages 5909, 5926–5928

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. R. 1689, to increase rates of compensation of the heads and assistant heads of executive departments and independent agencies (amended) (H. Rept. 535);

H. R. 2296, to establish Federal-State cooperation in forestry activities by amending Clarke-McNary Act of 1924 (amended) (H. Rept. 536);

H. R. 86, to amend Civil Service Retirement Act to cover officers and employees of the Columbia Institution for the Deaf (amended) (H. Rept. 537);

H. R. 2588, a private bill (H. Rept. 538);

H. R. 2872, to protect certain scenic values within Coconino National Forest, Ariz. (H. Rept. 539);

H. R. 2432, to restore certain lands upon the Colville Indian Reservation, Wash., to tribal ownership (H. Rept. 540);

H. R. 3334, to grant the consent of the United States to the compact between Texas and New Mexico providing for division of waters of Pecos River (H. Rept. 541);

H. R. 3482, to grant congressional consent to the States of Oklahoma, Texas, and New Mexico to negotiate on the division of waters of the Canadian River (H. Rept. 542);

H. R. 4151, to grant the consent of the United States to the Arkansas River compact (H. Rept. 543);

H. J. Res. 33, relative to ratification of contract for purchase of certain Indian lands by the U. S. from the Three Affiliated Tribes of Fort Berthold Reservation, N. Dak. (H. Rept. 544);

H. R. 4289, settlers in Alaska to record notice of settlement claims in district land office (H. Rept. 545);

H. Res. 208, providing for consideration of, and 2 hours of debate on, H. R. 2682, to amend the Commodity Credit Corporation Charter Act, the Strategic and Critical Materials Stock Piling Act, relative to the acquisition of storage facilities (H. Rept. 546); and

H. R. 4251, to authorize expenditures for land for radio-monitoring stations (amended) (H. Rept. 547).

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Housing Census: Passed, by 222 yeas to 51 nays, H. R. 2203, to provide for a decennial census of housing. Committee amendments were adopted that restrict the census of housing to the year 1950, and provide for separate housing statistics with respect to World War II veterans.

H. Res. 189, the rule for consideration of H. R. 2203, was previously adopted. Pages 5894–5908

President's Message—Reorganization: Heard message from President recommending enactment of legislation to grant to the President reorganization authority necessary for directing the executive branch of the Government. The message was referred to the Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments and ordered printed as House Document No. 176. Page 5908

Joint Session: Adopted H. Con. Res. 59, providing for a joint session of Congress on Thursday, May 19, to hear an address by Eurico Gaspar Dutra, President of the United States of Brazil. Page 5908

Swiss War Damage: After adopting H. Res. 204, the rule for consideration of H. R. 4392, to provide for the payment of compensation to the Swiss Government for losses and damages inflicted on Swiss territory during World War II by U. S. armed forces, the House proceeded to debate the measure. The bill calls for not more than $16,000,000 for the payment of these claims. While in the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union, the House adopted an amendment barring payment of any interest on Swiss war-damage claims and then postponed further action on the bill until Tuesday. Pages 5909–5919

Artificial Limbs: Agreed to Senate amendment to H. R. 3932, to exempt artificial limbs and braces from import duty when imported for personal use and not for sale, thus clearing the bill for Presidential action. Page 5920

Senate Bills Referred: Thirty-eight Senate-passed measures, passed on May 6, were referred to appropriate committees. Page 5925

Committee Meetings

FARM PROGRAM, TUNG NUTS, AND ANGORA MOHAIR

Committee on Agriculture: Pace Special Subcommittee on National Farm Program considered H. R. 29 and H. R. 3041, bills to provide parity for tung nuts and angora mohair, respectively. Speaking in favor of parity for tung nuts were Senator Holland; Representatives Colmer, Bennett of Florida, Boykin, and Sikes; Lamont Rowlands; Dr. R. J. Seville; Tom O'Connor, and Slater Wight, both of the American Tung Oil Association, Cairo, Ga.; B. F. Jordan, attorney; Cliff Liles, representing secretary of agriculture of Louisiana; C. C. Hanson, secretary, Commissioners of Agriculture; and George Prichard, representing the U. S. Department of Agriculture.

Speaking in favor of parity for angora mohair were Representatives Fisher, Fernandez, Regan, Thornberry, and Miles, and Ernest Williams, secretary-treasurer, Texas Sheep & Goat Raisers, Inc., San Angelo, Tex. All of the above witnesses, who testified in connection with angora mohair, felt that mohair should be given the same consideration; that is, be included in the definition of wool, and be given support in the farm program.

MINERAL RIGHTS

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee No. 3 opened hearings on H. R. 395, 2500, 2207, 1264, and 3957. These bills relate to the disposition of mineral interests reserved to the Government by its agencies in connection with sale or other disposal of land. These lands were largely held by the Department of Agriculture under the Bankhead-Jones Act from 1936 to 1946, and some held by the Federal land banks. Testifying today were the authors of the respective bills mentioned above: Representatives Gathings, Wilson of Oklahoma, Noland, Williams, and Christopher. Other witnesses heard were N. A. Back, Office of Secretary of Agriculture; J. R. Isleib, Farm Credit Administrator; Dillard Lasseter, Farmers Home Administrator; and Marion Clawson, Director, Bureau of Land Management, Department of the Interior. The testimony disclosed that the Department of Agriculture felt generally that Government should retain all sources of mineral rights in large land tracts and transfer them to the Department of the Interior. It recommended the transfer of small isolated tracts to private ownership. It was brought out that the committee will endeavor to work out legislation satisfactory to all concerned and clear the titles to a large part of the property in question. Adjourned subject to the call of the Chair.

HOUSING

Committee on Banking and Currency: Concluded public hearings on H. R. 4009, Housing Act of 1949. At today's meeting Senator Cain testified in favor of an amendment which would require the removal of a slum unit for every new unit of public housing. Rt. Rev. Msgr. John O'Grady, National Conference of Catholic Charities, testified in favor of the public housing, slum-clearance, and farm housing features of the bill, but expressed strong opposition to a needs test for the admission of families to public housing units. Will consider this bill in executive session tomorrow morning.

CHILDREN'S FUND

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Ordered H. R. 2785 reported favorably to the House. This bill extends the termination date of the International Children's Emergency Assistance Act of 1949 from June 30, 1949, to June 30, 1950.

JUDGESHIPS—COLORADO RIVER SYSTEM

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 3 considered in executive session various bills to authorize additional judgeships, but took no action.

Later the same group in an open meeting heard the following witnesses on H. J. Res. 3, granting the consent of Congress to joinder of the United States in suit in the U. S. Supreme Court for adjudication of claims to waters of the Colorado River system: Representative Murdock; John R. Erickson, New Mexico; Jean Breitenstein, attorney, Colorado Water Conservation Board; J. A. Howell, Utah; Arvin B. Shaw, Jr., assistant attorney general of California; and Charles A. Carson, chief counsel, Interstate Stream Commission of Arizona.

POSTAL RATES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Continued hearings on H. R. 2945, to increase certain postal rates, and heard the following opposition witnesses: K. N. Merritt, vice president in charge of traffic, Railway Express Agency, New York City, and J. T. Sanders, legislative counsel, National Grange, Washington, D. C. Hearings will be continued Wednesday.

MONTANA LANDS

Committee on Public Lands: Ordered the following bills reported to the House:

H. R. 1720, to convey lands in Missoula County, Mont., for benefit of State university (amended); and

H. R. 2197, to convey lands to Missoula County, Mont., for public-use purposes (amended).

CENTRAL ARIZONA PROJECT

Committee on Public Lands: The Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation heard further testimony of Charles A. Carson, chief counsel, Arizona Interstate Streams Commission, regarding H. R. 934, to authorize construction of dams on the Colorado River at Bridge Canyon. Hearings will be resumed Wednesday.

RIVERS AND HARBORS

Committee on Public Works: Resumed consideration of river and harbor authorizations. Big Sandy canalization project in Kentucky, Virginia, and West Virginia was today's subject; and the committee heard the following witnesses testify in favor of the proposed project: Representatives Perkins, Bates of Kentucky, and Talle; Col. Wayne S. Moore, resident member, Board of Engineers for Rivers and Harbors; James W. Wine, Jr., attorney, Pikeville, Ky.; State Senator A. O. Stanley; A. B. Wells; Elex Davis, Elxo Johnson, Garfield Stump, and Rev. H. B. Ray, all officials of mine locals in Kentucky and West Virginia; Sid Goodman and Judge Ervines S. Pruitt, both county officials; and Dr. O. W. Thompson, president, Big Sandy Valley Association, Pikeville, Ky. Speaking in opposition to the project were W. D. Johnson, vice president and national representative, Order of Railway Conductors of America; William Blizzard, UMW, Charleston, W. Va.; Tom Ramey, UMW, Pike County, Ky.; John D. Corbett, Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers; Representative Harrison; R. L. Hall, assistant general counsel, National Coal Association; Rolla Campbell, general counsel, Island Creek Coal Co.; W. H. Griffith, river pilot; Robert G. Breen, consulting engineer, representing Norfolk & Western Railroad; Tom Hoffman, president, West Kentucky Coal Agency; Edward R. Hays, attorney; Edgar O. Anderson, Illinois Coal Operators Association; Thomas A. Shevey, Kermit, Ky., businessman; Henry Nickels, bus company owner; Harry Schwacter, merchant; George A. Bishop, businessman; W. L. Young, engineer; Dr. M. D. Flanary, physician. Hearings continue tomorrow on Arkansas and Oklahoma projects.

CCC CHARTER

Committee on Rules: Granted open rule providing for 2 hours House debate and consideration of H. R. 2682, to amend the Commodity Credit Corporation Charter Act, the Strategic and Critical Materials Stock Piling Act, relative to the acquisition of storage facilities. Representative Spence spoke in favor of the rule. Representative O'Hara of Illinois also testified, speaking on a proposed amendment.

SOCIAL SECURITY

Committee on Ways and Means: Resumed executive consideration of proposed revisions to the Social Security Act. Will continue on this subject again tomorrow.

Joint Committee Meetings

INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS

Joint Meeting: Subcommittees on Intergovernmental Relations of the *House* and *Senate Committees on Expenditures in the Executive Departments* opened hearings on S. J. Res. 41, S. 767, and S. 810, each to provide for the establishment of a National Commission on Intergovernmental Relations, with Senators O'Conor and Hendrickson, and Governors Lane of Maryland, Driscoll of New Jersey, and Knous of Colorado testifying in support of the proposed legislation. Hearings continue tomorrow.

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HIGHLIGHTS

Senate considered Treasury-Post Office appropriations.

House passed bills on Swiss war-damage claims and Government travel allowances.

Agriculture and Army civil-functions appropriations bills were reported to Senate.

Hearings on fair employment practices legislation opened by House group.

Senate

Chamber Action

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Bills Introduced: Fourteen bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1812 to S. 1825; S. Con. Res. 37; and S. Res. 116. Pages 5933–5934

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. R. 3734, Army civil-functions appropriations for 1950, with amendments (S. Rept. 361); and

H. R. 3997, Agriculture appropriations for 1950, with amendments (S. Rept. 362). Page 5933

Bill Referred: One House-passed bill was referred to appropriate committee. Page 5934

Bill Postponed: Judiciary Committee was discharged from further consideration of S. 1811, a private bill, and it was indefinitely postponed. Page 5934

Treasury and Post Office Appropriations: Consideration of H. R. 3704, D. C. revenue bill, was temporarily laid aside and Senate worked on H. R. 3083, Treasury and Post Office appropriations for 1950. All committee amendments were adopted with the exception of one containing a proviso regarding purchase by Post Office of wrapping twine made of foreign materials, which was rejected by voice vote. Point of order against Bridges-Ferguson amendment, directing Secretary of Treasury and the Postmaster General to make 5-percent reduction in their appropriations, was sustained. Senator Bridges then moved to suspend the rules and adopt this amendment, which motion remained pending at recess. Pages 5937–5940, 5943–5963

Nominations: Two civilian nominations were received. Page 5973

Committee Meetings

CROP PRODUCTION—TUNG OIL

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Testimony by five witnesses on the tung-oil industry was submitted to the subcommittee in connection with its hearings in pursuance of S. Res. 36, authorizing investigation of matters relating to crop production and utilization. Senator Stennis told the subcommittee of his interest in the over-all agricultural problems with particular respect to marketing conditions of animals, cotton, and oils produced in the South, placing emphasis on tung oil. Senator Long expressed his desire that something be done for the tung-oil industry. Other witnesses expressing their views on the problems facing the tung-oil industry include: Blane Ewing, Jr., tung-oil grower of Carriere, Miss.; Mrs. Hamilton F. Morrison, owner of tung-oil orchard; and John Watts, publisher of the Tung World Magazine, Gulfport, Miss. Subcommittee adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

AGRICULTURE AND ARMY CIVIL-FUNCTIONS APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: In executive session, the committee voted to report to the Senate with amendments, H. R. 3997, Agriculture appropriations for 1950, and H. R. 3734, Army civil-functions appropriations for 1950.

As approved by the committee, the Agriculture appropriation bill (H. R. 3997) would appropriate $723,083,249, an increase of $21,961,170 over the House-passed version of the bill. As passed by the House, the bill would appropriate in direct appropriations $701,122,079. The budget estimates on which the Senate committee acted total $726,906,908.

The Army civil-functions bill (H. R. 3734), as approved by the committee, would appropriate $751,440,690, an increase of $158,148,420 over the House-passed version of the bill. The bill as passed by the House would appropriate $593,292,270. The budget estimates on which the Senate committee acted, including regular and supplemental estimates, total $772,458,220.

STATE, JUSTICE, COMMERCE, AND JUDICIARY APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Assistant Secretary of State John E. Peurifoy and William Hall, budget of-

ficer, testified generally in support of funds for the Department of State in connection with the subcommittee's hearings on H. R. 4016, State, Justice, Commerce, and Judiciary appropriations for 1950. Dillon Myer, president, Institute of Inter-American Affairs, and his assistants, appeared in support of funds for the Institute. George V. Allen, Assistant Secretary for Public Affairs, and his assistants, appeared in support of funds for program for international information and educational activities. Hearings continue tomorrow.

NATIONAL SECURITY ACT—DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Committee on Armed Services: Committee met again in executive session to continue its work on drafting for reporting S. 1269, to convert the National Military Establishment into an executive department to be known as the Department of Defense, and to establish the responsibility and authority of the Secretary of Defense (National Security Act amendments of 1949). It did not conclude and will meet again Thursday.

BATTLE OF BULGE—MILITARY TRIALS

Committee on Armed Services: Lt. Col. John S. Dwinnell, member of the defense team of the Malmedy trials, continued his testimony before the subcommittee on S. Res. 42, to investigate military trials of persons who massacred American soldiers in the Battle of the Bulge. Hearings continue tomorrow.

NORTH ATLANTIC PACT

Committee on Foreign Relations: James P. Warburg, New York, and Stephen M. Schwebel, Collegiate Council for the United Nations, testified before the committee in support of the North Atlantic Pact, but with extensive reservations.

The following witnesses appeared in opposition: Rev. Dudley H. Burr, Peoples Party of Connecticut; Mrs. Cecil Norton Broy, Arlington, Va.; and James Imbrie, Lawrenceville, N. J. Hearings continue tomorrow.

AIR-LINE INDUSTRY

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: J. H. Carmichael, president, Capital Airlines, appeared before the committee to discuss the financial conditions and operating efficiency of the air-line industry (in pursuance of S. Res. 50). Hearings continue Thursday.

IMMIGRATION—SUBVERSIVE ALIENS

Committee on the Judiciary: Gen. Izydor Modelski, formerly military attaché of the Polish Embassy, and Miss Ruth Fisher, private citizen, appeared before the Special Subcommittee To Investigate Immigration Law and Administration Thereof to give factual testimony in connection with the subcommittee's hearings on S. 1694, to amend the Immigration Act of October 16, 1918, to provide for exclusion and deportation of subversive aliens. Hearings continue tomorrow.

MEDICAL RESEARCH—SCLEROSIS

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee on Public Health held hearings on S. 102, to provide for research on multiple sclerosis and related neurological diseases, receiving testimony from the following witnesses: Senator Tobey; Dr. Rene Cailliet, Kaiser-Kabat Institute, Washington, D. C.; Mrs. Lou Gehrig, New York; Daniel R. McIver and Mrs. Dorothy Lunn, two multiple-sclerosis victims; Dr. Herman Kabat, California; Henry J. Kaiser, Jr. (statement read by Sterling Dean); Dr. C. H. Traeger, medical director, Ralph I. Straus, president, and Miss Sylvia Lowry, executive secretary, all of the National Multiple Sclerosis Society, New York; Dr. Tracy Putnam, Neurological Services, Cedars of Lebanon Hospital, Los Angeles; Carl M. Owen, New York attorney (statement read by Harry Murphy); and Dr. Houston Merritt, director, Neurological Institute, Medical Center, New York. Hearings continue tomorrow.

HOSPITAL CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee on Hospital Construction and Local Public Health Units heard the following witnesses express their views on S. 614, to amend the Hospital Survey and Construction Act, increasing amounts of funds and defining distribution: Senator Pepper; Dr. Leonard Scheele, Surgeon General; Dr. Edwin C. Crosby, Johns Hopkins University Hospital; Dr. James R. Miller, American Medical Association, Hartford, Conn.; Dr. Haven Emerson, National Advisory Committee on Local Health Units, New York; Dr. James Perkins, National Tuberculosis Association, New York; Mrs. Dwight S. Perrin, American Social Hygiene Association, Syracuse, N. Y.; and Gen. James S. Simmons, president, Association of Schools of Public Health, Harvard School of Health. Subcommittee concludes these hearings tomorrow.

POSTMASTERS

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: In executive session, the committee voted to report favorably to the Senate 87 postmaster nominations.

POSTAL RATES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Postmaster General Donaldson appeared before the subcommittee to give further testimony in connection with S. 1103, to readjust postal rates. Hearings continue tomorrow.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Fifteen public bills, H. R. 4609–4623; nine private bills, H. R. 4624–4632; and three resolutions, H. J. Res. 240, H. Con. Res. 60, and H. Res. 209, were introduced. Pages 5978, 6003–6004

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

Nine private bills, H. R. 623, 1042, 2349, 2850, 4186, 1009, 1297, 3138, and 4559 (H. Repts. 548–556, respectively);

H. R. 4566, to revise, codify, and enact into law title 14 of the United States Code, entitled "Coast Guard" (H. Rept. 557);

H. R. 1720, to convey lands in Missoula County, Mont., for benefit of State university (amended) (H. Rept. 558);

H. R. 3444, to improve the administration of activities relating to the collection of cotton statistics (H. Rept. 559);

H. R. 2197, to convey lands to Missoula County, Mont., for public-use purposes (amended) (H. Rept. 560);

H. R. 3512, to exempt from the application of the Civil Service Retirement Act certain temporary employees of the United States (amended) (H. Rept. 561); and

H. R. 4082, to improve the administration of the Civil Aeronautics Act of 1938 (H. Rept. 562).

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Swiss War Damage: After voting, 191 to 172, to reject the pending amendment to prevent payment of interest on Swiss war-damage claims, the House passed H. R. 4392, which authorizes payment of not to exceed $16,000,000 for compensation to the Swiss Government for losses and damages inflicted on Swiss territory during World War II by U. S. armed forces. Page 5979

Pumpkin Papers: Adopted H. Res. 209, to transfer certain films (evidence in Hiss case) from the Committee on Un-American Activities to the Department of Justice. Pages 5978–5979

Public Housing: Agreed to Senate amendment to H. R. 2440, to authorize sale of suburban resettlement projects known as Greenbelt, Md.; Greendale, Wis.; and Greenhills, Ohio, thus clearing the bill for Presidential action. Pages 5979–5980

Government Travel: Passed, by voice vote, H. R. 3005, to regulate subsistence expenses and mileage allowances of civilian officers and employees of the Government. This measure increases the maximum per diem allowance for travel within U. S. from $6 to $9 and increases the payment for use of private cars on Government business from 5 cents to 7 cents per mile. Adopted a committee amendment setting the maximum per diem travel allowance at $9 in lieu of $10.

H. Res. 205, the rule for consideration of H. R. 3005 was previously adopted. Pages 5980–5992

Commodity Credit Corporation: Following adoption of the rule, H. Res. 208, making in order the consideration of H. R. 2682, to amend the Commodity Credit Corporation Charter Act and the Strategic and Critical Materials Stock Piling Act, the House debated the measure for an hour before postponing further action until Wednesday. This bill provides for the acquisition of storage facilities adequate to carry out the Corporation's programs; it also provides for the exchange of surplus U. S. agricultural commodities for stocks of strategic and critical materials produced abroad. Pages 5992–6002

Committee Meetings

FARM PROGRAM

Committee on Agriculture: Pace Special Subcommittee on National Farm Program received the testimony of John H. Davis, executive secretary, National Council of Farmer Cooperatives. He stated that the executive committee of the council believed that the soundest procedure with respect to farm programs is to retain the present legislation, amending it from time to time on the basis of experience. Two specific changes in the Agricultural Act of 1948 were suggested, as follows: the inclusion of hired farm labor as an item of cost of things the farmer buys for computing parity; and comparable treatment of all commodities, basic and nonbasic alike, under any price-support program which may exist. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

WOMEN DOCTORS—BERLIN AIR LIFT—AIR CORPS

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee No. 3 voted to report the following bills favorably to the full committee: H. R. 4384, providing for the appointment of women doctors and specialists in the Medical Department of the Army; H. R. 2737, establishing the Medal for Humane Action for award to persons distinguishing themselves in the Berlin air lift operation; and H. R. 3712, to amend certain acts to provide that in time of peace, not less than 20 percent of total number of pilots employed in tactical units of Air Corps shall be enlisted men, except where impractical. The following witnesses testified: Col. Paul D. Robinson, Chief of Personnel Division, Office of Surgeon General, Department of the Army, on H. R. 4384; Col. Early Duncan, Depart-

ment of the Air Force, on H. R. 2737; and Commander David Martineau, Bureau of Personnel, Department of the Navy, on H. R. 3712.

HOUSING

Committee on Banking and Currency: Opened executive discussions on H. R. 4009, the Housing Act of 1949. No final action was taken, and the committee will resume on this subject tomorrow.

FAIR EMPLOYMENT PRACTICES

Committee on Education and Labor: The Powell subcommittee opened hearings on H. R. 4453, known as the Federal Fair Employment Practices Act. Speaking on behalf of the legislation were Representatives Dollinger, Howell, and Burnside. Testifying in opposition were Representatives Battle, Hoffman of Michigan, and Bennett of Florida. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

UN PARTICIPATION

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Held executive meetings on H. R. 4497, amending the United Nations Participation Act of 1948. Today's witness was Ernest A. Gross, Assistant Secretary of State. Will resume on this bill tomorrow.

ANTI-POLL TAX

Committee on House Administration: The Subcommittee on Elections resumed consideration of anti-poll-tax bills and heard testimony of Moss Plunkett, Americans for Democratic Action. Statements were received for the record from Representative Scrivner and from the American Civil Liberties Committee. Hearings will continue on Thursday.

AERONAUTICS—NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: The Subcommittee on Transportation held hearings on H. R. 2911, to amend the Civil Aeronautics Act to provide for the economic regulation of air carriers engaged in foreign air transportation. Russell Adams, a member of the Civil Aeronautics Board, was today's only witness. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

Subcommittee on Public Health, Science, and Commerce held executive meeting on National Science Foundation bills.

ADMINISTRATIVE PRACTITIONERS—COAST GUARD

Committee on the Judiciary: Ordered the following bills reported favorably to the House:

H. R. 4446, to protect the public with respect to practitioners before administrative agencies (Administrative Practitioners Act); and

H. R. 4566, to revise, codify, and enact into law, title 14 of the United States Code, entitled "Coast Guard."

RETIREMENT ANNUITIES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: The Morrison subcommittee approved for reporting to the full committee H. R. 2020, relating to the enabling of certain former Federal employees, separated from service subsequent to January 23, 1942, to receive return of their contributions in lieu of forfeiting civil-service annuity rights. Testifying on this bill were Warren Irons, Chief of the Retirement Division, Civil Service Commission; Walter L. Disbrow, national representative, Retirement Federation of Civil Service Employees of the U. S. Government; Lewis H. Fisher, general counsel, National Association of Retired Federal Employees; Jesse V. Horton, first vice-president, National Association of Postal Supervisors; and Col. Charles I. Stengle, legislative representative, American Federation of Government Employees.

IRRIGATION—LAND PATENTS

Committee on Public Lands: Ordered the following bills reported to the House:

H. R. 1694, restricting Federal expenditures for maintenance of irrigation systems on Federal reclamation projects (amended);

H. R. 1790, a private bill (amended);

H. R. 4261, a private bill; and

S. 690, to authorize the furnishing of water to the Yuma auxiliary project, Arizona, through the works of the Gila project, Arizona.

RIVERS AND HARBORS

Committee on Public Works: Continued consideration of river and harbor authorizations and held hearings relative to Arkansas River and tributaries, in Arkansas and Oklahoma. Maj. Gen. Lewis A. Pick, Chief of Engineers, was the first witness on this project. Testifying on behalf of the proposed authorization were Senator Fulbright; Representatives Stigler, Hays of Arkansas, Norrell, Tackett, and Albert; D. D. Terry; Emmet Sandus, representing the Arkansas Basin Association; and Eugene Zellar, Oklahoma Resources and Planning Board. Speaking in opposition to the project was R. P. Hart, representing the Association of American Railroads. Will continue on this project tomorrow.

VETERANS' PENSIONS

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Met in executive session to consider veterans' pension legislation, and took the following action:

Voted to substitute the provisions of H. R. 4523 for H. R. 3821, veterans' pension bill, after amending the former bill to provide the following benefits:

Pension of $60 a month payable when unemployable, meets the provisions of the needs test, and fulfills the following other requirements:

Less than age 55, 60 percent single disability or a combined disability of 70 percent with requirement that at least one disability be 40 percent in degree.

Age 55, a single or combined disability rating of 60 percent.

Age 60, a single or combined disability rating of 50 percent.

At age 65, a veteran shall be presumed to be permanently and totally disabled without a medical examination and without regard to unemployability, and the pension rate would be $72 a month.

The rate of $100 per month is provided in lieu of the $60 and $72 rates where a veteran is permanently and totally disabled and, in addition, is so helpless or blind as to need the regular aid and attendance of another person.

The bill also increases the income limits for a single veteran or a widow with child or children from $1,000 to $1,200. The $2,500 limit now in the law applicable to veterans who are married or have dependents, and to widows with children, was left unchanged.

The bill applies to veterans of both World Wars I and II and contains a bar to benefits going to those who advocate the overthrow of the Government by force or violence. The provisions for veterans below age 65 are the same as now presently administered by the Veterans' Administration under extension 5 to the 1945 Disability Rating Schedule.

A clean bill, H. R. 4617, was introduced today in lieu of H. R. 4523, as amended. This will be considered when the committee meets tomorrow to vote on reporting the measure to the House.

SOCIAL SECURITY

Committee on Ways and Means: Continued executive consideration of proposed amendments to the Social Security Act. Will meet on this subject again tomorrow.

Joint Committee Meetings

INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS

Joint Meeting: Subcommittees on Intergovernmental Relations of the *House* and *Senate Committees on Expenditures in the Executive Departments* continued hearings on S. J. Res. 41, S. 767, and S. 810, each to provide for the establishment of a National Commission on Intergovernmental Relations, receiving testimony from the following proponent witnesses: Carl Chatters, executive director, American Municipal Association; Walter Mattison, city attorney for Milwaukee; Joseph Martin, Mayor of Erie, Pa.; and Stanley Martin, first vice president of the National Association of County Officials. Hearings continue tomorrow.

ATOMIC ENERGY—REACTOR TEST STATION

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Representatives of the engineering firm of Smith, Hinchman & Grylls, Inc., appeared before the committee in open hearings to discuss the selection of site for new AEC reactor test station.

Committee will hold hearing on May 12 to consider the nomination of Dr. Henry DeWolf Smyth to be a member of the AEC.

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HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed Treasury and Post Office appropriations.
House passed Commodity Credit Corporation bill.
Five District bills approved for Senate.
Veterans' pension bill ordered reported to the House.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 6004–6010

Bills Introduced: Fourteen bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 1826 to S. 1839; and S. Con. Res. 38. Pages 6006, 6020–6021

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 1448, to grant consent of U. S. to Arkansas River compact, with amendments (S. Rept. 363);

H. R. 3967, to continue child day-care centers in the District, with amendment (S. Rept. 364); and

S. J. Res. 61, to designate Memorial Day, 1949, as a day for a Nation-wide prayer for peace (S. Rept. 365).

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Bills Referred: Two House-passed bills were referred to appropriate committees. Page 6006

Treasury and Post Office Appropriations: By voice vote, Senate passed, with amendments, H. R. 3083, Treasury and Post Office appropriations for 1950, after rejecting the following motions and amendment:

By 37 yeas to 45 nays, Bridges motion to suspend the rules and adopt Bridges-Ferguson amendment, directing Secretary of Treasury and the Postmaster General to make 5-percent reduction in their appropriations; by 33 yeas to 45 nays, Knowland amendment providing that no more than 95 percent of funds in bill shall be expended or obligated by Post Office and Treasury Departments; and, by 38 yeas to 44 nays, Bridges motion to recommit bill with instructions to report it back with reductions aggregating at least 5 percent.

Senate asked for a conference and appointed as conferees Senators Maybank, Hayden, Kilgore, McClellan, Johnston of South Carolina, Cordon, Reed, and Bridges. Pages 6010–6041

Nominations: One civilian and two Army nominations, and three postmaster withdrawals of nominations were received. Page 6041

Committee Meetings

GOVERNMENT ALCOHOL PLANTS

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Subcommittee met in executive session to consider the status of Government industrial alcohol plants, with the following persons present: Senator Butler; Secretary of Agriculture Brannan, John I. Thompson, Assistant Administrator of Production and Marketing Administration, Dr. G. E. Hilbert, Agricultural Research, LeRoy K. Smith, Chairman of Grain Division of Production and Marketing Administration, and Edward J. Overby—all of Department of Agriculture; S. G. Stein, Muscatine, Iowa; J. L. Walsh, Omaha; Wendell Lund, attorney, of Washington; and Otis Reed.

SECOND DEFICIENCY APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Continuing hearings on H. R. 4046, second deficiency appropriations for 1949, the subcommittee heard Joseph Guandolo, Solicitor, Bureau of Community Facilities of FWA, testify further on funds for the conservation of PWA securities, and W. E. Reynolds, Commissioner of Public Buildings, and his assistants, on increase in contract authorizations for public building in Nashville, Tenn., on purchase of site in Omaha, Nebr., for public building, and on remodeling of White House; and the following witnesses on Alaska highway item: Delegate Bartlett, Governor Gruening of Alaska, Leo Sundborg, Alaska Development Board, and C. D. Curtiss, Public Roads Administration. Hearings continue tomorrow.

STATE, JUSTICE, COMMERCE, AND JUDICIARY APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Continuing hearings on H. R. 4016, State, Justice, Commerce, and Judiciary appropriations for 1950, the subcommittee heard Frank Cawley, budget officer for Commerce Department; E. W. Goodwin, Public Buildings Administration; and the following witnesses, all of the CAA: Paul Steiner, R. P. Pope, Phillips Moore, Robert Cook, and I. D. Blatt, testify in support of funds for the CAA.

INDEPENDENT OFFICES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee heard FCC Chairman Wayne Coy, FCC Commissioners, and their assistants testify in support of funds for the FCC, in connection with its hearings on H. R. 4177, independent offices appropriations for 1950. Committee adjourned subject to call of Chair.

WIND TUNNEL

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee heard the following witnesses testify in executive session in support of S. 1267, to authorize construction of transonic and supersonic wind-tunnel facilities: Francis W. Reichelderfer and Russell Robinson, National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics; Secretary of Air Force Symington; Dr. Karl T. Compton, Research and Development Board; Capt. Walter S. Diehl, Research and Development Group, U. S. Navy; Lt. Col. W. W. Vaughn, Legalistic Division, GS, USA; and Brig. Gen. Donald L. Putt, U. S. Air Force.

BATTLE OF BULGE—MILITARY TRIALS

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee continued its hearings on S. Res. 42, to investigate military trials of persons who massacred American soldiers in the Battle of the Bulge, receiving background testimony by Dwight F. Fanton, commanding officer of the War Crime Team, and Kurt Tiel, investigator with War Crimes Group. Hearings continue tomorrow.

RESERVE REQUIREMENTS AND CONSUMER CREDIT

Committee on Banking and Currency: Thomas B. McCabe, Chairman of the Board of Governors of Federal Reserve System, appeared before the subcommittee to testify in support of S. 1775, to provide for supplemental reserve requirements for insured banks, and S. J. Res. 87, extending authority of Board of Governors of Federal Reserve System to exercise consumer credit controls.

Robert V. Fleming, president, Riggs National Bank, testified in opposition to S. 1775. Hearings continue tomorrow.

D. C. CAPITAL ANNIVERSARY, COMMON TRUST FUNDS, NURSERY SCHOOL, AND WEEDS

Committee on the District of Columbia: In executive session, the committee voted to report the following bills: without amendment, S. 1557, to provide for appointment of an additional judge for D. C. Juvenile Court; H. J. Res. 200, to authorize National Capital Sesquicentennial Commission to proceed with plans for celebration of the one hundred and fiftieth anniversary of the establishment of the U. S. Capital in D. C., and S. 1580, regarding common trust funds and to make uniform the law with reference thereto in the District; and with amendment, H. R. 3967, to continue child day-care centers in the District, and S. 885, to provide for removal of weeds from lands in the District.

Committee deferred action on H. R. 2104, relating to orders to D. C. banks for stopping payment on negotiable instruments payable from deposits in or payable at such banks.

It referred S. 1350, to provide an additional judge for the D. C. Juvenile Court, to a subcommittee for further study.

It also agreed to hold a further executive meeting on the nomination of John Russell Young to be D. C. Commissioner.

D. C. BANK DEPOSITS AND COMMON TRUST FUNDS

Committee on the District of Columbia: Subcommittee held hearings on H. R. 2104, relating to orders to D. C. banks for stopping payment on negotiable instruments payable from deposits in or payable at such banks, with Vernon E. West, Corporation Counsel; and Francis G. Addison, Jr., and Clarence Burton, both representing D. C. Bankers Association, testifying in support of the bill.

The following witnesses testified before the subcommittee in support of S. 1580, regarding common trust funds and to make uniform the law with reference thereto in the District: Representative Beall; Vernon E. West, Corporation Counsel; Lester A. Lawrence, T. Stanley Holland, and Charles V. Imlay, all of the D. C. Bankers Association; and Frederick P. H. Siddons, Washington Board of Trade.

Following the subcommittee meeting, these bills were reported to the full committee and the full committee reported out S. 1580, but deferred action on H. R. 2104.

NORTH ATLANTIC PACT

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee continued its hearings on the North Atlantic Pact, hearing the following opposition witnesses: Henry J. Cadbury, Harvard University, representing Friends Committee on National Legislation; Muriel Draper, Congress of American Women, New York City; Richard Morford, National Council of American-Soviet Friendship; Dr. Phillip Elliott, Fellowship of Reconciliation; Mrs. Anna Steelman Eicke, American Lithuanian Workers Literary Association, Brooklyn; and Prof. Colston E. Warne and Allan R. Freelon, both of the National Council of the Arts, Sciences, and Professions. Norman Thomas, Post War World Council, favored the pact with reservations. Hearings continue tomorrow.

NATIONAL FOREST LANDS

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Subcommittee heard Senator Cordon testify in support of his bill, S. 149, authorizing payment to States based on fair value of national forest lands therein. Frank Smith, administrative assistant to Senator Stennis, appeared in opposition to the bill. Lyle F. Watts and Howard Hopkins, U. S. Forest Service, appeared to give the subcommittee factual information on the bill.

NOMINATION—NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: In executive session, committee voted to report favorably to the Senate one routine nomination in the Coast and Geodetic Survey, and, without amendment, S. 1384, to provide for transfer of tower on Lower Souris National Wildlife Refuge to International Peace Garden, Inc.

TRANSPORTATION

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Special Subcommittee To Study Domestic Land and Water Transportation (in pursuance of S. Res. 62) held an organizational meeting.

IMMIGRATION—SUBVERSIVE ALIENS

Committee on the Judiciary: Bogdan Rodista, former Yugoslav information officer, and William Harrison Smyth, who spent 20 years in Yugoslavia, testified to give the subcommittee factual information in connection with its hearings on S. 1694, to amend the Immigration Act of 1918, to provide for exclusion and deportation of subversive aliens. Hearings continue tomorrow in executive session.

MEDICAL RESEARCH—CHILD LIFE AND DEVELOPMENT

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee on Health Legislation held hearings on S. 904, to provide for research relating to child life and development, receiving testimony from the following witnesses: Senator Douglas; Donald Kingsley, Assistant Administrator, and Dr. Martha Eliot, Children's Bureau, both of FSA; Dr. Leonard A. Scheele, Surgeon General; John W. Gardner, Carnegie Corp. of New York; Dr. Robert R. Sears, child welfare research station, State University of Iowa; and Philip G. Rettig, National Society for Crippled Children and Adults, Chicago. Hearings continue tomorrow.

HOSPITAL CONSTRUCTION—PUBLIC HEALTH UNITS

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee on Hospital Construction and Local Public Health Units concluded hearings on local public-health-units bills, after receiving testimony from the following witnesses on S. 522 and like bills, to authorize assistance to States in the development of local public-health units: Dr. Franklin Foote, National Society for the Prevention of Blindness, New York; Dr. Vlado A. Getting, Massachusetts Department of Public Health; Dr. Kenneth S. Landauer, National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis, New York; and Dr. Gaylord W. Anderson, School of Public Health, University of Minnesota.

POSTAL RATES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Postmaster General Donaldson continued his testimony before the subcommittee on S. 1103, to readjust postal rates.

POSTAL EMPLOYEES COMPENSATION

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Subcommittee held hearings on S. 1772, to provide additional benefits to postal service employees including postmasters and officers with respect to annual and sick leave, longevity pay, compensatory time, and promotion, receiving testimony from the following witnesses in support of the bill: Senator Butler; Representative Rhodes; Martin L. Friedman, technical staff, Army Air Force Wage Board; William C. Doherty, National Association of Letter Carriers; Luther Steward, National Federation of Federal Employees; E. C. Hallbeck, National Federation of Post Office Clerks; and J. G. Yaden, American Federation of Government Employees. Hearings continue Friday.

HAWAII, LIFE INSURANCE, AND COMMITTEE EXPENDITURES

Committee on Rules and Administration: In executive session, committee considered but took no action on the following resolutions: S. Res. 18, to authorize investigation of martial law in Hawaii; S. Con. Res. 11, to create a joint congressional committee to be made up of three members from each of the House and Senate Judiciary Committees to investigate life-insurance industry; and S. Res. 93, to increase limit of expenditures for hearings and investigations by Committee on Armed Services.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Sixteen public bills, H. R. 4633–4648; ten private bills, H. R. 4649–4658; and one resolution, H. Res. 210, were introduced. Pages 6075–6076

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. R. 4498, to grant authority to Postmaster General to award contracts for transportation of mail by aircraft upon star routes (H. Rept. 563);

H. J. Res. 235, to continue authority of Maritime Commission to sell, charter, and operate vessels (H. Rept. 564);

Two private bills, H. R. 2252 and H. R. 3127 (H. Repts. 565 and 566, respectively);

H. R. 2170, to declare children of competent Crow Indians to be competent members of the Crow Tribe (H. Rept. 567);

S. 690, to furnish water to the Yuma auxiliary irrigation project in Arizona through the works of the Gila project in Arizona (H. Rept. 568);

H. R. 2785, to provide for further contributions to the International Children's Emergency Fund (H. Rept. 569); and

Conference report on S. J. Res. 42, to grant the consent and approval of Congress to an interstate compact relating to the better utilization of the fisheries of the Gulf coast and creating the Gulf States Marine Fisheries Commission (H. Rept. 570). Pages 6074–6075

Coast Guard Academy: Mr. Welch of Missouri was appointed to attend a meeting of the Board of Visitors of the U. S. Coast Guard Academy in lieu of Mr. Thompson. Page 6041

Commodity Credit Corporation: Passed, 326 yeas to 52 nays, H. R. 2682, to amend the Commodity Credit Corporation Charter Act and the Strategic and Critical Materials Stock Piling Act. Later a similar Senate bill, S. 900, was taken from the Speaker's table and amended by inserting the provisions of H. R. 2682, following which the House passed S. 900 and vacated the proceedings of the passage of H. R. 2682. This bill provides for the acquisition of storage facilities adequate to carry out the Corporation's programs; it also provides for the exchange of surplus U. S. agricultural commodities for stocks of strategic and critical materials produced abroad.

In addition to committee amendments, the following amendments were adopted, designed to—

Give priority, in exchange of surplus commodities for critical or strategic materials, to commodities which will serve as incentive goods.

Insure freedom to the Corporation in disposition of commodities to protect its assets.

Extend the period in certain cases for bringing suit against the Corporation.

Encourage the storage of grain on farms.

Also rejected several proffered amendments.

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Committee Meetings

FARM PROGRAM

Committee on Agriculture: Pace Special Subcommittee on Price Supports and National Farm Program questioned Allan B. Kline, president, American Farm Bureau Federation, relative to his statement of April 28 wherein he endorsed the objectives of the Aiken bill. H. L. Wingate, president, Farm Bureau of the State of Georgia, also testified. He stated that Georgia farmers were opposed to the Aiken bill, and that he personally opposed Secretary Brannan's plan. Flake Shaw, executive vice president, Farm Bureau of North Carolina, was introduced by Representative Cooley, chairman of the House Agriculture Committee. He was not in favor of Secretary Brannan's proposal nor did he feel that the Aiken bill should become effective in January 1950. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

REMOUNT SERVICE—CITRUS FLY

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee No. 2 considered H. R. 3003 and 3022, and S. 969, bills to transfer back to the Kellogg Foundation the land and improvements of the Pomona Remount Station, which the foundation had given the Government and for which no useful project is now contemplated. Dr. E. W. Morris, president, Kellogg Foundation, explained the background of the agreement to transfer the property to the U. S. Government, saying it was understood the property would become important part of Army Remount Service and continue breeding of Arabian horses. There is no appropriation contemplated for the Pomona Station, and the foundation, as well as the Department of Agriculture, feels that it has a strong equitable interest in its disposition. Representatives Shafer and White of California, and E. J. Overby, assistant to the Secretary of Agriculture, spoke on behalf of the proposed legislation.

The subcommittee heard an explanation by Representative Miller of Nebraska on H. R. 1242, transferring part of Robinson Remount Station to the city of Crawford, Nebr. Mr. Overby stated the Department had no objection to this bill.

A bill, H. R. 4263, to combat citrus black fly, was explained by its author, Representative Bentsen and Dr. Sievert A. Rohwer, Assistant Chief of the Bureau of Entomology and Plant Quarantine. Representative Lyle also spoke in favor of the bill. This insect is the most serious menace to the citrus industry, and eradication work and control are vitally necessary.

FLORIDA LANDS—DEFENSE CATALOG SYSTEM

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee No. 1 approved the following bills for reporting to the full committee: H. R. 2417, to improve recreation facilities at Eglin Field, Fla.; H. R. 2418, to authorize restocking and conservation of game in Eglin Field Reservation; and H. R. 3155, conveying a portion of Santa Rosa Island to Okaloosa County, Fla. Representative Sikes testified on these bills. The subcommittee also heard Representative Anderson of California testify on behalf of H. R. 321, providing for a single catalog system for the National Military Establishment. Will resume on this bill tomorrow.

RESERVE COMPONENT BENEFITS

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee No. 2 voted to report favorably to the full committee S. 213, to provide death and disability benefits for members of Reserve components on duty for less than 30 days. Testifying on this bill were Commander David Martineau, Department of the Navy; Lt. Col. P. L. Hooper, Department of the Army; Maj. Gen. Milton A. Reckord, National Guard Association; and Col. John Oliver, Reserve Officers Association.

HOUSING

Committee on Banking and Currency: Continued executive discussion on H. R. 4009, the Housing Act of 1949, and will resume on this topic for tomorrow morning's meeting.

FAIR EMPLOYMENT PRACTICES

Committee on Education and Labor: The Powell subcommittee, holding hearings on H. R. 4453, fair employment practices bill, heard the following witnesses testify in its favor: Senators Humphrey and Ives; Representatives Douglas and Sabath; and Norman Thomas, Socialist Party. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

UN PARTICIPATION

Committee on Foreign Affairs: The committee met in executive session on H. R. 4497, amending the United Nations Participation Act of 1948, and heard Ernest A. Gross, Assistant Secretary of State. Will continue executive meeting tomorrow on the same subject.

MISCELLANEOUS HOUSE EXPENSES

Committee on House Administration: Ordered the following bill and resolutions reported to the House:

H. R. 4583, relating to telephone and telegraph service and clerk hire for Members of the House of Representatives;

H. Res. 115, authorizing an appropriation of $25,000 for the Post Office and Civil Service Committee;

H. Res. 186, providing for holding memorial services in the House on Wednesday, May 25, 1949;

H. J. Res. 21, to provide for the utilization of a part of the unfinished portion of the historical frieze in the rotunda of the Capitol to portray the story of aviation; and

H. Res. 156, authorizing an appropriation of $30,000 for the Committee on the Judiciary.

FOREIGN AIR TRANSPORTATION

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee on Transportation held hearing on H. R. 2911, providing for the economic regulation of air carriers engaged in foreign air transportation. Testifying on this bill were Representative Kennedy, its author, and J. Paul Barringer, Deputy Director, Office of Transport and Communications, Department of State. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

FUR AND WOOL LABELING

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee on Securities and Exchange Commission, Federal Communications Commission, and Federal Trade Commission considered H. R. 4292, wool-labeling bill, and H. R. 97 and 3755, fur-labeling bills. Speaking on the wool-labeling bill were Representative Fisher, who introduced the measure; Ernest Williams, secretary, Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers Association, San Angelo, Tex.; and Henry Miller, Director, Bureau of Trade Practice Conference and Wool Act Administration, FTC. This concludes hearings on the wool-labeling bill.

Testifying on the fur-labeling bills were Representative O'Hara of Minnesota, sponsor of H. R. 97, and Henry Miller, of the Federal Trade Commission. Hearings on fur labeling will be continued tomorrow.

PRIVATE CLAIMS—NATIONAL SECURITY

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 3 agreed to report favorably to the full committee 12 private House bills and 11 Senate bills; 1 private Senate bill is to be reported adversely.

Subcommittee No. 4 conducted hearings on H. R. 3776, relating to the Internal Security of the United States. The following witnesses were heard: Frank Chambers, Chief, Legislative Section, and Michael Horan, special assistant to the Attorney General, for the Department of Justice; Rear Adm. T. B. Ingles, and Capt. Chester C. Ward, for Navy Department; James P. Davis, Director, Division of Territories and Island Possessions, Department of the Interior. Hearings were concluded.

SHIP SALES AND CHARTER

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Ordered H. J. Res. 235 reported to the House, as amended. This bill would continue until June 30, 1950, the authority of the Maritime Commission to sell, charter, and operate vessels.

POSTAL RATES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Continued hearings on H. R. 2945, to increase certain postal rates, and heard the testimony of the following witnesses: Hartman Barber, general representative, Brotherhood of Railway and Steamship Clerks; Jesse V. Horton, first vice president, National Association of Postal Supervisors; Clyde T. Ellis, executive manager, National Rural Electric Cooperative Association; Charles E. Foster, representing the DAV, accompanied by Leo Gans, superintendent, direct mailing division, Identotag department, DAV; Michael J. Maher, assistant to the president, William H. Wise & Co., Inc., New York City; and Walter Loebl, vice president, Loebl Dye Works, Inc., Roanoke, Va.

CENTRAL ARIZONA PROJECT

Committee on Public Lands: Charles A. Carson, attorney, Arizona Interstate Streams Commission, resumed his testimony in favor of H. R. 934, to authorize construction of dams on the Colorado River at Bridge Canyon. This bill is being considered by the Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation.

RIVERS AND HARBORS

Committee on Public Works: Concluded hearings on river and harbor authorizations. At today's session the committee considered Arkansas River and tributaries, Arkansas and Oklahoma projects. Testifying on this subject were: Col. Wayne S. Moore, resident member, Board of Engineers for Rivers and Harbors; Gov. Sydney McMath of Arkansas; Mr. McBride, representing Senator Kerr; Hamilton Moses, president, Arkansas Power & Light Co.; J. C. Murray, Arkansas Resources and Planning Board; Reece Candle, member, Interstate Water Resources Committee, and director, Arkansas Flood Control Association; Joe Hardin, president, Arkansas Farm Bureau; H. K. Thatcher, Arkansas Resources and Development Commission; W. C. Davis, Arkansas Valley Basin Association; and Mrs. T. W. Sloan, Conway County Levee District, Ark.

Hearings on flood-control projects will begin next Monday, May 16.

VETERANS' PENSIONS

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Ordered reported to the House H. R. 4617, which would provide the following:

Pension of $60 a month payable when unemployable, meets the provisions of the needs test, and fulfills the following other requirements:

Less than age 55, 60 percent single disability or a combined disability of 70 percent with requirement that at least one disability be 40 percent in degree.

Age 55, a single or combined disability rating of 60 percent.

Age 60, a single or combined disability rating of 50 percent.

At age 65, a veteran shall be presumed to be permanently and totally disabled without a medical examination and if found to be unemployable. The pension would be $72 a month. The vote was 14 to 8 to include the provision requiring a finding of unemployability at age 65. Also adopted an amendment defining "marginal employment."

The rate of $100 per month is provided in lieu of the $60 and $72 rates where a veteran is permanently and totally disabled and, in addition, is so helpless or blind as to need the regular aid and attendance of another person.

The bill also increases the income limits for a single veteran or a widow with child or children from $1,000 to $1,200. The $2,500 limit now in the law applicable to veterans who are married or have dependents, and to widows with children, was left unchanged.

The bill applies to veterans of both World Wars I and II and contains a bar to benefits going to those who advocate the overthrow of the Government by force or violence. The provisions for veterans below age 65 are the same as now presently administered by the Veterans' Administration under extension 5 to the 1945 Disability Rating Schedule.

The Veterans' Administration has estimated that the measure, as reported, will cost approximately $8,693,000,000 through the year 2000.

SOCIAL SECURITY

Committee on Ways and Means: Continued executive consideration of proposed amendments to the Social Security Act and will meet on this subject tomorrow morning.

Joint Committee Meetings

INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS

Joint Meeting: Subcommittees on Intergovernmental Relations of the *House* and *Senate Committees on Expenditures in the Executive Departments* continued hearings on S. J. Res. 41, S. 767, and S. 810, each to provide for the establishment of a National Commission on Intergovernmental Relations, with the following witnesses appearing generally in support of the proposed legislation; John Burton, director of the budget, New York; William L. Chenery, publisher of Colliers; Stanford Schewel, consultant to the Hoover Commission; and Frank Bane, executive director, Council of State Governors—all affiliated with the Hoover Committee on Federal-State Relations of the Commission on Organization of the Executive Branch of the Government; Charles Conlon, executive director, Federation of Tax Administrators; and Senator Bricker. Senator Bricker appeared in support of his own bill, S. 767. Hearings continue tomorrow.

Thursday, May 12, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate considered D. C. revenue bill.
House passed State Department reorganization bill.
Bill on National Security Act amendments reported to Senate.
Public housing bill ordered reported by House group.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 6076–6082

Bills Introduced: Seven bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 1840 to S. 1846; and S. J. Res. 91. Page 6088

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 1843, to convert the National Military Establishment into an executive department to be known as the Department of Defense, and to establish the responsibility and authority of the Secretary of Defense (Na-

tional Security Act Amendments of 1949) (S. Rept. 366);

S. 1557, appointment of an additional judge for D. C. juvenile court (S. Rept. 367);

S. 1580, regarding common trust funds and to make uniform the law with reference thereto in the District (S. Rept. 368);

H. J. Res. 200, to authorize National Capital Sesquicentennial Commission to proceed with plans for celebration of the one hundred and fiftieth anniversary of the establishment of the U. S. Capital in D. C. (S. Rept. 369);

S. 885, to provide for removal of weeds from lands in the District, with amendments (S. Rept. 370); and

S. 1384, to provide for transfer of tower on Lower Souris National Wildlife Refuge to International Peace Garden, Inc. (S. Rept. 371); and

Special report by Joint Committee on Labor-Management Relations, pursuant to S. Con. Res. 10 (S. Rept. 372). Pages 6080, 6097

Fishery Compact: Conference report on S. J. Res. 42, approving an interstate compact and creating the Gulf States Marine Fisheries Commission, was adopted, thus clearing the bill for the President. Pages 6126, 6127

Joint Session: Senate adopted H. Con. Res. 59, providing for a joint session of Congress on Thursday, May 19, to hear an address by Eurico Gaspar Dutra, President of the United States of Brazil. Page 6126

D. C. Revenue: Senate continued work on H. R. 3704, to provide additional revenue for the D. C. by levying a tax on gross sales and increasing rates on various existing taxes, adopting, by voice vote, the following amendments:

Saltonstall amendment including publications of semipublic institutions among items exempted from sales tax and adding scientific organizations to the definition of "semipublic institution"; and Hunt amendment regarding solicitor's license for sale of beverages.

Pending at recess was amendment by Senator Johnston of South Carolina in the nature of a substitute providing that the Federal Government pay 25 percent of the D. C. budget. Pages 6082–6089, 6097–6110, 6119–6120

Confirmations: One hundred and eighty-six postmasters, one Coast and Geodetic Survey, and numerous routine nominations in the Army, Navy, and Air Force were confirmed. Pages 6131–6132

Nominations: Two civilian and five Navy nominations were received. Page 6131

Committee Meetings

STATE, JUSTICE, COMMERCE, AND JUDICIARY APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee continued hearings on H. R. 4016, State, Justice, Commerce, and Judiciary appropriations for 1950, with Chairman Joseph J. O'Connell, Jr., M. C. Mulligan, Secretary of the Board, and Andrew Drance, Budget and Management Section—all of the CAB, testifying in support of funds for the CAB. At the same hearings, Rear Adm. L. O. Colbert, Director, Rear Adm. J. H. Hawley, Assistant Director, and John M. Amstadt, budget officer—all of the Coast and Geodetic Survey, testified in support of departmental and field salaries and expenses for that bureau. Hearings continue tomorrow.

SECOND DEFICIENCY APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee continued hearings on H. R. 4046, second deficiency appropriations for 1949, and received testimony from the following witnesses in support of funds for the Bureau of Animal Industry for foot-and-mouth disease: William A. Minor, assistant to the Secretary of Agriculture; Dr. Bennett T. Simms, Chief of Bureau of Animal Industry, and his assistants; Col. A. T. Thompson, Department of Army; Dr. B. T. Shaw, Deputy Administrator, Agricultural Research Administration; Dr. R. E. Shope, Secretary's Advisory Committee on Foot and Mouth Disease Research; Dr. R. A. Hendershott, U. S. Live Stock Sanitary Association; Elmer Brock, Secretary's Industry Advisory Committee on Foot and Mouth Disease; J. M. Jones, National Wool Growers' Association; Joe Montague, Texas and Southwest Cattlemen's Association; F. E. Mollin, American National Live Stock Association; Representative Worley; Harold B. Tanner, Anti-Prudence Laboratory Association; and L. Blaine Liljenquist, Western States Meat Packers Association.

Senator Wherry appeared before the subcommittee in support of funds for purchase of site in Omaha, Nebr., for a public building. Hearings continue tomorrow.

NATIONAL SECURITY ACT—DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Committee on Armed Services: In executive session, the committee voted, 11 to 1, to report without amendment (committee print) S. 1843, in lieu of S. 1269, to convert the National Military Establishment into an executive department to be known as the Department of Defense, and to establish the responsibility and authority of the Secretary of Defense (National Security Act amendments of 1949). The committee-approved version makes various changes in the text of S. 1269, and adds an additional section (No. 4) dealing with budget and fiscal matters of the Department of Defense.

BATTLE OF BULGE—MILITARY TRIALS

Committee on Armed Services: Continuing hearings in pursuance of S. Res. 42, to investigate military trials of persons who massacred American soldiers in the Battle of the Bulge, the subcommittee received further background information on the Malmedy trials from Jack W. King, prison guard at the trials; and Herbert J. Strong, a member of the defense team. Hearings continue tomorrow.

RESERVE REQUIREMENTS AND CONSUMER CREDIT

Committee on Banking and Currency: Subcommittee on Federal Reserve Matters continued its hearings on S. 1775, to provide for supplemental reserve requirements for insured banks, and S. J. Res. 87, extending authority of Board of Governors of Federal Reserve System to exercise consumer-credit controls, receiving testimony in opposition to both of the bills by T. C. Boushall, president, Bank of Virginia, Richmond; and Edward E. Brown, chairman of the board, and Harold V. Amberg, vice president, both of First National Bank of Chicago. The following testified in opposition to S. 1775: W. Randolph Burgess, National City Bank of New York; D. Emmert Brumbaugh, secretary of banking, State of Pennsylvania, and National Association of Supervisors of State Banks; Richard Rapport, bank commissioner, State of Connecticut, also National Association of Supervisors of State Banks; H. M. Arthur, president, South Carolina Bankers Association; and R. C. Slaughter, president, Citizens National Bank, Orange, Va.

Alfred Williams, Federal Reserve Bank, Philadelphia, and Raymond Whittlesey, professor of finance, University of Pennsylvania, testified in support of S. 1775.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

NOMINATION

Committee on Finance: Committee heard the following witnesses, all attorneys, testify in opposition to the renomination of Judge Marion Harron to be judge of the U. S. Tax Court: Hobby H. McCall, Dallas; Allin H. Pierce, Chicago; and Paul Rodewald, Pittsburgh. Hearings continue tomorrow.

NORTH ATLANTIC PACT

Committee on Foreign Relations: Continuing hearings on the North Atlantic Pact, the committee heard the following opponent witnesses: Oliver S. Allen and Sidney L. Ordower, both of the Progressive Party; Lawrence R. Mallery, Jr., Philadelphia; Frederick J. Libby, National Council for Prevention of War; H. M. Griffith, National Economic Council, New York; A. Stauffer Curry, Church of the Brethren; and Clifford Durr, National Lawyers Guild.

Cass Canfield, Harper Bros. Publishing Co., representing United World Federalists, and Alfred Kohlberg, American-China Policy Association, testified in support of the pact. Hearings continue tomorrow.

MENOMINEE INDIANS

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Ernest F. Wilkinson, representing the Menominee Indians, together with three Indians of the same tribe, appeared before the subcommittee in support of H. R. 3396, to amend the laws relating to timber operations on the Menominee Indian Reservation in Wisconsin.

AIR-LINE INDUSTRY

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: C. R. Smith, president, American Air Lines, appeared before the committee to discuss financial conditions and operating efficiency of the air-line industry in pursuance of S. Res. 50, authorizing investigation of the air-line industry. Hearings continue tomorrow:

IMMIGRATION—SUBVERSIVE ALIENS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee held a morning executive session in connection with its study of S. 1694 and S. 1832, to amend the Immigration Act of 1918, to provide for exclusion and deportation of subversive aliens. In an open hearing in an afternoon session, the subcommittee received factual testimony from Kyril Alexeev, former member of the Russian Embassy, in connection with its hearings on the same bills. Hearings continue tomorrow.

MEDICAL RESEARCH—CHILD DEVELOPMENT

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee concluded hearings after receiving testimony from the following witnesses expressing their views on S. 904, to provide research relating to child life and development: George J. Hecht, American Parents Committee, New York; Dr. Benjamin Spock, Rochester Child Research Clinic; Lawrence K. Frank, Caroline Zachry Institute of Human Development, Inc., New York; Alfred J. Marrow, Harwood Manufacturing Co., New York; W. B. Schoenbohm, Crippied Children's Home, Jamestown, N. Dak.; Dr. Joseph Wall, American Academy of Pediatrics; and Dr. John Gillin, Professor of Anthropology, University of North Carolina.

CIVIL-SERVICE RETIREMENT

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: In executive session, the subcommittee voted to report favorably, to the full committee, with amendments, S. 1440, to amend the Civil Service Retirement Act so as to provide for payment of annuities to widows of retired employees without reduction in the annuities of such employees.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Thirteen public bills, H. R. 4659–4671; six private bills, H. R. 4672–4677; and one resolution, H. Res. 211, were introduced. Page 6157

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. Res. 195, to grant a gratuity to estate of deceased House employee (H. Rept. 571);

H. Res. 194, to grant a gratuity to estate of deceased House employee (H. Rept. 572);

H. Res. 115, authorizing an appropriation of $25,000 for the Post Office and Civil Service Committee (H. Rept. 573);

H. Res. 186, providing for holding memorial services in the House on Wednesday, May 25, 1949 (H. Rept. 574);

H. J. Res. 21, to provide for the utilization of a part of the unfinished portion of the historical frieze in the rotunda of the Capitol to portray the story of aviation (H. Rept. 575);

H. Res. 156, authorizing an appropriation of $30,000 for the Committee on the Judiciary (H. Rept. 576);

H. R. 4583, relating to telephone and telegraph service and clerk hire for Members of the House of Representatives (H. Rept. 577);

H. R. 4470, to establish a Women's Reserve as a branch of the Coast Guard Reserve (H. Rept. 578);

H. R. 1790, a private bill (H. Rept. 579); and

H. R. 4617, to liberalize the requirement for payment of pension in certain cases to veterans and their widows and children (H. Rept. 580). Pages 6156–6157

Fishery Compact: Adopted conference report on S. J. Res. 42, to grant the approval of Congress to an interstate compact relating to the better utilization of the fisheries of the Gulf coast and creating the Gulf States Marine Fisheries Commission. Page 6138

Private Bills: Agreed to the Senate amendments to H. R. 679 and H. R. 2360, two private bills, thus clearing them for Presidential action. Page 6139

Administrative Resolutions: Adopted the following administrative resolutions:

H. Res. 194 and 195, granting a gratuity to estates of certain deceased House employees.

H. Res. 115, authorizing an appropriation of $25,000 for the Committee on Post Office and Civil Service.

H. Res. 186, providing for holding memorial services in the House on Wednesday, May 25.

H. J. Res. 21, to provide for the utilization of a part of the unfinished portion of the historical frieze in the rotunda of the Capitol to portray the story of aviation.

H. Res. 156, authorizing an appropriation of $30,000 for the Committee on the Judiciary.

H. R. 4583, relating to telephone and telegraph service and clerk hire for Members of the House of Representatives. Pages 6139–6140

President's Message—United Nations: Heard message from President transmitting a report to Congress for the year 1948 on the activities of the UN and the participation of the U. S. therein. The message was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs and ordered printed as House Document No. 178. Page 6140

State Department: Passed, by voice vote, H. R. 3559, to strengthen and improve the organization and administration of the Department of State, after adopting two perfecting committee amendments. Subsequently vacated passage of H. R. 3559 and passed S. 1704, a similar Senate bill. Prior to passage of S. 1704 by the House, it was amended to embody the language of H. R. 3559. This bill establishes the authority of the Secretary of State to administer the State Department. It also provides that the Department of State shall have, in addition to the Secretary of State, an Under Secretary of State and 10 Assistant Secretaries of State, 2 of whom may be designated by the Secretary as Deputy Under Secretaries.

H. Res. 203, the rule for consideration of H. R. 3559, was previously adopted. Pages 6141–6153

Committee Meetings

FARM PROGRAM

Committee on Agriculture: The Pace Special Subcommittee on Price Supports and National Farm Program heard the testimony of Russell Smith, legislative secretary, National Farmers Union, who spoke on the need for marketing quotas and acreage allotments on wheat. Albert S. Goss, master, National Grange, appeared relative to his statement of April 30, wherein he mentioned the Grange's recommendation for the creation of a Marketing Commission or Advisory Board made up of representatives of producers, processors, and distributors, appointed by the President in consultation with the duly elected representatives of these industries, as nearly as practicable on a bipartisan (or nonpartisan) basis, confirmed by the Senate. He answered questions propounded by members of the committee. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

SUBMARINES—VESSEL CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee No. 1 approved for reporting to the full committee H. R. 4007, to amend the 1947 act to authorize the construction of experimental submarines, so as to remove the cost limitation on the vessel construction authorized by the act; and S. 779, relating to pay and allowances of Navy officers appointed to permanent grades. Rear Adm. David H. Clark, Chief, BuShips, Department of the Navy, spoke on the first-mentioned bill, and Lt. Comdr. Jack L. Kenner, BuPers, Department of the Navy, on the latter.

Also considered H. R. 321, providing for a single catalog system for the National Military Establishment, with Representative Anderson of California and W. A. Kelley, Office of Secretary of Defense, testifying. No action was taken on this bill.

HOUSING

Committee on Banking and Currency: Ordered H. R. 4009, the Housing Act of 1949, reported to the House with minor amendments.

FAIR EMPLOYMENT PRACTICES

Committee on Education and Labor: The Powell subcommittee heard the following witnesses speak in favor of the proposed fair employment practices legislation: Representatives Javits, Biemiller, Klein, and Davenport; Charles Houston, former counsel, wartime FEPC; Mike Masaoka, Japanese-American Citizens League; and Hobson R. Reynolds, representing the Civil Liberties Improved Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks of the World. Hearings will be resumed next Tuesday.

FEDERAL PROPERTY

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Met in executive session on H. R. 2781, Federal Property Act of 1949, and will meet again tomorrow morning on the same bill.

UN PARTICIPATION

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Continued consideration of H. R. 4497, amending the United Nations Participation Act of 1948, and heard testimony of Assistant Secretary of State Gross and Dean Rusk, Director, Office of Special Political Affairs, Department of State. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

ANTI-POLL TAX

Committee on House Administration: Subcommittee on Elections at the hearings on anti-poll-tax legislation heard ex-Representative Sumners of Texas speak in opposition, and ex-Representative Bender of Ohio and George Mintzer, representing the American-Jewish Committee, speak on behalf of the proposed bills.

FUR LABELING

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee on Securities and Exchange Commission, Federal Communications Commission, and Federal Trade Commission, holding hearings on bills concerning fur labeling, heard the testimony of the following proponent witnesses: Henry Miller, Director, Bureau of Trade Practice Conferences and Wool Act Administration, FTC; Joseph H. Francis, representing the National Board of Fur Farm Organizations, Morgan, Utah; Roy Harman, chairman, legislative committee, National Board of Fur Farm Organizations. Testifying in opposition were Paul W. Majerus, representing the Associated Fur Industries of Illinois; Harvey Mann and David R. Hochberg, representing the American Fur Merchants' Association, Inc., New York City; and Max Bachrach, consultant to the National Retail Dry Goods Association, New York City. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

FISH CONSERVATION

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: The Subcommittee on Fisheries and Wildlife Conservation considered H. R. 960–963, bills to establish rearing ponds and fish hatcheries in Michigan. Albert M. Day, Director, Fish and Wildlife Service, testified on these bills. The committee also heard Representative Dingell on H. R. 1746, to provide Federal Aid to States in fish restoration and management projects. The subcommittee will meet again tomorrow morning on other bills.

PART-TIME EMPLOYEES' LEAVE

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: The Carlyle subcommittee approved for reporting to the full committee H. R. 2619, extending the benefits of the annual and sick-leave laws to certain part-time employees, and heard testimony from John C. L. Andreassen, Director, Administrative Department, Library of Congress; W. L. Ellis, assistant to the Comptroller General, accompanied by L. V. Denny, attorney, GAO; Miss Elizabeth Lipscomb, special assistant to Chief Law Officer, accompanied by Miss Margaret Frickett, legal counsel, Civil Service Commission; and Col. Charles I. Stengle, legislative representative, American Federation of Government Employees.

ALASKA DEVELOPMENT

Committee on Public Lands: Special Subcommittee on Public Lands further considered H. R. 4424, on development of certain parts of Alaska by veterans, with Jack Carter, VFW, speaking in favor of the bill. Testifying against the bill were E. H. Wiecking, from the Office of the Secretary of Agriculture, and Howard Hopkins, Assistant Chief of U. S. Forest Service. Hearings will be continued next Wednesday.

CENTRAL ARIZONA PROJECT

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation, considering H. R. 934, to authorize construction of dams in the Colorado River at Bridge Canyon, heard testimony opposing the bill from Representative Baring and Arvin B. Shaw, Jr., assistant attorney general of California. Mr. Shaw will continue his testimony at tomorrow morning's meeting.

SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

Committee on Public Lands: The Subcommittee on Territorial and Insular Possessions approved the following bills for reporting to the full committee:

H. R. 2121, conveying abandoned school properties in Alaska to local school officials;

H. R. 4000, amending the Hawaiian Organic Act relative to disqualification of legislators; and

H. R. 4586, authorizing Virgin Islands to issue bonds.

Willard W. Beatty, Director of Education, U. S. Indian Service, testified in favor of the first-mentioned bill, and Irwin W. Silverman, Chief Counsel, Division of Territories, Department of the Interior, spoke in favor of the other two.

Adjourned subject to the call of the Chair.

SOCIAL SECURITY

Committee on Ways and Means: Met in executive session to further consider amendments to the Social Security Act. Will resume on this topic tomorrow morning.

Joint Committee Meetings

INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS

Joint Meeting: The following witnesses testified before the Subcommittees on Intergovernmental Relations of the *House* and *Senate Committees on Expenditures in the Executive Departments* in support of the enactment of legislation to provide for the establishment of a National Commission on Intergovernmental Relations (S. J. Res. 41, S. 767, S. 810, and H. R. 3184): Clifford Payne, chairman of Henry County Council on Intergovernmental Relations; Dr. Clarence Heer, University of North Carolina; and Representative Harvey, who testified in support of his own bill, H. R. 3184. Hearings continue tomorrow.

AEC NOMINATION

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Henry DeWolf Smyth appeared before the committee to testify in support of his own nomination to be a member of the Atomic Energy Commission. Committee adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

Friday, May 13, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate worked on D. C. revenue bill.
Senate subcommittee acted on mining claims bills.
Armed-services pay bill approved by House committee.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 6157–6171

Bills Introduced: Fourteen bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1847 to S. 1860; and S. Res. 117 and 118. Pages 6160, 6180

Reports: Reports were made as follows:

S. J. Res. 62, to proclaim June 20 of each year as Emblem Day (S. Rept. 373); and

Views of certain members of Joint Committee on Labor-Management Relations, relating to Taft-Hartley Act (S. Rept. 374). Page 6160

Bills Referred: Two House-passed bills were referred to appropriate committees. Page 6160

D. C. Revenue: Senate continued work on H. R. 3704, to provide additional revenue for D. C. by levying a tax on gross sales and increasing rates on various existing taxes, disposing of the following amendments by Senator Johnston of South Carolina:

Adopted: by voice vote, amendment to the committee amendment so as to double liquor taxes in D. C.; and by 34 yeas to 27 nays, amendment increasing D. C. income taxes and eliminating all sales taxes.

Rejected: by 22 yeas to 41 nays, amendment in the nature of a substitute providing that the Federal Government pay 25 percent of the D. C. budget; by voice vote, amendment to tax D. C. realty at rate of $2.25 per $100; and by voice vote, amendment to remove exemption from sales tax of sales of newspapers.

Senator Hickenlooper then moved to reconsider the amendment to increase income taxes and eliminate sales tax, which remained the pending question at recess.

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Nominations: Nominations of Francis P. Matthews, of Nebraska, to be Secretary of the Navy; Dan A. Kimball, of California, to be Under Secretary of Navy; and Gordon Gray, of North Carolina, to be Under Secretary of the Army, along with one Navy nomination, were received. Page 6201

Committee Meetings

STATE, JUSTICE, COMMERCE, AND JUDICIARY APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee, continuing hearings on H. R. 4016, State, Justice, Commerce, and Judiciary appropriations for 1950, heard the following chiefs of divisions and their respective assistants in support of funds for their respective agencies: Lawrence C. Kingsland, Commissioner of Patents; E. U. Condon, Director, National Bureau of Standards; Dr. F. W. Reichelderfer, Chief of Weather Bureau; and Carlton Hayward, Director, Field Service, Foreign and Domestic Commerce. Hearings continue May 17.

SECOND DEFICIENCY APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee continued hearings on H. R. 4046, second deficiency appropriations for 1949, with Raymond M. Foley, Housing and Home Finance Agency, and assistants, testifying in support of funds for the Housing and Home Finance Agency; C. D. Curtiss, J. S. Bright, and J. C. Allen, all of Public Roads Administration, C. M. Granger, B. F. Heintzleman, and H. R. Jones, all of the Forest Service, in support of funds for forest highways; Wayne C. Grover, Archivist, National Archives, on Freedom Train item; Francis A. O'Neill, Jr., Chairman of National Mediation Board, and assistants, on funds for arbitration boards; Tighe E. Woods, Housing Expediter, in behalf of funds for the Housing Expediter; and various witnesses on several items for the District of Columbia. Hearings continue May 16.

BATTLE OF BULGE—MILITARY TRIALS

Committee on Armed Services: Dr. William Perl, chief interrogator at the Malmedy trials, and Calvin Unterseher, medical noncommissioned officer at the war crimes trials, testified before the subcommittee in connection with its hearings on S. Res. 42, to investigate military trials of persons who massacred American soldiers in the Battle of the Bulge. Hearings continue May 16.

RESERVE REQUIREMENTS AND CONSUMER CREDIT

Committee on Banking and Currency: Subcommittee on Federal Reserve Matters heard the following witnesses testify in opposition to S. J. Res. 87, extending authority of Board of Governors of Federal Reserve System to exercise consumer credit controls: Mr. Hess, Consumers' Bankers Association; Myron R. Bone, American Industrial Bankers Association, Fort Wayne, Ind.; M. I. Behrens, Jr., Ludwig Baumann, New York; F. R. Houlihan, Moller's, Cambridge, Mass.; Robert Cutshall, Reid & Cutshall, Roanoke, Va.; Dr. Ernst A. Dauer, Household Finance Corp., Chicago, and R. E. Carter, Hunt Furniture Co., Baltimore.

Benjamin C. Marsh, People's Lobby, Washington, testified in support of the bill.

Maple T. Harl, FDIC, Washington, discussed S. J. Res. 87, stating that he favored consumer credit controls and an extension of the present power of the Federal Reserve System as to bank-reserve requirements. In connection with S. 1775, to provide for supplemental reserve requirements for insured banks, he stated that he felt further study of the matter is required before these powers should be made applicable to nonmember insured banks.

Dr. Ralph A. Young, Federal Reserve Board, appeared before the subcommittee to reply to charges made against continuation of Regulation W.

Leo Hurd, National Retail Furniture Association appeared to deny that prices of furniture were high in comparison to other goods.

NOMINATION

Committee on Finance: The following witnesses appeared before the committee to testify in opposition to the renomination of Judge Marion Harron to be judge of the U. S. Tax Court: Thomas Wilkins and Theodore Benson, attorneys of Washington, D. C.; Cecil Kilpatrick, chairman of section of taxation of American Bar Association; and Percy W. Phillips, chairman of committee on appointments to the Tax Court of the American Bar Association. Committee will consider this nomination further in 2 or 3 weeks.

NORTH ATLANTIC PACT

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee continued hearings on the North Atlantic Pact, receiving testimony from the following proponents of the pact: Gilbert A. Harrison, AVC; Bernard Weitzer, Jewish War Veterans of the U. S.; Elliott Newcomb, AMVETS; Mrs. Loretta Falsey, American War Mothers; Jane Hayford, Women, Inc., (with reservations); Charles LaFollette, Americans for Democratic Action; Ely Culbertson, Citizens Committee for United Nations Reform; and Hamilton Fish.

Mrs. Alexander Stewart, Women's International League for Peace and Freedom; David S. Richie, Moorestown, N. J.; Donald Henderson, Food, Tobacco, Agricultural, and Allied Workers Union, CIO; and Frederick Smedley, testified against the pact. Hearings continue May 16.

MINING CLAIMS

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Subcommittee voted to report to the full committee at its next meeting May 16, without amendment, H. R. 1754, to provide for the suspension of annual assessment work on mining claims held by location in the U. S.; and, with amendment to protect right of surface holders, H. R. 3754, providing for temporary deferment in certain unavoidable contingencies of annual assessment work on mining claims held by location in the U. S.

Subcommittee indefinitely postponed S. 1141, providing for suspension of annual assessment work on mining claims held by location in the U. S., and Senator Murray withdrew S. J. Res. 57, regarding annual assessment work on mining claims, in favor of H. R. 1754.

Before taking this action, the subcommittee held hearings on the four bills mentioned above, with the following witnesses testifying generally in support of the proposed legislation: Representative Peterson (in support of his bill, H. R. 3754); Paul Bechtner, president, American Colloid Co., Chicago; S. D. Saylor, Washington representative of the National Lead Co.; C. R. Bradshaw, Bureau of Land Management, Department of Interior; and George Soule, Mines and Mining Subcommittee of the House Public Lands Committee.

Full committee meets May 16 on calendar business, and subcommittee holds hearings on H. R. 2989, to incorporate the Virgin Islands Corporation.

AIR-LINE INDUSTRY

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Continuing hearings in pursuance of S. Res. 50, investigation of the air-line industry, the committee received further testimony on the financial conditions and operating efficiency of the air-line industry from Capt. C. H. Schildauer, USNR (retired); George Haney, Coastal Air Lines; and James Fischgrund, vice president, Standard Air Lines. Hearings continue May 16.

IMMIGRATION—SUBVERSIVE ALIENS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee continued hearings on S. 1694 and S. 1832, to amend the Immigration Act of 1918, to provide for exclusion and deportation of subversive aliens, receiving further testimony in executive session in connection with the bills from Kyril Alexeev, former member of the Russian Embassy. Elizabeth Bentley, lecturer, testified in open session in the afternoon on the same legislation.

GENERAL PAY BILLS

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Subcommittee held hearings on general pay bills for Government employees (S. 559, S. 558, S. 1762, S. 1772, and S. 1790) with the following witnesses testifying generally in support of the bills: Senator Ives; Representatives Miller of California, Kunkel, and Burke; J. G. Yaden, president, American Federation of Government Employees; Burris Jackson, president, National Association of Postmasters; Robert Rice, president, Railway Mail Association; William C. Armbrust, president, UNAPOC; Harry N. Leet, Labor Department; Willard L. Manning, president, National Rural Letter Carriers Association; George L. Warfel, president, National Association of Special Delivery Messengers; Paul Castiglioni, president, National Federation of Motor Vehicle Employees; Roy Eldean, international vice president, UPWA; Floyd A. Bishop, National League of District Postmaster; Thomas Maddock, National Association of Federal Mechanics; and Mrs. Herman H. Lowe, Women's Auxiliary, NFPO, Nashville. Hearings continue May 18.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Monday, May 16, at 12 o'clock noon.

Committee Meetings

FARM PROGRAM

Committee on Agriculture: Pace Special Subcommittee on Price Supports and National Farm Program met in executive session and decided that hearings in connection with the farm program would be concluded Wednesday, May 18. Immediately following the conclusion of the hearings the committee will begin to write legislation on the program.

LAND SALE AND TRANSFER—REFORESTATION

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee No. 3 considered H. R. 3982, authorizing the Secretary of Agriculture to sell 15.86 acres of land to the Sisters of St. Joseph in Tucson, Ariz. Representative Patton, author of the bill, appeared in its behalf, and F. W. Grover, of the Forest Service, Department of Agriculture, stated that the Department would have no objections to it.

Also considered H. J. Res. 167, authorizing reforestation and revegetation of the forests and range lands of the national forests. This program would cover 15 years and calls for an appropriation of $173,750,000. Representative Mansfield, author of the bill, spoke on its behalf. C. M. Granger, assistant forester of the Department of Agriculture, said that the Department recommended enactment of the resolution. He was accompanied by W. N. Dutton, of the U. S. Forest Service, who answered specific questions. Marion Clawson, Bureau of Land Management, said that his agency endorsed the program and pointed out the need of reforestation in other national lands.

Heard F. W. Parker, Assistant Chief, Bureau of Plant Industry, Soils, and Agricultural Engineering, who testified on behalf of H. R. 3715, which authorizes the transfer of certain agricultural dry land and irrigation field stations to the States in which such stations are located.

PAY BILL—BERLIN AIR LIFT—RESERVE BENEFITS

Committee on Armed Services: Ordered the following bills reported to the House:

H. R. 4591, armed-services pay bill;

H. R. 2737, to award medal for Berlin air-lift operations; and

S. 213, to allow death and disability benefits to members of Reserve components.

FEDERAL PROPERTY

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Ordered H. R. 2781 reported to the House. A clean bill will be introduced on Monday on this measure which would simplify the procurement, utilization, and disposal of Government property and regroup certain agencies of the Government.

WAR-HOUSING DISPOSAL

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: The Subcommittee on Government Operations, Representative Hardy, chairman, announced today that after preliminary examination and an executive hearing with the officials of the Housing and Home Finance Agency and subsidiary agencies, it had approved an official study of the war-housing disposal activities of these groups for the purpose of determining efficiency and economy in operation. Studies by this subcommittee are authorized under the Legislative Reorganization Act of 1946.

UN PARTICIPATION

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Continued executive discussions on H. R. 4497, amending the United Nations Participation Act of 1948. They will resume on this bill on Monday morning.

FUR LABELING

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Concluded hearings on H. R. 97 and 3755, fur-labeling bills, and received testimony from Isidore Bergner, representing the Fur Brokers Association of America; Joseph L. Stein, representing the Fur Dressers and Fur Dyers Association, Inc.; Charles Gold, general counsel, Master Furriers Guild of America, Inc.; Louis Weber, representing the Fur Wholesalers Association of America, Inc.; and Manfred Benedek, representing the Associated Fur Manufacturers, Inc. All above-mentioned associations are located in New York City. Other witnesses were Max Albach, representing A. Hollander & Son, Inc., Newark, N. J., and Rowland Jones, Jr., representing the American Retail Federation, Washington, D. C.

HOLIDAYS—NATIONAL SECURITY—PATENTS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 4 agreed to report the following bills favorably to the full committee: S. J. Res. 12, authorizing the President to proclaim the week in which June 6, 1949, occurs as Patrick Henry Week; H. R. 968, declaring Good Friday in each year a legal holiday (amended to apply for 1 year only); H. R. 3776, relating to the internal security of the United States (amended).

Also, ordered reported adversely to full committee H. R. 4155, to provide for the extension of patents whenever the use of same has been prevented by war or other causes and providing for the extension of patents for persons who serve in the military or naval forces of the United States during a war.

FISH CONSERVATION

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Subcommittee on Fisheries and Wildlife Conservation considered the following bills and heard the following witnesses thereon: H. R. 1746, to provide Federal aid to States in fish restoration and management projects; Albert M. Day, Director, Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior; Dr. Ira N. Gabrielson, Wildlife Management Institute; Carl Shumaker, National Wildlife Federation; Frank Mulkern, Izaak Walton League of America; and Michael Hudoba, secretary, Outdoor Writers Association. H. R. 2298, to amend present laws relating to Federal aid to States in wildlife restoration projects; Representative Harvey, author of the bill, and Albert M. Day, Director, Fish and Wildlife Service. H. R. 2501, authorizing the U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service to undertake a continual study of the shad, Alosa sapidissima, of the Atlantic Coast; Wayne D. Heydecker, secretary-treasurer, Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission. H. R. 579, a private bill: Representative Barden, author of the measure. H. R. 4249 and 4252, to transfer the trawlers *Alaska* and *Oregon* from RFC to Fish and Wildlife Service: Representative Colmer; Herbert R. Rutland, Chief, Plant Liquidation, RFC; Alan B. Brown, assistant general counsel, RFC; M. C. James, Assistant Director, Fish and Wildlife Service; and R. H. Anderson, Chief, Bureau of Fisheries Department.

Later, in executive session, the subcommittee ordered the following bills reported to the full committee: H. R. 2501, H. R. 579, and H. R. 4252, last three bills mentioned above; H. R. 961, to establish rearing ponds and fish hatcheries in Michigan, amended; H. R. 2740, to establish rearing ponds and fish hatchery near Millen, Ga.; H. R. 3046, to authorize expansion of facilities at Cape Vincent, N. Y., Fish Cultural Station; H. J. Res. 202, relating to investigation and eradication of predatory sea lampreys of Great Lakes; and H. Res. 174, requesting the Secretaries of State and Commerce and the Tariff Commission to investigate the domestic fishing industry and report thereon, amended.

POSTAL RATES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: At the hearings on H. R. 2945, to increase certain postal rates, the following witnesses testified: George L. Warfel, president, National Association of Special Delivery Messengers, Washington, D. C.; Edward N. Mayer, Jr., Direct Mail Advertising Co., Inc., New York City; and William Bradley, Whaling Distributing Co., New York City. Hearings will be continued on Monday.

CENTRAL ARIZONA PROJECT

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation heard Arvin B. Shaw, Jr., assistant attorney general of California, who spoke in opposition to H. R. 934, authorizing construction of dams on the Colorado River at Bridge Canyon.

SPANISH-AMERICAN VETERANS, HOSPITALIZATION

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: The Teague subcommittee considering H. R. 4074, liberalizing hospitalization eligibility requirements for Spanish-American War veterans, heard Guy H. Birdsall, Assistant Administrator for Legislation, Veterans' Administration; T. F. Daley, of the same office; and Dr. H. A. Press of the Veterans' Administration Medical Service. Omar B. Ketchum, director, VFW Legislative Service, also testified.

SOCIAL SECURITY

Committee on Ways and Means: Held further executive consideration of proposed amendments to the Social Security Act. Will continue on this subject Monday morning.

Joint Committee Meetings

INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS

Joint Meeting: Subcommittees on Intergovernmental Relations of the *House* and *Senate Committees on Expenditures in the Executive Departments* concluded hearings on proposed legislation to provide for the establishment of a National Commission on Intergovernmental Relations (S. J. Res. 41, S. 767, and S. 810), after receiving testimony today in support of the legislation from Russell E. Watson, New Jersey State Chamber of Commerce; Elmer B. Staats, executive assistant, U. S. Bureau of Budget; Thomas J. Lynch, general counsel, U. S. Treasury Department; Dr. James Mountin, Bureau of State Services, U. S. Public Health Service, FSA; and Clarence Turner, Pennsylvania State Chamber of Commerce.

The Senate subcommittee is expected to meet next week in executive session to act on reporting this proposed legislation to its full committee.

Monday, May 16, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed bills on reorganization of Government and D. C. revenue.
House passed 31 miscellaneous bills.
Senate groups voted to report numerous noncontroversial bills.
House committee opened hearings on flood-control projects.
Both Houses cleared first deficiency appropriations for White House.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 6203–6207

Bills Introduced: Eleven bills and three resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1861 to S. 1871; S. J. Res. 92; and S. Con. Res. 39 and 40. Pages 6205–6207

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. R. 2285, to amend U. S. Code with respect to relaxation of provisions governing copyright of foreign works (S. Rept. 375);

The following private bills: S. Con. Res. 39 and 40, S. 1296, H. R. 603, 636, 639, 688, 738, 967, 1037, 1057, 1076, 1471, and 3663 (S. Repts. 376–389, respectively); and

S. 1290, to establish and effectuate a policy with respect to creation or chartering certain corporations by act of Congress, with amendments (S. Rept. 390).

Pages 6205–6207

CCC Charter: Senate asked for a conference on S. 900, to amend comprehensively the CCC Charter, and appointed as conferees Senators Thomas of Oklahoma, Ellender, Anderson, Aiken, and Young.

Pages 6201–6202

D. C. Revenue: Senate passed by 47 yeas to 21 nays H. R. 3704, to provide additional revenue for the D. C. by levying a tax on gross sales and increasing rates on various existing taxes, after taking the following action: Vote by which Senate had previously adopted amendment by Senator Johnston, to increase D. C. revenue tax and eliminate sales tax, was reconsidered and the amendment was modified by Senator Johnston so it would increase D. C. income tax but would not eliminate sales tax from the bill. This modified amendment was then rejected 28 yeas to 39 nays. An amendment by Senator Johnston to eliminate the sales tax from the bill was rejected by 23 yeas to 43 nays.

A conference was requested and the following conferees appointed: Senators Hunt, McGrath, Johnston, McCarthy, and Schoeppel. Pages 6202, 6207–6222

Government Reorganization: Senate passed by voice vote H. R. 2361, Reorganization Act of 1949, after taking the following action:

Senate considered S. 526, a similar bill, approving all committee amendments and adopting by voice vote Byrd amendment requiring President to submit estimate of savings involved in any reorganization plan he submits to Congress. The Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments was then discharged from further consideration of H. R. 2361, all language after the enacting clause was stricken out, and the provisions of S. 526, as amended, were inserted in place of the language of H. R. 2361. S. 526 was indefinitely postponed.

Senate asked for a conference and appointed as conferees Senators McClellan, Eastland, Hoey, McCarthy, and Ives. Pages 6223–6231

State Department: Senate concurred in House amendment to S. 1704, to strengthen and improve the organization of the State Department, thus clearing the bill for the President. Page 6222

First Deficiency Appropriations: Senate agreed to conference report on H. R. 2632, first deficiency appropriations for 1949, clearing the bill for the White House. Pages 6231–6232

Reciprocal Trade: H. R. 1211, extension of reciprocal trade agreements, was made the unfinished business of the Senate. Page 6232

General Clay: General Lucius Clay will address the Senate tomorrow afternoon, Tuesday, May 17, in pursuance of a unanimous-consent agreement. Page 6242

Nominations: 526 nominations were received, including 4 in the Army, 218 in the Air Force, and 304 Post Office. Pages 6242–6246

Committee Meetings

SECOND DEFICIENCY APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee continued hearings on H. R. 4046, second deficiency appropriations for 1949, receiving testimony from various officials from the departments of the Government concerned in support of funds for the following purposes: Research and agricultural problems of Alaska; control of forest pests; Forest Service, "snow relief"; Forest Service, emergency reconstruction and repair; Weather Bureau; Veterans' Administration; Office of the Solicitor of the Department of Justice; Immigration and Naturalization Service; Federal Prison System, together with various other items for the Department of Justice; forest roads and trails; and Navy.

J. T. Sanders, National Grange, appeared in support of funds for foot-and-mouth-disease laboratory; and George M. Fuller and R. A. Colgan, National Lumber Manufacturers Association, and W. D. Hagenstein appeared in support of funds for control of forest pests. Hearings continue tomorrow.

BATTLE OF BULGE—MILITARY TRIALS

Committee on Armed Services: Dr. William Perl, chief interrogator at the Malmedy trials, continued his testimony before the subcommittee in connection with its hearings on S. Res. 42, to investigate military trials of persons who massacred American soldiers in the Battle of the Bulge. Hearings continue tomorrow.

FOREIGN SHIPMENTS—MARINE INSURANCE

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Investigations Subcommittee opened hearings on an investigation of complaints that in certain foreign shipments, financed by U. S. funds, the invoices submitted to the Government were padded or inflated to permit certain freight forwarders to receive cash kickbacks on ocean marine insurance. The following witnesses appeared to give background information on the subject: W. L. Dennison and Walter C. Sauer, both of the Export-Import Bank, and George Inselman, Marine Office of America.

The subcommittee announced that it was investigating these complaints because the U. S. is financing projects throughout most of the world, and every effort should be made to insure that our American dollars, made available for the aid of foreign countries, are not siphoned off into the hands of unscrupulous and self-seeking individuals rather than being used for the legitimate and worthy purposes for which they were intended. Hearings continue tomorrow.

NORTH ATLANTIC PACT

Committee on Foreign Relations: The following witnesses appeared before the committee to express their views on the North Atlantic Pact: H. M. Brown, Inter-

national Association of Machinists; Charles F. Boss, Jr., Committee on World Peace of the Methodist Church; Mrs. Clifford Bender, women's division of Christian service, the Methodist Church; Ewing Cockrell, U. S. Federation of Justice; Bishop W. J. Walls, second episcopal district, A. M. E. Zion Church, Chicago; Paul L. Rhoads, Reading Pa.; R. H. Peters, Jr., Springfield, Pa.; Lee A. Howe, representing Baptist Fellowship; Mrs. Carolyn H. Stewart, Washington; and a representative of the Young Progressives of America, New York. Hearings continue tomorrow.

MINING CLAIMS, INDIANS, INTERSTATE COMPACT, AND PUBLIC LANDS

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: In executive session, the committee voted to report 10 bills as follows: With amendment, H. R. 1754, to provide for the suspension of annual assessment work on mining claims held by location in the U. S., and H. R. 3754, providing for temporary deferment in certain unavoidable contingencies of annual assessment work on mining claims held by location in the U. S.; and, without amendment, H. R. 2931, private bill, H. R. 55, to include certain lands in Carson National Forest, N. Mex., H. R. 1337, to authorize sale of certain public lands in Alaska to the Alaska Council of Boy Scouts of America, H. R. 2566, granting congressional consent to States of Montana, North Dakota, and Wyoming to enter a compact for division of waters of the Yellowstone River, H. R. 2812, authorizing sale of certain land to Russian Orthodox Greek Catholic Church of North America, H. R. 3259, add lands to Abraham Lincoln National Historical Park. Ky., H. R. 3396, to amend the law relating to timber operations on the Menominee Indian Reservation in Wisconsin, and H. R. 3181, to provide for more effective conservation in the arid and semiarid areas of the U. S.

VIRGIN ISLANDS

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Subcommittee held a round-table discussion with officials of the Interior Department on H. R. 2989, to incorporate the Virgin Islands Corporation. Subcommittee continues tomorrow.

INDIANS

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Representatives Lemke and Morris testified before the subcommittee in support of S. J. Res. 11, relative to ratification of contract for purchase of certain Indian lands by the U. S. from the Three Affiliated Tribes of Fort Berthold Reservation, N. Dak.

AIR-LINE INDUSTRY

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Raymond Norden, president, Seaboard & Western Air Lines, appeared before the committee to discuss the place of irregular air carriers in overocean air commerce in connection with the committee's hearings in pursuance of S. Res. 50, investigation and study of the financial condition and operating efficiency of the airline industry. Hearings continue tomorrow.

INLAND WATERWAYS CORPORATION

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee held hearings on S. 211, to amend the act to create the Inland Waterways Corporation, to increase the capital stock and authorize appropriation of an additional $18,000,000 for paying for such subscription, receiving testimony from the following proponent witnesses: Senator Butler; A. D. Strong, Upper Mississippi Waterway Association; Louis A. Schwartz, New Orleans Traffic and Transportation Bureau; O. C. Olsen, traffic manager of port of New Orleans; George Whitney, president, Young Men's Business Association; Doss Berry, Baton Rouge Traffic Bureau, Inc.; Joseph Henderson, president, American Association of Small Business; William L. Stevenson, Marine Engineers Beneficial Association; C. R. Sayre, Stoneville, Miss.; and Chester C. Thompson, president, American Waterways Operators, Inc. Subcommittee adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

CORPORATIONS, COPYRIGHTS, IMMIGRATION, PRIVATE CLAIMS, AND NOMINATIONS

Committee on the Judiciary: In executive session, the committee voted to report to the Senate the following bills: with amendment, S. 1290, to establish and effectuate a policy with respect to creation or chartering certain corporations by act of Congress; and, without amendment, H. R. 2285, to amend U. S. Code with respect to relaxation of provisions governing copyright of foreign works; and 12 private claims bills (S. 1296, H. R. 603, 636, 639, 688, 738, 967, 1037, 1057, 1076, 1471, and 3663).

Two original concurrent resolutions on deportation referral cases were authorized to be introduced and reported.

The nomination of one district judge (Robert E. Tehan, eastern district of Wisconsin), and two U. S. marshals were voted reported favorably.

Five private claims bills (S. 777, 830, 1062, H. R. 737, and 1490) and two bills on National Heart Week (S. J. Res. 35) and Children's Day (S. J. Res. 67) were indefinitely postponed.

IMMIGRATION—SUBVERSIVE ALIENS

Committee on the Judiciary: Paul Crouch, former Communist, appeared before the subcommittee to discuss Communists and their activities in the U. S. in connection with the subcommittee's hearings on S. 1694, to amend the Immigration Act of 1918, to provide for exclusion and deportation of subversive aliens.

POSTAL EMPLOYEES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Subcommittee heard 13 witnesses testify in support of S. 689, to permit certain postal employees or substitute postal employees to receive credit for military service: E. C. Hallbeck, National Federation of Post Office Clerks; Jerome Keating, National Association of Letter Carriers; Thomas Walters, Government Employees Council; Robert Rice, Railway Mail Association; Omar Ketchum and George L. MacElroy, VFW; Harry V. Hayden, American Legion; Wm. C. Armbrust, president, United National Association of Post Office Clerks; Charles E. Foster, DAV; Clarence Adamy, AMVETS; William J. Houston, American Federation of Government Employees; Sam Friedman, Joint Conference of Affiliated Post Office Employees; Roy Messer, National Association of Postal Employees; and Charles L. Ashcraft, National Rural Letter Carriers Association.

The following two witnesses appeared in opposition to the bill: Maurice B. Feimster, Post Office Department; and Ismar Baruch, Civil Service Commission.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Thirty-nine public bills, H. R. 4678–4716; six private bills, H. R. 4717–4722; and nine resolutions, H. J. Res. 241 and 242, and H. Res. 213–219, were introduced. Pages 6301–6302

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. R. 4567, to amend the Displaced Persons Act of 1948, relative to number of displaced persons to be admitted (H. Rept. 581);

S. 213, to extend to reservists and National Guardsmen, killed or injured while rendering service for short periods of time, the same benefits they would receive if serving for periods in excess of 30 days (H. Rept. 582);

H. R. 4591, to provide pay and physical disability retirement for members of the uniformed services (H. Rept. 583);

Conference report on H. R. 2632, the first deficiency appropriation bill for 1949 (H. Rept. 584);

H. Res. 212, providing for consideration of, and 2 hours of general debate on, H. R. 3825, to amend the Federal Crop Insurance Act relative to expansion of coverage (H. Rept. 585);

H. J. Res. 196, to create a Joint Committee on Lobbying Activities (H. Rept. 586);

H. R. 4261, a private bill (H. Rept. 586);

H. R. 892, to establish a Federal Interagency Committee on Recreation (H. Rept. 588);

H. R. 1694, to provide for return of rehabilitation and betterment of costs of Federal reclamation projects (H. Rept. 589); and

H. R. 4009, the Housing Act of 1949 (H. Rept. 590). Pages 6250, 6291–6294, 6301

Consent Calendar: Passed the following bills on the call of the Consent Calendar:

Cleared for the President:

Land: S. 460, to reconvey tract of land to Helena, Mont., Chamber of Commerce, now held by the Veterans' Administration.

Insurance: S. 461, clarifying provisions of section 602 (u) of the National Service Life Insurance Act of 1940.

Arizona scenery: S. 812 in lieu of H. R. 2872, to protect certain scenic values within Coconino National Forest, Ariz.

Veterans' canteen: S. 1185, providing that all employees of Veterans' Canteen Service shall be paid from funds of the Service.

Sent to the Senate without amendment:

Census data fees: H. R. 142, to exempt certain persons from the requirement of paying fees for certain census data.

Commerce Department: H. R. 162, to provide basic authority for the performance of certain functions of Department of Commerce.

Veterans' compensation: H. R. 2108, to amend Public Law 877 (80th Cong.), to define the term "wife" to include "dependent husband."

Drugs: H. R. 3151, to amend Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to provide for certification of drugs composed of certain ingredients.

Cotton statistics: H. R. 3444, to improve the administration of activities relating to collection of cotton statistics.

Canadian River compact: H. R. 3482, giving consent of Congress to negotiation of compact relating to waters of Canadian River by Oklahoma, Texas, and New Mexico.

Public land sales: H. R. 3576, to repeal certain obsolete laws relating to the sale of public lands.

Surplus airports: H. R. 3851, to amend Public Law 289 (80th Cong.) relative to surplus airport property and to provide for the transfer of compliance functions with relation to such property.

Lighthouse keepers: H. R. 4471, to regulate hours and pay of civilian keepers of lighthouses and civilians employed on lightships and other Coast Guard vessels.

Coast Guard: H. R. 4566, to revise, codify, and enact into law title 14 of U. S. Code entitled "Coast Guard."

Sent to Senate, amended:

War claims: S. 326, extending time for filing under War Claims Act.

Retirement: H. R. 86, to extend coverage of Civil Service Retirement Act to officers and employees of Columbia Institution for the Deaf.

Land conveyance: H. R. 1720, to convey lands in Missoula County, Mont., for benefit of State university.

Reclamation: H. R. 1922, to amend section 10 of the Reclamation Project Act of 1939, with relation to easements and rights-of-way.

Land acquisition: H. R. 2197, to authorize acquisition of certain lands for public-use purposes by Missoula County, Mont.

Indian lands: H. R. 2432, to restore to tribal ownership certain lands upon the Colville Indian Reservation, Wash.

Alaskan trails: H. R. 3196, to authorize appropriations for roads and other aids to transportation serving lands and facilities under jurisdiction of Bureau of Indian Affairs in Alaska.

Retirement exemption: H. R. 3512, to exempt from the application of the Civil Service Retirement Act certain temporary employees of the U. S.

Indian schools: H. R. 3881, to provide for use of State course of study in schools operated by the Bureau of Indian Affairs in South Dakota upon petition therefor.

Civil aeronautics: H. R. 4082, to improve the administration of the Civil Aeronautics Act of 1938.

Arkansas River compact: H. R. 4151, to grant the consent of the United States to the Arkansas River pact.

Radio: H. R. 4251, to authorize expenditures for land for radio-monitoring stations.

Alaskan claims: H. R. 4289, settlers in Alaska to record notice of settlement claims in district land office.

Pages 6250–6285

Airlift Medal: Passed H. R. 2737, to establish the Medal for Humane Action for award to persons serving in or with the U. S. armed forces participating in Berlin airlift. Pages 6280–6282

U. S. Code: Agreed to Senate amendments to H. R. 3762, to amend titles 18 and 28 of U. S. Code, on criminal and judicial procedure, thus clearing the bill for the President. Pages 6283–6284

Indian Rehabilitation: Passed H. R. 3974, to promote the rehabilitation of the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe of Indians and better utilization of the resources of their reservation. Pages 6284–6285

Cooperative Forestry Programs: Suspended the rules and passed H. R. 2296, to establish Federal-State cooperation in forestry activities by amending Clarke-McNary Act of 1924. Pages 6285–6290

First Deficiency: Adopted by a vote of 292 to 17, the conference report on H. R. 2632, the first deficiency appropriation bill for 1949. Pages 6291–6298

Maritime Commission: Adopted H. J. Res. 235, to continue authority of Maritime Commission to sell, charter, and operate vessels. Pages 6290, 6298

Commodity Credit Corporation: Insisted on its amendment to S. 900, to amend the Commodity Credit Corporation Charter Act and the Strategic and Critical Materials Stock Piling Act, agreed to a conference requested by the Senate, and appointed Representatives Spence, Brown of Georgia, Patman, Monroney, Wolcott, Gamble, and Kunkel as conferees on the part of the House. Page 6298

Washington and Lee University: The Speaker appointed Representatives Harrison, Albert, Brown of Ohio, and Wadsworth, on the part of the House, to serve with himself on the U. S.-Washington and Lee University Bicentennial Commission. Page 6298

Committee Meetings

MILITARY CATALOG SYSTEM

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee No. 1 held open hearings on H. R. 321, to provide a single catalog system for the National Military Establishment. Testimony was taken from the following witnesses: Rear Adm. Francis C. Denebrink, Munitions Board; and Rear Adm. Morton L. Ring and Commander George W. Ritter, both of the Department of the Navy.

ILLEGITIMATE CHILDREN

Committee on the District of Columbia: The Subcommittee on the Judiciary heard the following witnesses in connection with H. R. 3361, relating to children born out of wedlock: Irving Bryan, representing the Corporation Counsel; Lowry N. Coe, president, and Arthur Hilland, both of the D. C. Bar Association; Miss Virginia Clary, Director of Social Work for Juvenile Court; Miss Margaret Earley, Women's Bar Association; Miss Florence A. Murray, Catholic Charities; Mrs. Lois S. Parsons, representing the House of Mercy; and Melvin A. Glasser, American Association of Social Workers. Will continue on this subject at a later date.

FEDERAL EMPLOYEES COMPENSATION

Committee on Education and Labor: The Kelley subcommittee held executive discussion on H. R. 3191, providing compensation for Federal employees and civilian officers suffering injuries while in the performance of their duties. Will meet on this bill again tomorrow.

ELECTION CONTEST

Committee on House Administration: Subcommittee on Elections decided unanimously not to grant a time extension in the Davis-Fuller (New York) election contest. This subcommittee meets tomorrow to continue hearings on anti-poll-tax legislation.

POSTAL RATES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Continued public hearings on H. R. 2945, to increase certain postal rates, and received the testimony of the following witnesses: Philip G. Rettig, director of research services, National Society for Crippled Children and Adults, Chicago, Ill.; Carleton W. Richardson, vice president, United Business Service, Boston, Mass.; and I. R. Dickson, vice president, National Bellas Hess, Inc., New York City. Hearings will be continued Wednesday, at which time Postmaster General Donaldson has been tentatively scheduled to appear.

NAVAJO-HOPI INDIANS

Committee on Public Lands: The Subcommittee on Indian Affairs resumed consideration of H. R. 3476, to promote rehabilitation of Navajo and Hopi Tribes of Indians. Speaking on behalf of this program were Representatives Fernandez and Patten; Albert G. Fiedler, of the Coast and Geodetic Survey; Edward J. Painton, Indian Bureau; and David Whatley, a private citizen. Will continue on this bill at tomorrow's meeting.

MINERAL RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT

Committee on Public Lands: The Subcommittee on Mines and Mining approved H. R. 2494 for reporting to the full committee. This bill would authorize prospecting, development, mining, removal, and utilization of the mineral resources on power-site lands and on acquired forest lands. Testifying in favor of this legislation were John Sieker, head of Division of Recreation and Lands, National Forest Divisions, and Marion Clawson, Director, Bureau of Land Management. They also discussed the proposed amendments suggested by their respective agencies.

The subcommittee also considered H. R. 388, to permit mining, development, and utilization of the mineral resources of all public lands withdrawn or reserved for power development. The above-mentioned officials spoke in favor of this measure, which will be considered further at tomorrow morning's meeting.

FLOOD CONTROL PROJECTS

Committee on Public Works: Began hearings on flood-control authorizations for projects on which the Chief of Engineers has submitted favorable reports since the passage of the Flood Control Act of July 24, 1946, not included in the Flood Control Act of June 30, 1948. Maj. Gen. Lewis A. Pick, Chief of Engineers, opened today's meeting with a general statement on the status of National Flood Control Projects. A comprehensive plan for the Savannah River project was the first to be considered. Testifying on this program were Col. H. C. Gee, Corps of Engineers; Representative Brown of Georgia; State Senator Edgar Brown, of South Carolina; Wilson E. Hall, Anderson, S. C.; Hugh Brown, executive secretary, and Butler Hare, chairman, both of the Clark Hill Authority, South Carolina; and Lewis L. Morris, Hartwell, Ga.

Witnesses heard on the project for the Anacostia River and tributaries, District of Columbia and Maryland, were Colonel Gee; Representative Sasscer; T. Howard Duckett, manager, Governors State Board Advisory Committee; Dwight B. Galt, chairman, and Harry B. Shaw, deputy chief engineer, both of the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission; Harry W. McNamee, chairman, Board of County Commissioners, Prince Georges County, Md.; Washington I. Cleveland, manager, D. C. branch, AAA; Mayor John M. Torvestadt, Colmar Manor, Md.; Mayor James L. Russell, Brentwood, Md.; and Thomas W. Settle and Fred W. Tuemmler, both of the National Capital Park and Planning Commission. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

CROP INSURANCE—LOBBYING—FEDERAL BUILDINGS

Committee on Rules: Granted a rule providing for 2 hours' debate on H. R. 3825, to amend the Federal Crop Insurance Act. Representatives Cooley, Hope, and Abbitt spoke in favor of the bill and requested the rule.

The committee ordered H. J. Res. 196, creating a Joint Committee on Lobbying Activities, reported to the House. Representative Buchanan, author of the resolution, and Mr. Chambers of the Department of Justice were heard on this measure.

Also considered, but took no action on, a rule for debate and consideration of H. R. 3662, to provide for planning, site acquisition, and design of Federal building projects. Representatives Whittington and Dondero both testified in favor of a rule. Committee meets again tomorrow morning.

SOCIAL SECURITY

Committee on Ways and Means: Continued consideration of proposed amendments to the Social Security Act. Will resume on this subject tomorrow.

Joint Committee Meetings

ATOMIC ENERGY

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Committee met in executive session with the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

AEC FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Committee heard Chairman Lilienthal of AEC; Dr. Shields Warren, Division of Medicine and Biology, AEC; and Dr. Alfred N. Richards, National Academy of Sciences, in open hearings before the committee on the AEC fellowship program. This was followed by an executive session of the committee. Hearings continue tomorrow.

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HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed Labor-FSA appropriations and began consideration of Agriculture appropriations.

House passed cigarette sales-tax bill and 35 private claim bills.

Agricultural and overtime compensation bills voted reported to Senate.

Bill amending the United Nations Participation Act ordered reported to House.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 6304–6309

Bills Introduced: Three bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 1872 to S. 1874; and S. Con. Res. 41. Page 6305

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. R. 2566, granting congressional consent to States of Montana, North Dakota, and Wyoming to enter a compact for division of waters of the Yellowstone River (S. Rept. 391);

H. R. 3181, to provide for more effective conservation in the arid and semiarid areas of the U. S. (S. Rept. 392);

H. R. 3259, to add lands to Abraham Lincoln National Historical Park, Ky. (S. Rept. 393);

S. 478, private bill (S. Rept. 394);

H. R. 2906, to allow for 1-year extension for disposition of farm labor camps (S. Rept. 395);

S. 1659, to grant congressional consent and approval to Interstate Forest fire protection compact (S. Rept. 396);

H. R. 55, to include certain lands in Carson National Forest, N. Mex. (S. Rept. 397);

H. R. 2812, authorizing sale of certain land to Russian Orthodox Greek Catholic Church of North America (S. Rept. 398);

H. R. 2931, private bill (S. Rept. 399);

H. R. 3396, to amend the law relating to timber operations on the Menominee Indian Reservation in Wisconsin (S. Rept. 400); and

H. R. 1337, to authorize sale of certain public lands in Alaska to the Alaska Council of Boy Scouts of America, with amendments (S. Rept. 401). Page 6305

Bills Referred: Twenty-six House-passed bills were referred to appropriate committees. Pages 6305–6306

General Clay: General Lucius D. Clay addressed the Senate. Page 6313

Reciprocal Trade: The unfinished business, H. R. 1211, extension of reciprocal trade agreements, was temporarily laid aside for final action on H. R. 3333, Labor-FSA appropriations for 1950, and consideration of H. R. 3997, Agriculture Department appropriations for 1950. Pages 6309, 6330

Labor-FSA Appropriations: By voice vote, Senate passed H. R. 3333, Labor-FSA appropriations for 1950, asked for a conference and appointed as conferees Senators Chavez, McCarran, Russell, Ferguson, and Gurney after taking the following action on motions:

By vote of 43 yeas to 41 nays adopted Green motion to reconsider vote by which it had previously recommitted H. R. 3333 (April 28). It then rejected by 41 yeas to 44 nays Ferguson substitute for original Taft motion to recommit the bill, with instructions that a 5-percent cut be made in the appropriations provided in the bill as it stood after adoption of all amendments, including committee amendments. The original Taft motion to recommit the bill with instructions to cut the appropriations by 5 percent was rejected by 41 yeas to 43 nays. Pages 6309–6311, 6313–6330

Agriculture Appropriations: Senate began consideration of H. R. 3997, Agriculture Department appropriations for 1950, taking the following action on amendments:

By voice vote adopted Russell amendment, requiring interest payment on loans made to Agriculture Department by Treasury Department, and Saltonstall amendment, regarding development of inspection, grading, and standards with respect to foreign markets for fish. An amendment by Senator Langer to increase the funds for Rural Electrification Administration by $1,000,000 remained pending at recess. All committee amendments were first agreed to, with the exception of the one providing an increase in funds for flood control, which was temporarily passed over. Pages 6330–6335

Confirmations: The nomination of Robert E. Tehan to be U. S. district judge for eastern district of Wisconsin was confirmed along with two other civilian nominations. Page 6337

Nominations: The following nominations were received: 10 in the National Guard of the U. S. Army, 406 in the Navy, together with the withdrawal of the nomination of Mon C. Wallgren, to be Chairman of National Security Resources Board. Pages 6336–6337

Committee Meetings

LABOR CAMPS, REHABILITATION CORPORATIONS, FOREST FIRE, AND PEANUTS

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: In executive session, the committee voted to report four bills without amendment, as follows: H. R. 2906, to allow for 1-year extension for disposition of farm labor camps; S. 478, private bill; S. 930, to provide for liquidation of trusts under transfer agreements with State rural rehabilitation corporations; and S. 1659, to grant congressional consent and approval to interstate forest fire protection compacts.

Committee held open hearings on H. R. 4081, to amend the AAA of 1938, to permit delivery of excess peanuts to agencies designated by the Secretary of Agriculture, with the following three witnesses testifying in support of the bill: Representative Pace; E. D. David, representing Southwestern Peanut Growers Association, Gorman, Tex.; and W. T. Parker, Peanut Division of the Fats and Oils Branch of the PMA of the Agriculture Department.

INDEPENDENT OFFICES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee continued hearings on H. R. 4177, independent offices appropriations for 1950, receiving testimony from Dr. J. C. Hunsaker, Chairman of the NACA, and assistants, in support of appropriation items for the National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics; from Edmund M. Hanrahan, Chairman of SEC, and assistants, in support of funds for the SEC; and Brig. Gen. Thomas North, secretary to the American Battle Monuments Commission, and assistant, in support of funds for the Commission. Hearings continue tomorrow.

SECOND DEFICIENCY APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Continuing hearings on H. R. 4046, second deficiency appropriations for 1949, subcommittee received testimony from William E. Warne, Assistant Secretary of Interior, testifying on reimbursement of funds to various Interior Department bureaus for operation expenditures in the snow-bound areas; Representative Mansfield and Senator Murray on Indian education in Montana; Representative Curtis and Senator Wherry on item for payment to school districts under Bureau of Reclamation; Goodrich W. Lineweaver and Kenneth W. Markwell, both of Bureau of Reclamation, on reclamation items; and J. Otis Brew, New York, on river-basin studies for the National Park Service. Hearings continue tomorrow.

STATE, JUSTICE, COMMERCE, AND JUDICIARY APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee concluded hearings on H. R. 4016, State, Justice, Commerce, and Judiciary appropriations for 1950, after receiving testimony from S. A. Andretta, administrative assistant to the Attorney General, and E. R. Butts, budget office, on funds for property claims of alien enemies; T. Lamar Caudle, Assistant Attorney General, and two assistants, on funds for Tax Division; A. Dewitt Vanech, Assistant Attorney General, and assistants, on items for Lands Division—all of the Department of Justice. Judges John Biggs, Jr., and Albert B. Maris, both of U. S. Courts of Appeals, Judge Bolitha J. Laws, U. S. District Court for the D. C., and Henry P. Chandler, Elmore Whitehurst, and John C. Brown, all of the Administrative Office of the U. S. Courts, appeared in support of funds for the judiciary branch of the Government.

The following witnesses testified on funds for the CAA and airports: Senators Pepper, Tydings, and O'Conor; Delegate Farrington; Mayor Mills of Hagerstown, Md.; S. L. Stadelman, Philadelphia; and Col. A. B. McMullen, National Association of State Aviation Officials, Washington. J. R. Cavanagh, American Food Distributors, Washington, and G. S. Blome, Baltimore Porcelain Steel Corp., appeared on funds for census statistics; John E. Merkel, Jr., Washington, appeared on State-information program; Representative Miller of Nebraska, and Lyle O'Rourke, Washington attorney, testified on weather station at Scottsbluff, Nebr.; W. J. Houston, American Federation of Government Employees, Washington, was heard on Federal Bureau of Prisons; and Senators Fulbright and Mundt discussed State Department funds.

BATTLE OF BULGE—MILITARY TRIALS

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee met in executive session to discuss certain phases of the continuation of the Malmedy trial hearings.

In open session, the subcommittee received further testimony from Dr. William Perl, chief interrogator at the Malmedy trials, in connection with its hearings on S. Res. 42, to investigate military trials of persons who massacred American soldiers in the Battle of the Bulge. Hearings continue tomorrow.

FOREIGN SHIPMENTS—MARINE INSURANCE

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Continuing hearings on complaints that invoices submitted to the Government in certain foreign ship-

ments financed by U. S. funds were padded or inflated to permit certain freight forwarders to receive cash kickbacks on ocean marine insurance, the Investigations Subcommittee received further background information on this subject from George Inselman, Marine Office of America; Otto Friedjung, insurance broker, and his counsel Manfred Wolkiser; Carmine S. Bellino, CPA and staff member of the subcommittee; and Alfred J. Bohlinger, deputy insurance Commissioner of New York. Hearings continue tomorrow.

NORTH ATLANTIC PACT

Committee on Foreign Relations: Continuing hearings on the North Atlantic Pact, the committee received opposition testimony from the following witnesses: O. John Rogge, attorney, New York; Curtis P. Nettels professor of American history, Cornell University; E. A. Emerson, Middletown Citizens Committee, Ohio; Thomas J. Reardon, representing the U. S. Constitutional Defense Foundation; Stanley Nowak, Michigan State senator; Fyke Farmer, Nashville, Tenn.; Scott Keyes, State College, Pennsylvania; G. Burton Parshall, Friends Social Order Committee, Philadelphia; Rev. J. Paul Cotton, Cleveland; George Hartmann, War Resisters League, New York; Mrs. Robert R. Harrison, Memphis, Tenn.; A. O. Tittman, Kew Gardens, N. Y.; Joseph L. Bradford, Philadelphia; and John Brickajlik, Sellersville, Pa. Hearings continue tomorrow.

VIRGIN ISLANDS CORPORATION

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Subcommittee received testimony generally in support of H. R. 2989, to incorporate the Virgin Islands Corporation, from Norman S. Olson, President, Virgin Islands Corporation; James P. Davis, Director of the Division of Territories and Insular Possessions, Interior Department; and William Ellis, Assistant to the Comptroller General.

AIR-LINE INDUSTRY

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Committee continued hearings in pursuance of S. Res. 50, to authorize study and investigation of the financial condition and operating efficiency of the air-line industry, receiving testimony from Fred V. Gardner, consulting engineer, and Earl Slick, president, Slick Airways. Hearings continue May 19.

NATURAL GAS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee heard the following witnesses testify in support of S. 1498, to amend the Natural Gas Act to exempt independent producers and gatherers of natural gas: Senator Kerr; Ernest O. Thompson, member of Texas Railroad Commission; and Hayden Head, attorney at Corpus Christi, Tex. Hearings continue tomorrow.

OVERTIME COMPENSATION

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: In executive session the committee voted to report favorably to the Senate, with amendments, H. R. 858, to clarify the overtime compensation provisions of the Fair Labor Standards Act as applied in the longshore, stevedoring, building, and construction industries. The amendments approved by the committee would eliminate retroactive claims for overtime on overtime, and make the bill applicable to industry generally, as opposed to the House-passed version which was confined to longshore and construction work.

VETERANS

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Subcommittee held hearings on S. 94, 115, 974, and 1648, veterans preference bills, receiving testimony in support of S. 115, to amend the Veterans Preference Act of 1944 with respect to preference accorded in Federal employment to disabled veterans, from Senator Cain, and John C. Williamson, VFW.

William C. Armbrust, president, United National Association of Post Office Clerks; Roy Messer, National Association of Postal Employees; and Willard L. Manning, president, National Rural Letter Carriers Association, all appeared in support of S. 94, to amend the Veterans Preference Act of 1944 with respect to priority rights of veterans entitled to 10-point preference under such act, as well as S. 115. Charles E. Foster, DAV, and Harry V. Hayden, American Legion, appeared in opposition to S. 115. Three representatives of the Civil Service Commission (M. Elizabeth Lipscomb, Margaret Trickett, and Bruce Stublefield) appeared to give factual information to the subcommittee on the bills.

ALASKAN PUBLIC WORKS

Committee on Public Works: Subcommittee received testimony in favor of S. 855, authorizing a program of useful public works for the development of Alaska, from the following witnesses: Gov. Ernest Gruening of Alaska; James W. Follin, Assistant Federal Works Administrator; Joseph Guandola, Solicitor, FWA; James P. Davis, Director, Division of Territories, Interior Department; Maj. Gen. Grandison Gardner, Chief of Air Force Base, Division Board, National Military Establishment; and Dr. J. C. Haldeman, senior surgeon, Public Health Service, Alaska.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Sixteen public bills, H. R. 4723–4738; ten private bills, H. R. 4739–4748; and five resolutions, H. Con. Res. 61 and 62; H. J. Res. 243 and 244; and H. Res. 220 were introduced. Pages 6371, 6377–6378

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. R. 4708, to amend the United Nations Participation Act of 1945 to improve U. S. participation in activities of the United Nations (H. Rept. 591);

H. J. Res. 208, to amend the joint resolution creating the Niagara Falls Bridge Commission, approved June 16, 1938 (H. Rept. 592); and

H. Res. 220, providing for consideration of, and 1 hour of debate on, H. R. 834, to amend Contract Settlement Act of 1944, relative to payment of fair compensation to persons contracting to deliver strategic and critical minerals and metals who failed to recover reasonable costs (H. Rept. 593). Page 6377

General Clay: Pursuant to a special order agreed to on May 16, the House stood in recess to receive Gen. Lucius D. Clay, who addressed the House. Page 6339

Private Calendar: On the call of the Private Calendar the following actions were voted:

Cleared for the President: S. J. Res. 18, S. 392, 683, 716, and S. 1152 in lieu of H. R. 2759.

Sent to the Senate without amendment: H. R. 656, 1173, 1619, 1620, 3127, 3471, 4106, 4307, 4366, 4373, and 4559.

Sent to the Senate, amended: H. R. 623, 703, 1009, 1042, 1297, 1470, 1496, 1676, 1790, 2349, 2588, 2850, 3138, 3320, 3321, 3616, 3720, 3886, and 4186.

Passed over without prejudice: H. R. 766, 4261, and 4419.

Objected to and recommitted: S. 749 and H. R. 2252. Pages 6340–6346

Government Reorganization: Disagreed to Senate amendments to H. R. 2361, to provide for reorganization of Government agencies, agreed to a conference requested by the Senate, and appointed Representatives Dawson, Holifield, McCormack, Hoffman of Michigan, and Rich conferees on the part of the House. Page 6346

Cigarette Taxes: Passed, by voice vote, H. R. 195, assisting States in collecting sales and use taxes on cigarettes. This bill is designed to prevent avoidance of State sales and use taxes on cigarettes through their shipment directly to consumers in taxing States from sources outside their borders. Adopted a committee amendment deleting language that exempted gifts of a carton of cigarettes from coverage of bill and inserted in lieu language to cover any transfer of cigarettes for profit.

H. Res. 190, the rule for consideration of H. R. 195, was previously adopted. Pages 6346–6347

Crop Insurance: After spending some time in considering H. R. 3825, to amend the Federal Crop Insurance Act, the House postponed further action on the measure until Wednesday. H. Res. 212, the rule for consideration of H. R. 3825, was previously adopted. Pages 6368–6371

D. C. Revenue: Disagreed to Senate amendments to H. R. 3704, the D. C. sales tax and revenue bill, agreed to conference requested by the Senate, and appointed the following conferees: Representatives McMillan of South Carolina, Smith of Virginia, Jones of Missouri, Bates of Massachusetts, and O'Hara of Minnesota. Page 6371

Committee Meetings

AGRICULTURAL BILLS

Committee on Agriculture: Ordered the following bills reported to the House:

S. 715, amending the Agricultural Act of 1948, regarding tobacco price supports:

H. R. 3699, to amend the Federal Farm Loan Act relating to limitations on Federal land bank loans;

H. R. 4263, to combat the citrus black fly and white-fringed beetle;

H. R. 3003, to transfer the Pomona station, California, of the Agriculture Remount Service; and

H. R. 1242, to transfer certain tract of land to Crawford, Nebr.

The committee also considered, but took no action on, H. R. 2392 and 3244, providing for liquidation of the trusts under the transfer agreements with State rural rehabilitation corporations. Testifying on this legislation was Carroll Weathers, of the attorney general's office, North Carolina. Adjourned subject to the call of the Chair.

FEDERAL EMPLOYEES COMPENSATION

Committee on Education and Labor: Kelley subcommittee continued executive consideration of H. R. 3191, to provide compensation for Federal employees who are injured in performance of their duties. Will meet on this bill again tomorrow.

FAIR EMPLOYMENT PRACTICES

Committee on Education and Labor: The Powell subcommittee heard the following witnesses at today's

hearings on fair employment practices legislation: Theodore E. Brown, Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters; Rabbi Ely E. Pilchik, Synagogue Council of America; Dr. W. H. Jernagin, president, Mount Carmel Baptist Church; Martin Quigley, chairman, National Council for a Permanent FEPC; A. F. Whitney, president, Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen; T. B. Robertson, president, Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers and Firemen; H. W. Freser, president, Order of Railway Conductors; Arthur J. Glover, president, Switchmen's Union of North America; and John T. Corbett, grand chief engineer, Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

FEDERAL AID TO EDUCATION

Committee on Education and Labor: The Barden subcommittee opened hearings relative to legislation providing for Federal aid to education. Witnesses appearing today were Dr. John K. Norton, department of educational administration, Teachers College, Columbia University, and Dr. Francis G. Cornell, director, bureau of research and service, College of Education, University of Illinois. Hearings will be resumed tomorrow.

UN PARTICIPATION—BRIDGE COMMISSION

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Ordered the following bills reported to the House:

H. R. 4708, amending the United Nations Participation Act of 1945; and

H. J. Res. 208, amending the joint resolution creating the Niagara Falls Bridge Commission, approved in 1938.

ANTIPOLL TAX

Committee on House Administration: Subcommittee on Elections resumed consideration of anti-poll-tax legislation and heard the views of Representative Hays of Arkansas on the subject. Will continue on this topic tomorrow.

SENATE INVOCATIONS

Committee on House Administration: Subcommittee on Printing approved for reporting to the full committee S. Con. 19, authorizing the printing of the prayers of Rev. Peter Marshall, late chaplain of the U. S. Senate.

RAILROAD COMMUNICATIONS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee on Transportation at the hearings on H. R. 378 and 530, requiring communication systems by railroads for promotion of safety of employees and travelers, received testimony from the following: Representative Price of Illinois, author of H. R. 530; A. E. Lyon, executive secretary, Railway Labor Executive's Association, who presented a statement; T. C. Carroll, president, Brotherhood of Maintenance of Way Employees; Jesse Clark, grand president, Brotherhood of Railroad Signalmen of America; O. H. Braese, president, American Train Dispatchers Association; and John F. Young, vice president, Order of Railroad Telegraphers. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

NATIONAL SECURITY—NATURALIZATION—CLAIMS

Committee on the Judiciary: Ordered the following bills reported to the House:

H. R. 4703, relating to the internal security of the United States (supersedes H. R. 3776);

H. J. Res. 238, to provide the privilege of becoming a naturalized citizen of the U. S. to all immigrants having a legal right to permanent residence;

Twenty-two private claims bills (11 Senate, and 11 House); and

One private claim bill (Senate) was tabled.

GREAT LAKES VESSELS

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Subcommittee on Maritime Affairs met to consider H. R. 2336, to authorize the Maritime Commission to convert certain vessels to types suitable for use on the Great Lakes. The following witnesses testified: Representatives Potter, Blatnik, O'Konski, and Burdick; Robert H. Smith, traffic commissioner, Duluth Chamber of Commerce; Grenville Mellen, vice chairman, and Frank Goertner, general counsel, and Ralph Dickson, all of the U. S. Maritime Commission; Elmer W. Cart, member, North Dakota Public Service Commission; Frank P. Aughnay, director of traffic, Public Service Commission, Bismarck, N. Dak.; E. J. Hanson, Grand Forks, N. Dak.; and Judge Williams, general counsel, South Dakota Public Utilities Commission. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

FEDERAL EMPLOYEES SUSPENSIONS

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: The Davis subcommittee opened hearings on H. R. 3384, amending the act of 1912, regarding suspensions of Federal employees. Testifying on this subject were Joseph Winslow, adviser on personnel management, Bureau of the Budget; James Hard, Director of Personnel, Treasury Department; Admiral Paul B. Nibecker, Chief, Office of Industrial Relations, Navy Department; T. Roy Reid, Director of Personnel, Agriculture Department; Kenneth Vipond, assistant chief examiner, Civil Service Commission; Luther Steward, president, National Federation of Federal Employees. Testimony and prepared statements were also presented by many officials representing Government employee and labor organizations. Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

MINE INCENTIVE PAYMENTS

Committee on Public Lands: Ordered reported to the House H. R. 976, creating a Mine Incentives Division within the Department of the Interior, amended. Also reported S. 835, 836, 837, 1036, 1037, 1038, 1040, 1057, 1058, and 1142, all private patent-in-fee Indian bills.

Considered, but took no final action on, H. R. 3765, rehabilitation of the Sisseton-Wahpeton Tribe of Sioux Indians.

MINING CLAIMS

Committee on Public Lands: The Subcommittee on Mines and Mining continued consideration of H. R. 388, to develop mining claims on lands reserved for power sites. Marion Clawson, Director, Bureau of Land Management, and John Sieker, National Forest Service, spoke on behalf of the bill and presented amendments suggested by their respective Departments.

INDIAN BILLS

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Indian Affairs approved for reporting to the full committee H. R. 2610, to include Midwakanton Sioux Indians of Minnesota under the act of August 1934. Representative Carl Andersen and D'Arcy McNickle, of the Indian Bureau, appeared on this bill, which was amended.

Dr. W. W. Beatty, Bureau of Indian Affairs, testified on H. R. 3476, Navajo-Hopi Tribe rehabilitation bill. No final action was taken on this measure.

FLOOD CONTROL

Committee on Public Works: At today's hearings on flood-control authorizations, the committee considered the following projects and heard the testimony of the listed witnesses: Upper Allegheny River in and around Bradford, Pa., Senators Myers and Martin; Representative Rich; Kenneth Meyer, chairman, Bradford Flood Control Authority; Mayor Hugh J. Ryan, Bradford, Pa.; S. W. Gregg, Kendall Refining Co.; and Martin McIntyre, A. F. of L. Smith Mountain Reservoir, Roanoke River, Va., Representatives Stanley and Burton; B. F. Moomaw, executive director, Roanoke Chamber of Commerce; Verber E. Kemp, executive vice president, Virginia State Chamber of Commerce; and Colonel Scheidenhelm and Graham Clayter, both of the Appalachian Electric Power Co. Ohio River Basin, Charles R. Little, Ohio Valley Flood Control Congress. Lost River at Orleans, Ind., Representative Wilson of Indiana. And Genessee River, N. Y. Col. H. C. Gee, Corps of Engineers, testified on all of the above-mentioned projects. The hearings will be continued tomorrow.

METAL CONTRACTS—ALASKA—RURAL TELEPHONES

Committee on Rules: Granted rule providing for 1 hour of general debate on H. R. 834, to amend Contract Settlement Act of 1944 to provide fair compensation to persons contracting to deliver strategic minerals or metals in case of failure to recover reasonable costs. Testifying on this subject were Representatives Engle of California, Walter, and Michener.

Also considered rule on H. R. 331, Alaska statehood bill, and H. R. 2960, to provide loans for rural telephone service. Speaking on the Alaska statehood bill were Delegate Bartlett, Representatives Peterson and Welch, and Governor Gruening of Alaska. Representative Poage spoke on the rural-telephone bill. These two measures will be considered further tomorrow morning.

COMPENSATION AND PENSIONS

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: At today's meeting, the committee received testimony from Cicero F. Hogan, national director of claims, DAV, and Francis M. Sullivan, national legislative director for the same organization, on H. R. 910, to liberalize the dependency allowance law, and H. R. 906, to provide stenographic assistance for service organizations. Mr. Sullivan also submitted statements on H. R. 896, 901, 909, and 1157, all relating to benefits for service-connected cases. Hearing continued tomorrow with testimony from members of the American Legion on the same subjects.

SOCIAL SECURITY

Committee on Ways and Means: Held executive session on proposed amendments to the Social Security Act. Will continue on same subject tomorrow.

FEDERAL PURCHASING—ANTITRUST LAW—OIL CONTRACTS

Select Committee on Small Business: Authorized introduction of a bill by Chairman Patman requiring all Federal agencies to issue regulations which would assure all small-business concerns a fair and substantial portion of all Government procurement. Reserved for further consideration a proposed measure to raise maximum fine for antitrust violations from $5,000 to $50,000 and permit Government to sue for treble damages, and a proposed bill which would permit independent refineries to modify their contracts to purchase Government royalty oil by eliminating premium payments.

Joint Committee Meetings

AEC FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Dr. Alan Gregg, Chairman of the AEC Advisory Committee on Biology and Medicine, and Dr. Detlev W. Bronk, member of the same committee, and Chairman of the National Research Council, gave their opinions on how the AEC fellowship funds should be administered. Hearings continue tomorrow.

Wednesday, May 18, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate worked on Agriculture appropriations, disposing of various amendments.

House passed bill extending crop-insurance program.

Armed-services pay bill cleared for House debate by Rules Committee.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 6379–6394

Bills Introduced: Fourteen bills were introduced, as follows: S. 1875 to S. 1888. Pages 6382–6383

Bill Reported: A report was made as follows: H. R. 858, to clarify the overtime compensation provisions of the Fair Labor Standards Act as applied in the longshore, stevedoring, building, and construction industries, with amendments (S. Rept. 402). Page 6382

Bills Referred: Thirty-one House-passed bills were referred to appropriate committees. Page 6388

Bills Cleared for President: Senate concurred in House amendments to S. 326, extending time for filing of war claims, and to S. 1152, private bill, clearing the bills for the President. Page 6390

Agriculture Appropriations: Senate continued work on H. R. 3997, Agriculture Department appropriations for 1950, disposing of amendments, as follows:

Committee amendment to increase by $1,025,000 funds for flood control was adopted by voice vote. By unanimous consent, approval of committee amendment increasing funds for school lunches by $12.5 million, was reconsidered; by 14 yeas to 60 nays, Long amendment to increase funds for school lunches by $25 million was then rejected and the original committee amendment was restored to bill. Two Langer amendments, one to increase by $1 million the funds for Rural Electrification Administration, the other to increase by $200 million amount of loans that can be made to Rural Electrification Administration by Secretary of Treasury, were rejected by voice vote. Langer amendment to utilize Rural Electrification Administration to extend telephone facilities to farmers, was ruled out on a point of order. Pending at recess was Ferguson-Bridges amendment, directing Secretary of Agriculture to make such reductions in expenditures as will aggregate at least 5 percent of the total appropriations in the bill. Pages 6394–6406, 6409–6420

Nominations: One civilian and five Army nominations were received. Page 6420

Committee Meetings

INDEPENDENT OFFICES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee continued hearings on H. R. 4177, independent offices appropriations for 1950, receiving testimony from the following Government officials in support of funds for their respective agencies: Edwin L. Davis, Chairman, and assistants, all of the FTC; Edwin G. Nourse, Chairman, and other members of the Council of Economic Advisers; Nelson Lee Smith, Chairman, and other Commissioners and officials of the FPC; and Frank A. Waring, Philippine War Damage Commission. Hearings continue tomorrow.

SECOND DEFICIENCY APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Continuing hearings on H. R. 4046, second deficiency appropriations for 1949, subcommittee heard Willard W. Beatty, Bureau of Indian Affairs, on Indian education; Hillary A. Tolson, Assistant Director, National Park Service, on river basin studies; Frank H. H. Roberts, Jr., Smithsonian Institution, on funds for the Institution; and James P. Davis, Director, Division of Territories and Island Possessions, on item for insane in Alaska and other minor items—all of the Interior Department. Admiral Merrill O'Neill, Acting Commandant, accompanied by others, appeared in behalf of funds for repair of *East Wind*, Coast Guard vessel. Senators McGrath and Smith of Maine, Edward Boykin, and Carter Barron appeared on funds for the National Capital Sesquicentennial Commission.

Under items for the Department of State: Harold C. Herrick, and assistants, appeared on funds for International Boundary and Water Commission, U. S. and Mexico. Gen. R. C. Crawford, Corps of Engineers, and former Senator A. O. Stanley, Chairman of International Joint Commission, together with several others, appeared on items for salaries and expenses for American Section, International Commissions and International Joint Commission. George L. Warren, adviser on refugees and displaced persons, and John Tomlinson, Division of UN Economic and Social Affairs, testified on special contributions by the U. S. to the UN for the relief of Palestine refugees. Hearings continue tomorrow.

BATTLE OF BULGE—MILITARY TRIALS

Committee on Armed Services: Continuing hearings on S. Res. 42, to investigate military trials of persons who massacred American soldiers in the Battle of the Bulge, subcommittee received further testimony from Dr. William Perl, chief interrogator at the Malmedy trials.

FOREIGN SHIPMENTS—MARINE INSURANCE

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Investigations Subcommittee continued hearings on complaints that invoices submitted to the Government in certain foreign shipments financed by U. S. funds were padded or inflated to permit certain freight forwarders to receive cash kickbacks on ocean-marine insurance, receiving testimony from Joseph Fuchs, president, Frank Stern, vice president, Gustav Vogel, secretary, and Harry Carr, treasurer, and his counsel, Julius Kahn, all of the Pan Atlantic Co., with respect to their company's activities and participation in marine insurance on shipments to Poland. Eric L. Kohler, ECA comptroller, appeared before the subcommittee to explain ECA policies relative to loans. Subcommittee adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

NORTH ATLANTIC PACT

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded hearings on the North Atlantic Pact, after receiving testimony from three witnesses in support and seven against the pact, as follows:

In support of: Don Wilson, American Legion; Carl D'Aquino, Brooklyn; and H. Scherbak, New York City;

In opposition to: Rev. Edgar M. Wahlberg, Detroit Peace Council; Nicholas Topping, Milwaukee; Winston McDaniel, Peoples Progressive Party, Madison, Wis.; Alcott L. Tyler, Local 121, Chemical Workers of America, CIO; Miss Mabel Vernon, Peoples Mandate Committee; Miss Grace L. Oswalt, Morocco, Ind.; and Mrs. Agnes Waters, Washington.

John L. Schyleman appeared to discuss the Chinese situation.

NATURAL GAS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Continuing hearings on S. 1498, to amend the Natural Gas Act to exempt independent producers and gatherers of natural gas, the subcommittee received additional testimony in support of the bill from O. C. Bailey, representing the Interstate Oil Compact Commission, El Dorado, Ark., Jeff Robertson, official of the State Corporation Commission of Kansas, representing Governor Carlson of Kansas; Maj. B. A. Hardey, independent operator, Shreveport, La.; R. G. Lawton, vice president, McAllister Fuels Co., Magnolia, Ark.; and Colin Rae, representing the Skelly Oil Co., Tulsa, Okla. Subcommittee adjourned until May 24.

ANTI-POLL TAX

Committee on the Judiciary: Senator Holland appeared before the subcommittee to testify in support of his bill S. J. Res. 34, to amend the Constitution so that the right to vote for President, Vice President, Senators, or Representatives in Congress shall not be denied for failure of paying poll tax or other tax or for not meeting property qualifications.

UN-AMERICAN ACTIVITIES

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee held hearings on S. 1194 and S. 1196, to protect the U. S. against un-American and subversive activities, receiving testimony from James Green, American Legion, and Rabbi Schultz, American Jewish League Against Communism, in support of the legislation. Clifford J. Durr, National Lawyers Guild, testified in opposition to the bills. Hearings continue tomorrow.

NATIONAL HEALTH LEGISLATION

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee met in executive session to discuss procedure for conducting hearings on national health legislation, which is scheduled to begin on May 23.

COAL MINERS

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee opened hearings on S. 1031, to give the Bureau of Mines power to have coal miners withdrawn from mines or sections of mines where imminent or immediate danger exists, with J. J. Forbes, Health and Safety Division, Bureau of Mines, and C. F. Davis, Safety Division, UMWA, proponent witnesses, expressing their views on the legislation. Hearings continue tomorrow.

GOVERNMENT PAY BILLS

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Subcommittee held further hearings on general pay increase bills for Government employees, receiving testimony from the following witnesses in support of various bills providing pay increases for Government employees, particularly those for postal employees: E. H. Cantwell, Clerks Local, Shreveport; D. W. Rayburn, Letter Carriers Local, Shreveport; John Fullington, Lake Charles, La.; Mr. Andrews, representing Clerks of New Orleans; James E. Kelly, Clerks and Carriers Local; H. H. Howell, National Association of Clerks, Baton Rouge, La.; Willard L. Manning, National Rural Letter Carriers Association; Roy Eledan, international vice president, UPW of America; Al Bachmann and Estelle Green, American Federation of Government

Employees; N. P. Alifas, president, International Association of Machinists; J. V. Horton, National Association of Postal Supervisors; Harold McAvoy, president, National Federation of Federal Mail Handlers; and Sam Finkelstein, president, Local 20, UPW, CIO, N. Y. Hearings continue Friday.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Twenty-six public bills, H. R. 4749-4774; seven private bills, H. R. 4775-4781; and fifteen resolutions, H. J. Res. 245-259, were introduced.

Pages 6437–6438

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

Sixteen private bills, H. R. 1499, S. 41, 42, 146, 147, 165, 189, 191, 408, 782 948, H. R. 4094, 559, 605, 701, and 1132 (H. Repts. 594-609, respectively);

S. 30, to provide for settlement of personal property claims of persons employed in Federal penal and correctional institutions (H. Rept. 610);

Consideration of H. R. 1036 over veto message (H. Rept. 611);

H. Con. Res. 62, to create a Joint Committee on Lobbying Activities (H. Rept. 612);

Five private bills, S. 835, 836, 837, 1036, and 1037 (H. Repts. 613-617, respectively);

S. 1181, to authorize appointment of officers on the active list of the Philippine Scouts in the Regular Army (H. Rept. 618);

S. 1219, to remove certain restrictions imposed on a tract of land conveyed to city of Charleston, S. C. (H. Rept. 619);

S. 1270, relative to the percentage, in time of peace, of enlisted personnel employed in aviation tactical units of Navy, Marine Corps, and Air Corps (amended) (H. Rept. 620);

H. R. 263, to grant perpetual easements for maintaining and operating a public highway and a water pipe line in vicinity of naval air base at Santa Ana, Calif. (H. Rept. 621);

H. R. 2418, authorizing restocking, propagation, and conservation of game in Eglin Field Reservation (amended) (H. Rept. 622);

H. R. 3155, to amend Public Law 885 (80th Cong.) (H. Rept. 623);

H. R. 4007, to increase limitation of cost of construction of two experimental submarine vessels (H. Rept. 624);

H. R. 4384, to provide for appointment of female doctors and specialists in Medical Department of the Army (H. Rept. 625);

S. 779, relating to the pay and allowances of officers of the Naval Establishment appointed to permanent grades (H. Rept. 626); and

Inquiry into certain operations of the Federal Prison Industries, Inc., based on GAO audits (H. Rept. 627).

Pages 6436–6437

Pecos River Compact: Passed H. R. 3334, to grant the consent of the United States to the compact between Texas and New Mexico providing for division of waters of the Pecos River. Pages 6421–6423

Crop Insurance: Passed, by voice vote, H. R. 3825, to amend the Federal Crop Insurance Act. This bill provides for the wiping out of the accrued losses, up to date, of the Corporation and extends the program on an experimental and somewhat broader basis. Adopted numerous committee amendments. Pages 6425–6426

Treasury-Post Office Appropriation: Disagreed to Senate amendments to H. R. 3083, the Treasury and Post Office Departments appropriation bill for 1950, agreed to conference requested by Senate, and appointed Representatives Gary, Fernandez, Passman, Cannon, Canfield, and Coudert conferees on the part of the House. Page 6426

Veto: Overrode, 318 yeas to 48 nays, the President's veto of H. R. 1036, to pay $8,437.98 to R. C. Owen, R. C. Owen, Jr., and Roy Owen of Gallatin, Tenn., which sum represents the amount they paid to the U. S. for internal-revenue tobacco stamps which were completely destroyed by fire. Pages 6426–6430

Lobbying Activities: Passed, by voice vote, H. Con. Res. 62, to create a Joint Committee To Investigate Lobbying Activities. This committee would consist of seven Senators, appointed by the President of the Senate, and seven Representatives, appointed by the Speaker, with the chairman to be selected from the members of the committee. Pages 6430–6436

Government Reorganization: Representative Lovre was appointed a conferee, in lieu of Representative Rich, on H. R. 2361, to provide for reorganization of Government agencies. Page 6430

Committee Meetings

LAND RECLAMATION

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee No. 3 discussed briefly H. R. 915, authorizing the Secretary of Agriculture to investigate projects for reclaiming lands by drainage. Will meet to consider this measure at a later date to allow time for further study of the proposed program.

FARM PROGRAM

Committee on Agriculture: The Pace Special Subcommittee on Price Supports and the National Farm Program heard the following witnesses at today's meeting: J. Perrin Willis, Perrin, Tex.; Representative Barrett of Wyoming; Harry Bonchoe, representing Ohio Association of Elected AAA Committee; Homer Ayres, farm relations director, United Farm Equipment and Metal Workers of America, CIO; Lyle Cooper, research director, United Packinghouse Workers of America, CIO; Dr. H. M. Griffith, vice president, National Economic Council, New York City; Charles Jones, Mitchell, S. Dak.; H. R. Justice, lumber, general merchandise, and cotton buyer, Calcis, Ala.; Leslie S. Hubbard, National Poultry Producers Federation, Lancaster, Pa.; Noel Shaver, president, International Baby Chick Association; Crawfordsville, Ind.; Leon Todd, general manager, Northeastern Poultry Producers Council; Warren D. Johnson; William Gertz, National Turkey Federation, Portland, Oreg.; Warren D. Johnson, National Turkey Association, Nottingham, Pa.; Malcolm Ronald, the Daily Republic, Mitchell, S. Dak.; and Benjamin Marsh, executive secretary, the People's Lobby, Inc., Washington, D. C. Statements were filed by John G. Wright, Boston Wool Trade Association; Thomas Heitz, Southeastern Egg and Poultry Association; C. B. Heinemann, president, National Independent Meat Packers Association, Washington, D. C., and Charles E. Jackson, general manager, National Fisheries Institute, Inc., Washington, D. C. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

MILITARY-NAVAL BILLS

Committee on Armed Services: Ordered 10 bills to be reported to the House, as follows: H. R. 2417, to authorize the Secretary of the Air Force to improve recreation facilities at Eglin Field, Fla. S. 1181, S. 1219, S. 1270, H. R. 263, H. R. 2418, H. R. 3155, H. R. 4007, H. R. 4384, and S. 779 (H. Repts. 618-627, inc.) are listed under Bills Reported in the House Chamber Action in today's Digest.

AID TO EDUCATION

Committee on Education and Labor: Barden subcommittee continued hearings on Federal aid to education legislation with testimony being received from J. Donald Kingsley, Assistant Federal Security Administrator; Earl J. McGrath, U. S. Commissioner of Education; and Edgar Morphat, Specialist for School Finance, United States Office of Education. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

FAIR EMPLOYMENT PRACTICES

Committee on Education and Labor: The Powell subcommittee holding hearings on H. R. 4453, Federal Fair Employment Practices Act, heard testimony from Senator Douglas; Commissioners E. W. Edwards and Nicholas H. Pinto, and Henry Spitz, general counsel, all of the New York State Commission Against Discrimination; Elwood S. McKenney, commissioner, Massachusetts Fair Employment Practices Commission; Edward N. Allen, chairman, Connecticut Interracial Commission, who submitted a statement; Eugene Calhoun, Smelter Workers of America, CIO; W. D. Johnson, vice president, Order of Railway Conductors; Arthur J. Glover, president, Switchmen's Union of North America; and John T. Corbett, assistant grand chief engineer, Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

FEDERAL EMPLOYEES' COMPENSATION

Committee on Education and Labor: The Kelley subcommittee approved for reporting to the full committee H. R. 3191, providing compensation for Federal employees suffering injuries in the performance of their duties.

FEDERAL PRISON INDUSTRIES

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Approved the report of the Subcommittee on Government Operations on inquiry into certain operations of the Federal Prison Industries, Inc., based on GAO audits. Also authorized the printing of the hearings on this study.

YUGOSLAV CLAIMS

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Opened hearings on H. R. 4406, setting up a commission within the State Department to have jurisdiction over claims under the Yugoslav Claims Act of 1948. Jack Tate, Benedict English, and Samuel Herman, all of the State Department, testified today. Will resume on this bill at an executive meeting on Friday.

ANTI-POLL TAX

Committee on House Administration: The Subcommittee on Elections heard the testimony of George Washington Williams at today's hearings on anti-poll-tax legislation. Hearings will be continued on Monday.

RAILROAD TRAVEL SAFETY

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee on Transportation continued hearings on H. R. 378 and 530, requiring communication systems by railroads for promotion of safety of employees and travelers. Speaking on behalf of the legislation were Jonas A. McBride, vice president and national legislative representative, Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Enginemen; W. D. Johnson, vice president and national legislative representative, Order of Railway Conductors; Harry See, national legislative representative, Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen; and John T. Corbett, assistant grand chief engineer, Brotherhood

of Locomotive Engineers. Speaking in opposition to the subject were J. M. Souby, Association of American Railroads; J. M. Hood, president, American Shortline Railroad Association; Carter Fort, vice president and general counsel, and Graham Getty, statistician of Bureau of Railway Economics, both of the Association of American Railroads; and J. J. Brinkworth, vice president, New York Central System, Chicago, Ill. The three previously mentioned associations are located in Washington, D. C.

RESTRAINTS AND MONOPOLIES—CLAIMS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 3 heard the following witnesses testify in support of the bills to amend sections 7 and 11 of the Clayton Act: Representative Celler, chairman of the Judiciary Committee; William T. Kelley, general counsel, Federal Trade Commission; Senator Kefauver; Herbert A. Bergson, Chief, Antitrust Division, Department of Justice; Dr. John D. Clark, member, Council of Economic Advisers; and Dr. John Blair, Assistant Chief Economist, Federal Trade Commission. Speaking in opposition to the legislation was Gilbert Montague, of New York City.

In an executive session the subcommittee agreed to report favorably to the full committee 14 private claims bills; 1 will be reported adversely.

GREAT LAKES VESSELS

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: The Subcommittee on Maritime Affairs continued hearings on H. R. 2336, authorizing the Maritime Commission to convert certain vessels to types suitable for use on the Great Lakes. Today's witnesses were Henry A. Archambo, acting director of traffic, Minneapolis Traffic Association; Charles A. Liggett, traffic director, St. Paul Association of Commerce; Representative Rabaut; Representative Wier, who submitted a prepared statement; Mark McKee, executive vice president, Wisconsin-Michigan Steamship Co.; Robert Prevost, Detroit-Cleveland Navigation Co.; and Dudley J. Russell, president, Duluth Universal Milling Co. Will continue hearings on this bill tomorrow.

ALASKA RAILROAD EMPLOYEES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: The Peterson subcommittee approved for reporting to the full committee H. R. 3445, to extend benefits of the Civil Service Retirement Act to employees of the Alaska Railroad, and repeal the Alaska Railroad Retirement Act.

VERMEJO PROJECT

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation opened hearings on H. R. 3788, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to construct, operate, and maintain the Vermejo reclamation project in New Mexico. Representative Miles, author of the bill, made a statement regarding the objectives of the measure. Testifying in favor of the project were Representative Fernandez; Robert T. Lingle, superintendent, Chester Carzine, board member, and Charles A. Atchley, president, all of the Maxwell Irrigation Co., Maxwell, N. Mex.; John Bliss, New Mexico State engineer; and Wesley R. Nelson, Assistant Commissioner, Bureau of Reclamation. John L. Mutz, area planning engineer, Bureau of Reclamation, Albuquerque, N. Mex., discussed the engineering aspects of the proposed project.

ALASKA HOMESTEADS

Committee on Public Lands: The Special Subcommittee on Public Lands resumed consideration of H. R. 4424, homesteading in Alaska by veterans. Thomas H. McDonald, Commissioner of Public Roads, spoke on how the lack of roads has retarded the development of Alaska. Howard Hughes, Forest Service, answered questions propounded by the members. Adjourned subject to the call of the Chair.

NAVAJO-HOPI REHABILITATION

Committee on Public Lands: The Subcommittee on Indian Affairs approved for reporting to the full committee H. R. 3476, rehabilitation program for the Navajo and Hopi Tribes of Indians. Witnesses heard on this bill were Theodore H. Haas, Chief Counsel, Indian Bureau, and Dr. John R. Nichols, Commissioner, Indian Affairs. Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

FLOOD-CONTROL AUTHORIZATIONS

Committee on Public Works: Continued study of flood-control authorizations with Col. H. C. Gee, Corps of Engineers, and William E. Warne, Assistant Secretary of the Interior, speaking on a comprehensive plan for the Missouri River Basin. Col. W. E. Potter, assistant engineer in charge of public works, Corps of Engineers, discussed the project for Kansas River, Colo., Nebr., and Kans. Testifying in favor of this Kansas River project were Representative Scrivner; W. J. Breidenthal, chairman, Flood Protection Planning Committee for Greater Kansas City; Ray W. Wilson, assistant city manager, Kansas City; E. I. Meyers, Missouri River Flood Control Association; Mayor Carl H. Deppish, Junction City, Kans.; John F. Fernston, North Topeka Merchants Association; James S. Lester, county attorney, Jefferson County Drainage District; E. R. Zook, secretary, Lawrence Chamber of Commerce; Emil Heck, president, board of commissioners, Douglas County, Kans.; and Major Hages, superintendent of water, Lawrence, Kans. Speaking in opposition were Representative Cole of Kansas; William H. Avery, Lower Republican Valley Development Association; William Beall, attorney, Clay Center, Kans.; Claude Brey, Delaware River Basin Citizens Association; Raymond Wagner, representing Delaware River Basin; and J. T. Saunders, legislative counsel, National Grange.

Other projects considered, and listed witnesses thereon, were: Elkhorn River, Colonel Gee and Representative Stefan; Yellowstone River and tributaries, Wyoming, Montana, and North Dakota, Colonel Gee and Representative D'Ewart; and South Platte River and tributaries, Colorado, Wyoming, and Nebraska, Colonel Gee. Hearings will be continued on other authorizations tomorrow.

PAY BILL—FOREIGN CLAIMS—STUDIES AND INVESTIGATIONS

Committee on Rules: Granted rule providing for 3 hours' general debate on H. R. 4591, armed services pay bill. Representatives Kilday and Short both favored a rule.

Also granted a rule providing for 1 hour's general debate on S. 937, authorizing the Secretary of the Treasury to effect the payment of certain noncitizen claims against the United States. Representatives Kee and Fulton spoke on behalf of this legislation. These two Members also testified in favor of H. Res. 206, authorizing the Committee on Foreign Affairs to make jurisdictional studies and investigations. This resolution was ordered reported to the House, along with H. Con. Res. 62, which now supersedes H. J. Res. 196, creating a Joint Committee on Lobbying Activities. The committee will meet tomorrow at 11 a. m.

COMPENSATION AND PENSIONS

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Gen. John Thomas Taylor, national legislative representative, American Legion, and T. O. Kraabel, Legion director, National Rehabilitation Committee, both spoke on H. R. 903, 20-percent increase of compensation and pension rates, and H. R. 900, to provide increase of compensation for veterans with dependents. Written statements were filed on H. R. 896, World War I presumptive cases; H. R. 901, minimum ratings for arrested tuberculosis; and H. R. 906, to provide stenographic assistance to service organizations. Will meet again tomorrow at 10:30 a. m.

SOCIAL SECURITY

Committee on Ways and Means: Continued consideration of proposed amendments to the Social Security Act, and will meet again tomorrow on the same subject.

Joint Committee Meetings

AEC FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Hans Friestadt, student at the University of North Carolina, appeared before the committee to defend the award of a fellowship to himself after claiming to be a Communist.

NOMINATIONS OF COMMISSIONERS

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: The Senate section of the joint committee heard Henry DeWolf Smythe and Gordon E. Dean testify in support of their respective nominations to be members of the AEC.

CCC CHARTER

Conferees on S. 900, to amend comprehensively the CCC charter, met in both morning and afternoon executive sessions, but failed to reach agreement over the differences between the House- and Senate-passed versions of the bill. Will meet again tomorrow.

Thursday, May 19, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

Both Houses heard President Dutra in joint session.

Senate passed Agriculture appropriations bill.

Senate groups approved military housing, agricultural, and National Monetary Commission bills, and reported 555 Army and Navy nominations.

Secretary of State Acheson met with two Senate committees.

Hearings on national farm program concluded by House group.

Conferees filed report on CCC charter.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 6438–6445

Bills Introduced: Ten bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1889 to S. 1898; and S. J. Res. 93 and 94. **Pages 6444–6445**

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 930, to provide for liquidation of trusts under transfer agreements with State rural rehabilitation corporations (S. Rept. 403);

H. R. 1754, to provide for the suspension of annual assessment work on mining claims held by location in the U. S., with amendments (S. Rept. 404).

H. R. 3754, providing for temporary deferment in certain unavoidable contingencies of annual assessment work on mining claims held by location in the U. S., with amendments (S. Rept. 405);

S. 1464, to amend the marketing agreements and orders provisions of the AAA, to include processed citrus fruits, almonds, and filberts (S. Rept. 406);

S. 1760, authorizing the Secretary of Agriculture to cooperate with State and Territorial authorities in the administration of regulations for the improvement of poultry, poultry products, and hatcheries, with amendment (S. Rept. 407);

S. 1749, authorizing Agriculture Department to carry out operations to combat the citrus blackfly, white-fringed beetle, and the Hall scale, with amendments (S. Rept. 408); and

S. 1535, to amend Housing and Rent Act of 1947 with respect to definition of housing accommodations in hotels (no written report). Pages 6440, 6444

Bills Referred: Two House-passed bills and one resolution were referred to appropriate committees. Page 6445

Joint Session: Senate met in joint session with House to hear President Dutra of Brazil. Pages 6471–6472

Agriculture Appropriations: Senate passed by voice vote H. R. 3997, Agriculture appropriations for 1950, after disposing of motions and amendment as follows:

A point of order was made and sustained against Ferguson-Bridges amendment requiring Secretary of Agriculture to reduce expenditures of appropriations by 5 percent. Senator Ferguson then moved to suspend the rules and pass this amendment, which was rejected by 32 yeas to 52 nays. Ferguson motion to recommit the bill with instructions to reduce appropriations therein in an aggregate of 5 percent was rejected 32 yeas to 50 nays.

Senate asked for a conference and appointed as conferees Senators Russell, Hayden, O'Mahoney, McCarran, Thomas of Oklahoma, Reed, Gurney, and Ferguson. Pages 6445–6467

Memorial Day: S. J. Res. 61, providing for designation by President of Memorial Day 1949 as national day of prayer for peace, was passed. Pages 6467–6468

Housing in Hotels: Passed S. 1535, to amend Housing and Rent Act of 1947 with respect to definition of housing accommodations in hotels. Page 6444

Civil Functions Appropriations: Senate again temporarily laid aside H. R. 1211, extension of reciprocal trade agreements, and took up H. R. 3734, civil functions appropriations for 1950, adopting all committee amendments. Pages 6468–6469

Confirmations: Numerous routine armed service nominations were confirmed, in addition to those of Francis P. Matthews, of Nebraska, to be Secretary of Navy; Dan A. Kimball, of California, to be Under Secretary of Navy; Gordon Gray, of North Carolina, to be Under Secretary of Army; and Gen. Lucius D. Clay to be placed on retired list in grade of general. Pages 6470–6471

Nomination: One civilian nomination was received. Page 6470

Committee Meetings

MARKETING AGREEMENTS, CITRUS FLY, AND POULTRY

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Committee voted to report the following three bills: S 1464, to amend the marketing agreements and orders provisions of the AAA, to include processed citrus fruits, almonds, and filberts; S. 1749, authorizing Agriculture Department to carry out operations to combat the citrus blackfly, white-fringed beetle, and the Hall scale, with amendments; and S. 1760, authorizing the Secretary of Agriculture to cooperate with State and Territorial authorities in the administration of regulations for the improvement of poultry, poultry products, and hatcheries, with amendment.

STATE DEPARTMENT—FOREIGN AFFAIRS

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Bills Referred: Two House-passed bills and one resolution were referred to appropriate committees.

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Joint Session: Senate met in joint session with House to hear President Dutra of Brazil. Pages 6471–6472

Agriculture Appropriations: Senate passed by voice vote H. R. 3997, Agriculture appropriations for 1950, after disposing of motions and amendment as follows:

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Memorial Day: S. J. Res. 61, providing for designation by President of Memorial Day 1949 as national day of prayer for peace, was passed. Pages 6467–6468

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Senator Myers appeared in support of the nomination.

Subcommittee adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

MINIMUM WAGE—FAIR LABOR STANDARDS

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee on Fair Labor Standards held its first executive meeting (following its open hearings on the subject) on S. 653 and related bills, to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938, extending its scope and increasing the minimum wage to 75 cents per hour, to prepare the proposed legislation for reporting to the Senate. Subcommittee adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

COAL MINERS

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee continued hearings on S. 1031, to give the Bureau of Mines power to have coal miners withdrawn from mines or sections of mines where imminent or immediate danger exists, receiving testimony from the following proponent witnesses: C. F. Davis, safety division, UMWA, and Forrest T. Moyer, Bureau of Mines. Subcommittee adjourned until May 24.

CLASSIFIED CIVIL SERVICE EMPLOYEES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Subcommittee heard the following witnesses testify generally in support of S. 660, to preserve the equities of permanent classified civil-service employees of the U. S.: Representative Klein; Thomas F. Curry, National Association of Federal Career Employees; representatives of amputees; Frank Reagan, Columbia Lodge 174, International Association of Machinists; Charles Villar and Ray Gambill, Federal Employees Citizens Association of West Florida; Israel N. Stillman, New York Chapter Federal Career Employees Association; Frank Haley, Military Order Purple Heart, Washington; Luther C. Steward, National Federation of Federal Employees; Willard L. Manning, National Rural Letter Carriers Association; Ross A. Messer, National Association of Postal Maintenance Employees; E. C. Hallback, National Federation of Post Office Clerks; J. V. Horton, National Association of Postal Supervisors; William C. Armbrust, United National Association of Post Office Clerks; N. P. Alifas, International Association of Machinists; Miss Amy Steinmetz, employee, Veterans' Administration; C. L. Pace, War Veterans in Federal Employment; John A. Overholt, Efficiency Rating Unit, Classification Division, Civil Service Commission; and Frank G. Bryant, East Coast Metal Trades Council of Washington Navy Yard.

The following witnesses appeared in opposition to the bill: Harry V. Hayden, American Legion; Charles W. Foster, DAV; and John C. Williamson, VFW.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Seven public bills, H. R. 4782–4788; seven private bills, H. R. 4789–4795; and eight resolutions, H. J. Res. 260–262, and H. Res. 221–225, were introduced. Pages 6473–6474, 6489–6490

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. Res. 221, providing for consideration of, and 1 hour of debate on, S. 937, to authorize the Secretary of the Treasury to effect the payment of certain claims against the United States (H. Rept. 628);

H. Res. 206, authorizing the Committee on Foreign Affairs to conduct studies and investigations of all matters coming within the jurisdiction of such committee (H. Rept. 629);

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H. Res. 223, providing for consideration of, and 3 hours of debate on H. R. 4591, to provide pay and physical disability retirement for members of the uniformed services (Career Compensation Act of 1949) (H. Rept. 631);

H. R. 1242, authorizing transfer of a tract of land in the Robinson Remount Station to the city of Crawford, Nebr. (H. Rept. 632);

H. R. 2417, to improve recreational facilities at Eglin Field, Fla. (H. Rept. 633);

H. J. Res. 238, to provide the privilege of becoming a naturalized citizen of the United States to all immigrants having a legal right to permanent residence (H. Rept. 634); and

Eight private bills, S. 1038, 1040, 1057, 1058, 1142, H. R. 1054, 1603, and 1604 (H. Repts. 635–642, respectively). Pages 6489–6490

Joint Session: Pursuant to H. Con. Res. 59, the House and Senate met in joint session and heard an address by Eurico Gaspar Dutra, President of the United States of Brazil. Pages 6471–6472

Uniformed Services Pay Bill: Adopted H. Res. 223, providing for consideration of and 3 hours of debate on H. R. 4591, to provide pay and physical disability retirement for members of the uniformed services, then postponed consideration of H. R. 4591 until Friday. Pages 6474, 6475–6482

Committee Meetings

FARM PROGRAM

Committee on Agriculture: The Pace subcommittee concluded its extensive hearings on the proposed general farm program. Today's witnesses were Representative LeCompte who presented the views of the Iowa Farm Bureau on corn production; Representative Cotton, who submitted statements from the agriculture commissioners of the New England States, and also from the New England Council relative to the price support program; Representative Jensen, who made a statement relative to the importance of a soil-conservation program; and Representative Christopher, who emphasized soil conservation but opposed a sliding scale of parity. He also urged a program to maintain agricultural buying power linked with soil conservation. Carl H. Wilken, Raw Materials National Council, Sioux Falls, Iowa, presented his views on a workable farm program, accompanied by tables of record, which would mean prosperity for all segments of our economy.

The committee will now work out details of legislation.

AERONAUTICS STUDY

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee No. 1 ordered reported to the full committee H. R. 3946, to authorize professional personnel of the National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics to attend accredited graduate schools for research and study. Tabled H. R. 4383, to authorize former Army personnel to accept certain gifts and decorations of foreign governments. Considered, and carried over, H. R. 321, providing a single catalog system for the National Military Establishment. Will meet on other bills tomorrow.

AID TO EDUCATION

Committee on Education and Labor: The Barden subcommittee considering the subject of Federal aid to education heard the testimony of Representative Perkins; Claude T. Farley, superintendent of schools, Pikeville, Ky.; Mrs. Marie Turner, superintendent of schools, Jackson, Ky.; Boswell Hodgkin, State superintendent of public instruction, Frankfort, Ky.; and John W. Brooker, executive secretary, Kentucky Education Association, Louisville, Ky. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

FAIR EMPLOYMENT PRACTICES

Committee on Education and Labor: The Powell subcommittee continued hearings on H. R. 4453, to prohibit discrimination in employment because of race, creed, color, religion, or national origin. Testifying on this bill were Lewis G. Hines, legislative committee, AFL; Clarence Mitchell, labor secretary, NAACP; a representative of the American Civil Liberties Union, who submitted a statement; Irving Kane, chairman, National Community Relations Advisory Council; Willard S. Townsend, secretary, National CIO To Abolish Discrimination in Employment, accompanied by George L. P. Weaver; Representative Hays of Arkansas; Edward H. Foley, Jr., Assistant Secretary of the Treasury; and Alvin W. Hall, Director, Bureau of Engraving and Printing. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: The Subcommittee on Public Health, Science, and Commerce met in executive session on National Science Foundation bills. Will resume on this legislation next Monday.

ECA CARGO

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: The Special Watchdog Committee on the Carriage of Cargo Under the ECA Program, in an executive meeting heard the testimony of Col. Arthur G. Syran, Director, Transportation Division, ECA. Adjourned subject to the call of the Chair.

CIVIL-SERVICE REGULATIONS

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: The following bills were reported to the House:

H. R. 2020, to enable certain former officers and employees of the United States separated from the

service subsequent to January 23, 1942, to elect to forfeit their rights to civil-service retirement annuities and to obtain in lieu thereof returns of their contributions with interest;

H. R. 3338, to amend civil-service retirement to grant credit for service for which, through inadvertence, no deductions from salary are made;

H. R. 3756, to amend Civil Service Retirement Act to provide that annuities of certain employees engaged in enforcement of criminal laws should be computed on basis of average basic salaries for any five consecutive years of allowable service;

H. R. 3826, to regulate and improve the civil service of the United States, regarding employment apportionment; and

H. R. 2619, to extend the benefits of the annual and sick-leave laws to part-time employees on regular tours of duty and to validate payments heretofore made for leave on account of services of such employees.

FLOOD-CONTROL AUTHORIZATIONS

Committee on Public Works: Continued study of flood-control authorizations and considered middle Rio Grande, N. Mex., project, hearing Col. H. C. Gee, Corps of Engineers; Representative Fernandez; R. L. Harrison, vice president, Middle Rio Grande Flood Control Association; Wesley R. Nelson, Assistant Commissioner, Bureau of Reclamation; Hubert T. Ball, chief engineer, Middle Rio Grande Conservancy District; John Bliss, State engineer; A. L. Wathem, Chief Engineer, Indian Service; H. O. Bursum, mayor of Socorro, N. Mex.; H. Apodaca, mayor of Bernalillo, N. Mex.; and Lawrence H. Bayer, Atomic Energy Commission.

On the Arkansas River comprehensive plan, the committee again heard Colonel Gee on this project. Speaking in opposition to the plan were James Hayden, rancher, Mannford, Okla.; and Jo Ferguson, newspaperman, Pawnee, Okla. Testifying in favor were N. R. Graham, Oklahoma Planning and Resources Board; T. Elmer Harton, Muskogee; Glenn Cook, Cleveland; Carl Newport, Hominy Chamber of Commerce; H. C. Jones, Sand Springs; and Russell Rhodes, Tulsa Chamber of Commerce, all of Oklahoma.

Grand (Neosho) River, Kans., Mo., and Ark., was next considered with testimony being furnished on this project by Colonel Gee and Representative Rees. Speaking on behalf of this project were Representatives Meyer and Scrivner; John Redmond, president, Neosho Cottonwood Flood Control Association; Randolph Carpenter, former Member of Congress from Kansas; E. T. Jacobs; Walter H. Chappell, Chanute; W. L. Young, mayor, Council Grove; and Gordon Barker, Chanute. Speaking in opposition were M. F. Cosgrove, attorney, Topeka; Henry White, farmer, Council Grove, Kans.; Rev. A. E. Funk, farmer, Marion, Kans.; Mrs. J. C. McKinney, Hartford, Kans.; and W. E. Stanley, Wichita, attorney.

DP's—UNITED NATIONS—PAY INCREASES

Committee on Rules: Granted a rule providing for 2 hours debate on H. R. 4567, amending the Displaced Persons Act of 1948. Representatives Celler and Walter spoke on behalf of this measure. The committee also considered, but took no action on, rules for H. R. 2785, United Nations international children's emergency fund; H. R. 1689, salary increases for heads and assistant heads of government agencies; and H. R. 4708, relative to a United Nations deputy representative. The committee will meet again tomorrow morning.

COMPENSATIONS AND PENSIONS

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Continued hearings on H. R. 901, to provide minimum ratings for arrested tuberculosis cases and heard testimony from Charles W. Stevens and Dr. H. D. Shapiro, of the American Legion. The committee resumes hearings on this and other service-connected compensation bills at 10:30 a. m., May 24.

SOCIAL SECURITY

Committee on Ways and Means: Continued consideration of proposed amendments to the Social Security Act, and will meet again tomorrow on the same subject.

Joint Committee Meetings

REORGANIZATION

Conferees on H. R. 2361, Reorganization Act of 1949, held their first meeting for preliminary discussion of the differences between the House- and Senate-passed version of the bill, but reached no agreements. The conferees meet again May 24.

CCC CHARTER

Conferees on S. 900, to amend comprehensively the CCC charter, agreed to file a conference report on the bill. As agreed upon, the Senate conferees receded from the Senate version of the bill and accepted the House version with amendments.

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HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed Army civil-functions appropriations.
House debated uniformed services pay-raise bill.
Senate Public Works Committee announced hearings on Columbia River Valley development bills, and reported two minor bills.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 6490–6545

Bills Introduced: Fifteen bills were introduced, as follows: S. 1899 to S. 1913. Page 6493

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 1309, to grant the consent of Congress to compact between New Mexico and Texas to waters of Pecos River (S. Rept. 409);

S. 1184, to encourage construction of rental housing at or in areas adjacent to military and naval installations, with amendments (S. Rept. 410);

S. 1324, providing for modification of flood-control project on Heart River at Mandan, N. Dak. (S. Rept. 411);

S. 1577, to revive and reenact the act creating the City of Clinton Bridge Commission, operating bridge over Mississippi between Clinton, Iowa, and Fulton, Ill. (S. Rept. 412); and

H. R. 3334, compact between New Mexico and Texas as to waters of Pecos River (no written report). Page 6492

VA Appropriations: Communication was received from the President transmitting revised estimates of appropriation for Veterans' Administration involving an increase of $239,399,000. Referred to Committee on Appropriations and ordered to be printed as S. Doc. 78. Page 6491

Military Housing: By voice vote, Senate passed, S. 1184, to encourage construction of rental housing at or in areas adjacent to military and naval installations. Pages 6537–6540

Civil-Functions Appropriations: By voice vote, Senate passed H. R. 3734, civil-functions appropriations for 1950, after taking the following action on motions and amendments:

By voice vote, adopted amendment by Senator Thomas of Oklahoma, to include project for Oklahoma City at cost of $10,460,000; a subsequent motion by Senator Ferguson to reconsider the vote by which this amendment had been adopted was rejected by 36 yeas to 39 nays. Point of order was sustained against Douglas amendment, directing Secretary of Army to reduce by 40 percent expenditure of appropriations in the bill, whereupon Senator Douglas made a motion to suspend the rules and pass this amendment, which motion was rejected by voice vote. Ferguson-Bridges motion to recommit bill with instructions to reduce its appropriations by 10 percent was rejected by 29 yeas to 48 nays, following adoption, by 59 yeas to 15 nays, of Butler motion to lay on table the Douglas motion in the nature of a substitute for the Ferguson-Bridges recommittal motion.

(The Douglas substitute would have provided for recommittal with instructions to reduce by 40 percent the amount of appropriations in the bill.)

A Wherry motion to recommit bill with instructions to reduce appropriations by 5 percent was then rejected by 34 yeas to 44 nays. A Connally motion to reconsider committee amendment regarding funds for flood-control item on Trinity River was rejected by voice vote.

A conference was requested by Senate and the following conferees were appointed: Senators McKellar, Hayden, Russell, Thomas of Oklahoma, Chavez, Bridges, Gurney, and Ferguson. Pages 6495–6537

National Security Act: Following passage of H. R. 3734, Army civil-functions appropriations, Senate began consideration of S. 1843, National Security Act amendments of 1949. Page 6537

Confirmations: Fifteen civilian nominations were confirmed, as follows: Admiral Alan G. Kirk to be Ambassador to Russia, Capus M. Waynick to be Ambassador to Nicaragua, George R. Merrell to be Ambassador to Ethiopia, William C. Foster to be Deputy U. S. Special Representative in Europe, Gordon Dean and Henry DeWolf Smyth to be members of the AEC, together with nine appointments in the Public Health Service. Page 6545

Nominations: Seventeen hundred and eight Navy nominations were received, along with one postmaster withdrawal. Pages 6541–6545

Committee Meetings

GOVERNMENT ALCOHOL PLANTS

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Subcommittee held hearings on status and future of Government alcohol plants, with Dr. G. E. Hildert, Chief of the Bureau of Agricultural and Industrial Chemistry, Department of Agriculture, testifying on industrial alcohol—its production, industrial background, and uses; its cost and markets, its competitive relationships, and its utility as motor fuel. Subcommittee adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

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Committee on Appropriations: Continued hearings on H. R. 4177, independent offices appropriations, subcommittee received further testimony from AEC Chairman David E. Lilienthal, and associates, on funds for the AEC fellowship program. Ugo Carusi, Chairman, Displaced Persons Commission, and associates, appeared in support of funds for displaced-persons program and Maj. Gen. Lewis B. Hershey, and assistants, appeared to defend their request for increase in funds over the House-passed figure of $4,500,000 to $16,700,000 for the Selective Service. Hearings continue May 23.

BATTLE OF BULGE—MILITARY TRIALS

Committee on Armed Services: Dr. Max Karan, medical officer in charge of the prisoners in December 1945, and Dr. John Ricker, medical officer in charge of prisoners during January and February 1946, appeared to give general background information to the subcommittee in connection with its hearings on S. Res. 42, to investigate military trials of persons who massacred American soldiers in the Battle of the Bulge.

Senator McCarthy, who has been attending the hearings as a representative of the Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments, withdrew from further participation in these hearings, after making a statement to that effect. The hearings, however, will continue as scheduled, meeting again next week on May 23 and 24.

AIR-LINE INDUSTRY

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Committee continued hearings in pursuance of S. Res. 50, to authorize study and investigation of the financial condition and operating efficiency of the air-line industry, receiving further testimony on the general subject from Cyril C. Thompson, executive secretary, Airport Operators Council; B. F. Napheys, Jr., Air Line Dispatchers Association; and Charles F. Willis, Jr., president, Willys Air Service, Inc. Hearings continue May 23.

UN-AMERICAN ACTIVITIES

Committee on the Judiciary: Continuing its hearings on S. 1194 and S. 1196, to protect the U. S. against un-American and subversive activities, subcommittee heard Arnold Johnson, Communist Party (continuing his testimony); Joseph H. Rainey, magistrate, of Philadelphia; Bernard Mintor, United Furniture Workers of America, CIO; and Winston McDaniel, student, of Wisconsin, testify in opposition to the proposed legislation.

GOVERNMENT PAY BILLS

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Subcommittee continued hearings on general pay-increase bills for Government employees, with Thomas Walters, Government Employees Council, A. F. of L., and G. M. Higley, Central Pennsylvania Postal Council, Harrisburg, testifying generally in support of the proposed legislation. Robert J. Lacklen, National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics, appeared to suggest various technical amendments to S. 1762, to establish standard schedule of rates of basic compensation for certain employees of the Federal Government, to fix an equitable system for adjusting the rates of basic compensation of individual employees, and repeal Classification Act of 1923. Hearings continue May 25.

COLUMBIA VALLEY, FLOOD CONTROL, AND BRIDGE COMMISSION

Committee on Public Works: In executive session, committee agreed to begin open hearings on Columbia River Valley development bills (S. 1595, 1631, 1632, and 1645) beginning May 27.

It also voted to report the following two bills: S. 1324, providing for modification of flood-control project on Heart River at Mandan, N. Dak., and S. 1577, to revive and reenact the act creating the City of Clinton Bridge Commission, operating bridge over Mississippi between Clinton, Iowa, and Fulton, Ill.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Six public bills, H. R. 4796–4801; six private bills, H. R. 4802–4807; and one resolution, H. Res. 226, were introduced. Pages 6585–6586

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

Conference report on S. 900, to amend the Commodity Credit Corporation Charter Act and the Strategic and Critical Materials Stock Piling Act (filed on May 19) (H. Rept. 643);

H. R. 3003, to transfer the Pomona station of the Agriculture Remount Service, Department of Agriculture, at Pomona, Calif. (H. Rept. 644);

H. R. 4263, to authorize Secretary of Agriculture to carry out operations to combat the citrus blackfly, white-fringed beetle, and the Hall scale (H. Rept. 645);

H. R. 3338, to amend section 9 of Civil Service Retirement Act so as to grant credit in accordance with such section for service for which, through inadvertence, no deduction from salary are made (H. Rept. 646);

H. R. 4703, relating to the internal security of the United States (H. Rept. 647);

Disposition of executive papers (H. Repts. 648–650);

H. R. 3756, to amend Civil Service Retirement Act to provide that annuities of certain employees engaged in enforcement of criminal laws should be computed on basis of average basic salaries for any five consecutive years of allowable services (H. Rept. 651);

H. Res. 226, providing for consideration of, and 2 hours of debate on, H. R. 4567, amending Displaced Persons Act of 1948, relative to number of DP's to be admitted (H. Res. 652); and

H. Res. 215, to investigate certain matters pertaining to the merchant marine and fisheries of the United States (H. Rept. 563). Page 6586

Uniformed Services Pay Bill: After more than 4 hours of debate on H. R. 4591, to provide pay and physical disability retirement for members of the uniformed services, further consideration of the measure was deferred until Monday. Pages 6546–6580

Memorial Day: Adopted S. J. Res. 61, providing for designation by the President of Memorial Day 1949 as a day for a Nation-wide prayer for peace. Page 6580

Committee Meetings

ALASKA COMMUNICATION SYSTEM

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee No. 1 agreed to report favorably to the full committee H. R. 4315, to authorize construction at stations of the Alaska communication system. Brig. Gen. K. B. Lawton, Department of the Army, testified on this bill.

RENTAL HOUSING, MILITARY AREAS

Committee on Banking and Currency: Opened hearings on H. R. 4491, to encourage construction of rental housing on or in areas adjacent to armed-services installations. Speaking in support of this proposed legislation were W. Stuart Symington and Eugene M. Zuckert, Secretary and Assistant Secretary of the Air Force, respectively; Capt. Merle Van Metre, USN, Assistant Chief, Home Base Section, Office of Chief of Naval Operations; and Maj. Gen. W. O. Reeder, USA, Deputy Director, Commands and Services, Logistics Division, Department of the Army. Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

FAIR EMPLOYMENT PRACTICES

Committee on Education and Labor: The Powell subcommittee at today's hearings on H. R. 4453, relating to fair employment practices in industry, heard the following proponent witnesses: Leo Cherne, treasurer, National Citizens Council on Civil Rights; Stetson Kennedy; Dr. Frank Loesher, Friends Committee on National Legislation and American Friends Committee; Herman Edelsberg, Anti-Defamation League; Rev. Sandy Ray, National Baptist Convention; and Very Rev. Msgr. John J. McGlafferty, Catholic International Council of Washington. Hearings will be continued on next Tuesday.

FEDERAL AID TO EDUCATION

Committee on Education and Labor: The Barden subcommittee, which is considering legislation regarding Federal aid to education, heard the testimony of Representatives Wickersham and Byrnes, and Thomas C. Boushall, of the U. S. Chamber of Commerce. Hearings will be resumed next Tuesday.

YUGOSLAV CLAIMS

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Continued executive discussions on H. R. 4406, setting up a commission within the State Department to have jurisdiction over claims under the Yugoslav Claims Act of 1948. Jack Tate, Benedict English, and Samuel Herman, all of the State Department, again spoke on this measure. Hearings will be continued on Monday.

NATIONAL HEALTH

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Representative Dingell testified before the Subcommittee on Public Health, Science, and Commerce, at today's hearings on H. R. 4312, national health insurance bill. The subcommittee meets on national health bills again next Tuesday.

TRANSPORTATION OF EXPLOSIVES

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: The Subcommittee on Transportation opened hearings on H. R. 3940, to regulate the transportation, packing, marketing, and description of explosives and other dangerous articles. Departmental witnesses were G. Nathan Calkins, Bureau of Law, Civil Aeronautics Board; and John J. Quinn, Chief, General Rules Section, Bureau of Safety Regulations, CAB. Speaking on behalf of the bill was D. W. Markham, assistant general counsel, Air Transport Association of America, Washington, D. C.

NATURALIZATION—PATENTS—PEACE

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 1 heard Representative Hobbs and Watson B. Miller, Commissioner, Immigration and Naturalization Service, in support of H. R. 10, to facilitate the deportation of certain aliens.

Subcommittee No. 4 heard Paul A. Rose, representing the American Patent Law Association, and Roy Hackley, Chief of Patent Section, Department of Justice, on H. R. 2477, adjustment of royalties and like charges for the use of inventions for the benefit of or by the United States.

Also, agreed to report favorably to the full committee S. J. Res. 61, requesting the President to issue a proclamation designating Memorial Day 1949 as a day for a Nation-wide prayer for peace.

GREAT LAKES VESSELS

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: The Subcommittee on Maritime Affairs held further hearings on H. R. 2336, authorizing the Maritime Commission to convert certain vessels to types suitable for use on the Great Lakes. Testifying at today's hearings were Henry Brockel, port director, Port of Milwaukee, Wis.; Warren E. Emblidge, vice president, traffic, Great Lakes Transit Corp.; and Frazer A. Bailey, president, National Federation of American Shipping. Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

POSTAL RATES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Testifying at today's hearings on H. R. 2945, to increase certain postal rates, were Mrs. May O. Vander Pyl, president, Advertising Letter Service, Detroit, Mich.; and Representatives Jones of North Carolina and Keating. Hearings will be continued on Monday.

FLOOD-CONTROL AUTHORIZATIONS

Committee on Public Works: Continued hearings on flood-control authorizations, and discussed the following projects, on which the listed witnesses testified:

Willamette River Basin: Colonel Gee; Col. O. B. Walsh, district engineer, Portland, Oreg.; Governor Douglas McKay, Oregon; Elmo B. Chase, chairman, Willamette Valley Project Committee; and Representatives Ellsworth and Norblad.

Green-Duwamish River, Wash.: Colonel Gee; J. W. Dixon, Bureau of Reclamation; C. A. Erdahl, chairman, Pacific Northwest Utilities Conference Committee; Bob Jones, chairman, Utilities Committee, Seattle, Wash.; John L. Forneir, Chambers of Commerce, Kent and Auburn, Wash.; and Representative Tollefson.

Albeni Falls project, Idaho: Colonel Gee; J. W. Dixon, Bureau of Reclamation; Kirby Billingsley, Columbia Basin Commission; Fred L. Wolf, Newport, Wash.; Leland Archer, vice president, Kootenai Valley Reclamation Association; J. A. Ford, Spokane Chamber of Commerce; H. C. Webb, Puget Sound Power & Light; Robert E. Dow, Priest River, Idaho, Chamber of Commerce; and Bob Jones, chairman, Utilities Committee, Seattle.

Columbia River comprehensive plan: Col. Theron D. Weaver, division engineer, North Pacific Division; Michael W. Straus, Bureau of Reclamation; Robert J. Newell, regional director, Reclamation Bureau, Columbia River Basin; Governor Douglas McKay, Oregon; Governor Arthur B. Langley, Washington; Representative Sanborn in behalf of the Governor of Idaho; Fred E. Buck, State engineer, in behalf of the Governor of Montana; Gen. Thomas M. Robbins, Port of Portland Commission; Earl Lloyd, deputy State engineer, Wyoming; William E. Welsh, chairman, Columbia River Resources Committee; Leon L. Bailie, Mesa, Wash.; William Morse, Pineville, representing Chambers of Commerce, Central Oregon; C. A. Erdahl, chairman, Pacific Northwest Utilities Conference Committee; Kirby Billingsley, Columbia Basin Commission; Theodore de Groot, Woodland, Wash.; C. E. Sterrett, Portland Chamber of Commerce; Harry E. Polk, president, National Reclamation Association: C. A. Button, banker, Woodland, Wash.: Leland Archer, vice president, Kootenai Valley Reclamation Association; Kinsey Robinson, Washington Power & Water Co., Spokane; E. W. Rising, chairman, Nation Regional Land and Water Resources Organization; and Representatives Ellsworth and Stockman.

FISHERIES—RURAL TELEPHONES

Committee on Rules: Ordered H. Res. 215 reported to the House as amended. This resolution would permit investigation into certain matters pertaining to the merchant marine and fisheries of the United States. Representatives Bland and Weichel spoke on behalf of the resolution.

Also considered, but took no action on, H. R. 2960, to provide loans for rural telephone service. Representative Poage testified in favor of this bill. Representatives Gathings and August H. Andresen spoke in opposition to it. The committee will meet again Tuesday to consider a rule on the housing bill.

SOCIAL SECURITY

Committee on Ways and Means: Continued executive consideration of proposed amendments to the Social Security Act. Will resume on this topic on Monday morning.

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HIGHLIGHTS

On call of calendar, Senate passed 57 unobjected-to bills and began debate of National Security Act.
Federal public-buildings bill passed by House.
National Science Foundation bill approved by House group.
Conferees agreed on D. C. revenue bill.

Senate

Chamber Action

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Bills Introduced: Four bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1914 to S. 1917; S. Con. Res. 42; and S. Res. 119. Pages 6588–6590

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

The following private bills: H. R. 1053, 1058, 1062, 1497, 2249, and S. Con. Res. 42 (S. Repts. 413 to 418, respectively). Pages 6588–6589

Calendar Bills Passed: On call of the calendar, 57 unobjected-to bills, of which 29 were private, were passed, as follows:

Without amendment and cleared for President:

Capital anniversary: H. J. Res. 200, to authorize National Capital Sesquicentennial Commisson to proceed with plans for celebration of the one hundred and fiftieth anniversary of the establishment of the U. S. Capital in D. C.;

Copyrights: H. R. 2285, to amend U. S. Code with respect to relaxation of provisions governing copyright of foreign works;

Yellowstone River: H. R. 2566, granting congressional consent to States of Montana, North Dakota, and Wyoming to enter a compact for division of waters of the Yellowstone River;

Lincoln Park: H. R. 3259, to add lands to Abraham Lincoln National Historical Park, Ky.;

Labor camps: H. R. 2906, to allow for 1-year extension for disposition of farm-labor camps;

Carson Forest: H. R. 55, to include certain lands in Carson National Forest, N. Mex.;

Public land: H. R. 2812, authorizing sale of certain land in Alaska to Russian Orthodox Greek Catholic Church of North America;

Indians: H. R. 3396, to amend the law relating to timber operations on the Menominee Indian Reservation in Wisconsin;

Arkansas River: H. R. 4151, to grant consent of U. S. to Arkansas River compact; and

Private bills: Twenty private bills: H. R. 580, 681, 692, 761, 1098, 1300, 1597, 2089, 2261, 2268, 603, 636, 639, 688, 738, 967, 1037, 1076, 1471, and 3663.

With amendment, to be sent back to House:

D. C. nurseries: H. R. 3967, to continue child day-care centers in the District;

Alaska Boy Scouts: H. R. 1337, to authorize sale of certain public lands in Alaska to the Alaska Council of Boy Scouts of America;

Labor standards—overtime: H. R. 858, to clarify the overtime compensation provisions of the Fair Labor Standards Act as applied in the longshore, stevedoring, building, and construction industries;

Pecos River: H. R. 3334, to grant the consent of Congress to compact between New Mexico and Texas to waters of Pecos River;

Mining claims: H. R. 1754, to provide for the suspension of annual assessment work on mining claims held by location in the U. S.;

Swiss claims: H. R. 4392, Swiss claims; and

Private bill: One private bill: H. R. 1299.

Without amendment and cleared for House:

Fort Sumner: S. 276, to authorize rehabilitation of certain works of Fort Sumner irrigation district in New Mexico;

Emblem Day: S. J. Res. 62, to proclaim June 20 of each year as Emblem Day;

Forests: S. 1659, to grant congressional consent and approval to interstate forest fire protection compact;

Rehabilitation corporations: S. 930, to provide for liquidation of trusts under transfer agreements with State rural rehabilitation corporations;

Poultry: S. 1760, authorizing the Secretary of Agriculture to cooperate with State and Territorial authorities in the administration of regulations for the improvement of poultry, poultry products, and hatcheries;

Heart River, N. Dak.: S. 1324, providing for modification of flood-control project on Heart River at Mandan, N. Dak.;

Clinton Bridge: S. 1577, to revive and reenact the act creating the City of Clinton Bridge Commission, op-

erating bridge over Mississippi between Clinton, Iowa, and Fulton, Ill.; and

Private bills: Six private bills: S. 1080, 1138, S. Con. Res. 36, 39, and 40, and S. 1296.

With amendment and cleared for House:

Remount station, Nebr.: S. 314, to authorize transfer of tract of land in the Robinson remount station to Crawford, Nebr.;

U. S. Code: S. 1483, to include in title 18 of U. S. Code embezzling, converting, or retaking by fraud automobiles and aircraft;

D. C. judge: S. 1557, appointment of an additional judge for the D. C. juvenile court;

D. C. trust funds: S. 1580, regarding common trust funds and to make uniform the law with reference thereto in the District;

D. C. weeds: S. 885, to provide for removal of weeds from lands in the District;

Citrus fly: S. 1749, authorizing Agriculture Department to carry out operations to combat the citrus blackfly, white-fringed beetle, and the Hall scale;

Veterans' pensions: S. 266, to permit a refund of pension or compensation withheld from an incompetent veteran while hospitalized when released as a competent veteran; and

Private bill: One private bill: S. 1167.

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National Security Act: Senate considered further S. 1843, National Security Act amendments of 1949, adopting two perfecting amendments. Pages 6621–6635

Nominations: Three hundred and thirty-nine Army and one thousand and eighty-seven Navy nominations were received. Pages 6637–6641

Committee Meetings

INDEPENDENT OFFICES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Continuing hearings on H. R. 4177, independent offices appropriations, subcommittee received testimony from the following Government officials and their assistants in support of funds for their respective agencies: David E. Finley, National Art Gallery; Wayne C. Grover, National Archives; Oscar B. Ryder, U. S. Tariff Commission; and Raymond M. Foley, Housing and Home Finance Agency. Hearings continue tomorrow.

INTERIOR APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee opened hearings on H. R. 3838, Interior Department appropriations for 1950, receiving testimony from Secretary of the Interior J. A. Krug, Vernon D. Northrop, Division of Budget and Administrative Management, and A. Walton Seymour, Director, Program Staff, on appropriations for salaries, contingent expenses, and southeastern power marketing; Lee Muck, assistant to the Secretary in charge of land utilization, and colleagues, in support of funds for soil- and moisture-conservation operations; Robert E. Friedman, Acting Director of Oil and Gas Division, appeared on Oil and Gas Division items; and James P. Davis, Director of Division of Territories and Island Possessions, on funds for the Division of Territories and Island Possessions.

DEFENSE PROGRAM

Committee on Armed Services: In executive session, the committee met with Secretary of Defense Johnson to discuss the legislative needs of his Establishment and the committee's program.

BATTLE OF BULGE—MILITARY TRIALS

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee received further background information in connection with its hearings on S. Res. 42, to investigate military trials of persons who massacred American soldiers in the Battle of the Bulge, from Col. Edward J. Carpenter, pretrial investigator of the charges that prisoners were being mistreated, and Herbert Sloan, a member of the investigating team. Hearings continue tomorrow.

REDUCTION OF FEDERAL EXPENDITURES, AND TRAVEL ALLOWANCES

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: After a preliminary discussion in executive session of S. J. Res. 94, to provide economy in Government by reducing expenditures for the fiscal year 1950 in an aggregate equal to at least 5 percent of total amounts appropriated for that year, but restricting reduction of any item by more than 20 percent, the chairman announced that hearings would be held on the resolution as soon as a report from the Bureau of the Budget is available, which will perhaps be sometime before the end of this week.

In open hearings, the committee received testimony in support of H. R. 3005 and S. 352, to regulate subsistence expenses and mileage allowances of civilian officers and employees of the Government, from the following witnesses: Senator Pepper; William Ellis and M. E. Wertz, GAO; Henry Merry and Arthur Focke, Bureau of Budget; Luther C. Steward, National Federation of Federal Employees; Thomas G. Walters, Government Employees Council, AFL; and W. J. Houston, American Federation of Government Employees. Committee adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

INTERNATIONAL WHEAT AGREEMENT

Committee on Foreign Relations: Continuing hearings on the proposed international wheat agreement, the subcommittee heard four witnesses in support and one in opposition to the agreement, as follows: Proponents: James G. Patton, National Farmers Union; Charles Marshall and Ralph T. Gillespie, American Farm Bureau Federation; and J. T. Sanders, National Grange; opponent: Rolla Myers, United Farmers of America, Inc.

ALASKA AND HAWAII

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Committee met in executive session to discuss matters pertaining to Alaska and Hawaii.

INDIANS

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Chairman heard certain New York Indians testify in opposition to S. 192, to confer jurisdiction on the courts of New York with respect to civil actions between Indians or to which Indians are parties.

AIR-LINE INDUSTRY

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: C. E. Woolman, president, Delta Air Lines, and Col. Robert J. Smith, president, Pioneer Air Lines, appeared before the committee to discuss financial and efficiency operation aspects of the air-line industry, in connection with its hearings in pursuance of S. Res. 50, to authorize study and investigation of financial conditions and operating efficiency of the air-line industry. Hearings continue tomorrow.

LOBBYING, PRIVATE BILLS, IMMIGRATION, ANTIPOLL TAX, AND ELECTORAL COLLEGE

Committee on the Judiciary: The committee, in executive session, approved the following bills for reporting: with amendment, S. 1730, to acquire additional farm land for Leavenworth Penitentiary, and five private claims bills: H. R. 1053, 1058, 1062, 1497, and 2249. It also agreed to introduce and report an original concurrent resolution on deportation referral cases.

The following four private bills were indefinitely postponed: S. 396, H. R. 589, 807, and 1875.

Committee also considered H. Con. Res. 62, to investigate lobbying activities, but put over final action until a later date.

The following three bills were referred to subcommittee for study: S. 938, to amend Bankruptcy Act relative to farmer-debtor relief; S. 1837, alien-property claims; and H. R. 157, Young American Medal for Bravery.

Subcommittee filed a report with the full committee on S. J. Res. 34, to amend the Constitution so that the right to vote for President, Vice President, Senators, or Representatives in Congress shall not be denied for failure of paying poll tax or other tax or for not meeting property qualifications, which was discussed by the full committee but on which no final action was taken.

Subcommittee also filed a report to the full committee on S. J. Res. 2, to amend the Constitution regarding the electoral-college system of electing the President and Vice President.

NATIONAL HEALTH

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee opened hearings on pending national health legislation, with J. Donald Kingsley, Assistant Administrator of the FSA, expressing his views on the proposed measures, with special reference to S. 1679, to provide a program of national health insurance and to increase the number of adequately trained personnel in the health professions. Hearings continue tomorrow.

AIR STAR ROUTES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Subcommittee concluded hearings on S. 1597, transportation of mail by air star routes, after receiving testimony in support of the bill from George Miller, Deputy Second Assistant Postmaster General, and Chris Hahn, Post Office Department. The CAB also submitted a statement in support of the bill.

Robert Ramspeck, Air Transport Association of America, and Harry Meixell, National Aviation Trades Association, testified generally in support of the bill, but proposed various amendments.

GENERAL APPROPRIATION BILLS

Committee on Rules and Administration: Subcommittee opened hearings on S. Con. Res. 18, to provide for consolidation of all general appropriation bills into one "general consolidated appropriation" measure, with the following witnesses testifying in support of the resolution: Senators Ferguson and Byrd; Frederick J. Lawton, Assistant Director of the Bureau of the Budget; Gilbert Cake, Assistant Commissioner of Accounts, Treasury Department; and Frank H. Weitzel, Assistant Comptroller General. Subcommittee adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Twenty-three public bills, H. R. 4808–4830; and six private bills, H. R. 4831–4836, were introduced. Pages 6695–6696

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. R. 2020, to enable certain Government employees, separated from the service subsequent to January 23, 1942, to elect to forfeit their rights to civil-service retire-

ment annuities and to obtain in lieu thereof returns of their contributions with interest (H. Rept. 654);

H. R. 2619, to extend benefits of annual and sick-leave laws to part-time employees on regular tours of duty and to validate payments heretofore made for leave on account of services of such employees (H. Rept. 655);

S. 715, to amend the Agricultural Act of 1948 with respect to Maryland and cigar leaf tobacco (H. Rept. 656);

H. R. 4830, making appropriations for foreign aid for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1950 (H. Rept. 657); and

Conference report on H. R. 3704, District of Columbia sales tax and revenue bill (H. Rept. 658).

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Program Change: It was announced that on Tuesday the House would resume consideration of H. R. 4591, the uniformed services pay raise bill, instead of H. R. 4567, to amend the Displaced Persons Act of 1948, also, on Thursday H. R. 4830, the foreign aid appropriation bill for 1950 will be considered in lieu of H. R. 4617, the veterans' pension bill. Both the DP bill and the pension bill are now scheduled for action next week.

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Committee Investigations: Adopted H. Res. 206, authorizing the Committee on Foreign Affairs to conduct thorough studies and investigations of all matters coming within the jurisdiction of such committee; the resolution also grants subpena powers to committee.

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Public Buildings: Passed, by voice vote, after adopting sundry perfecting amendments, H. R. 3662, providing for comprehensive planning, for site acquisition in and outside of the District of Columbia, and for the design of Federal building projects outside of the District of Columbia.

H. R. 3662 authorizes an orderly program for site acquisition and advance planning of Federal public building projects considered necessary and desirable. Actual construction would be delayed until a more propitious time. Provision is also made for adequate authority to pursue a 3-year program of major repair and renovation of Federal buildings.

Later a similar Senate bill (S. 714) was taken from the Speaker's table and amended by deleting the text of S. 714 and inserting the language of H. R. 3662, as passed by the House, following which the House vacated the proceedings of the passage of H. R. 3662 and tabled the House bill.

H. Res. 222, the rule for consideration of H. R. 3662, was previously adopted.

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Committee Meetings

ARMY CLOTHING

Committee on Armed Services: Maj. Gen. Herman Feldman, Quartermaster General, and Maj. Gen. W. H. Middleswart, Assistant Quartermaster General, both of the Department of the Army, testified before the Special Subcommittee on Clothing at today's open hearings.

INTERNATIONAL BANK SECURITIES—MEDAL

Committee on Banking and Currency: Ordered H. R. 4332 reported to the House. This bill amends the National Bank Act and the Bretton Woods Agreements Act relative to permitting national banks to deal in securities of the International Bank. William McChesney Martin, Jr., Assistant Secretary of the Treasury, and John J. McCloy, President of the International Bank, urged adoption of the bill to broaden the market for International Bank bonds.

Also considered, but took no action on, H. J. Res. 188, to provide for the coinage of a medal in recognition of the distinguished services of Vice President Alben W. Barkley. Leland Howard, Assistant Director of the Mint, testified but took no position for or against the bill. He suggested an amendment in the event it should be favorably reported.

TEACHERS' PAY BILL—WEED REMOVAL—OPTOMETRY

Committee on the District of Columbia: The Subcommittee on Health, Education, and Recreation approved the following bills for reporting to the full committee: H. R. 2885, for removal of weeds from D. C. lands; H. R. 4237, regulating the practice of optometry in the District; and H. R. 4381, providing sick leave for D. C. school teachers. The following witnesses testified on the last-mentioned measure: Irving Bryan, Corporation Counsel; Dr. Hobart M. Corning, Superintendent of Schools; Dr. Regis L. Boyle, president, Education Association for the District of Columbia; Don B. Goodloe, legislative representative of Local 27; Mrs. Leon Henderson, Americans for Democratic Action; Ralph Watt, local Teachers Union; Robert Eaves, Parent-Teachers Association; Dr. Birch, Teachers Advisory Council; and Miss Thelma Raymond, Columbian Educational Association.

YUGOSLAV CLAIMS

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Continued hearings on H. R. 4406, Yugoslav claims bill, and heard testimony from Acting Legal Adviser Jack Tate, of the State Department, and George Radin, a private citizen. Will continue on same subject tomorrow morning.

NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: The Subcommittee on Public Health, Science, and Commerce approved for reporting to the full committee a substitute measure in lieu of H. R. 12, to establish a National Science Foundation as an independent agency of Government.

IMMIGRATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 1 ordered six private immigration bills reported favorably to the full committee. Two will be reported adversely.

HAWAIIAN JUDGESHIPS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 3 considered, but took no action on, H. R. 234, 235, 2397, and S. 566, relating to salary, tenure, and retirement of judges in Hawaii. Witnesses heard on this legislation were Delegate Farrington, of Hawaii; Judge A. E. Steadman, Honolulu, T. H.; Kenneth B. Dawson, representing the Bar Association of Hawaii; and James P. Davis, Director, Division of Territories, Department of the Interior.

DISTRICT AND CIRCUIT JUDGES

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 3 will recommend to the full committee the creation of 18 additional district judgeships and 5 circuit judgeships.

CANADIAN SHIPPING, ALASKA

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: The Subcommittee on Alaskan Problems approved for reporting to the full committee H. R. 2634, amended, to permit transportation of passengers or merchandise on Canadian vessels between certain points in Alaska or in the continental United States. Testifying on this bill were Delegate Bartlett, of Alaska; A. U. Krebs, counsel, National Federation of American Shipping; and Grenville Mellen, vice chairman, U. S. Maritime Commission. Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

PANAMA CANAL TOLLS

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: The Special Subcommittee To Investigate Panama Canal Tolls in an open hearing received the testimony of the following witnesses: Frazer Bailey, president, National Federation of American Shipping; Capt. Willis W. Bradley, assistant to president, Pacific Coast Steamship Co.; Hoyt S. Haddock, executive secretary, CIO Maritime Committee; and Maurice H. Thatcher, attorney at law and former Governor of Panama Canal, Washington, D. C. Will meet again at call of the Chair.

POSTAL RATES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Postmaster General Jesse M. Donaldson and Robert Hanson, editor of Eagle Magazine, Milwaukee, Wis., spoke in connection with H. R. 2945, to increase certain postal rates. Hearings on this subject will be resumed Wednesday.

INDIAN LANDS

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Indian Affairs approved the following bills for reporting to the full committee, both amended: H. R. 4584, disposition of Indian lands in California; and H. R. 4616, administration of restricted lands in California. Testifying on these measures were Representatives Lovre and Phillips of California; and John H. Provinse, J. M. Critchfield, and W. N. Stevens, all of the Department of the Interior. Considered, but took no action on, H. R. 1628, private land-patent bill. Committee will meet again tomorrow morning at 9:30 a. m.

MINING

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Mines and Mining, considering H. R. 388, to release for mining purposes lands now withdrawn for power sites, held general discussion of amendments but postponed action on the bill. Appearing on the subject were Marion Clawson and Jacob Wasserman, Bureau of Land Management, and John Sieker, of the Forest Service. Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

FLOOD-CONTROL AUTHORIZATIONS

Committee on Public Works: Continued hearings on flood-control authorizations. Col. H. G. Gee, Corps of Engineers, testified on all projects considered today, which are listed below, along with any additional witnesses: Los Angeles River Basin, M. E. Salisbury, Los Angeles County Flood Control District. San Joaquin River Basin, and Kaweah and Tule River Basins. Santa Ana River, Calif., Representatives Sheppard and Phillips of California; Lachlan McLeay, president, Mississippi Valley Association, of Redlands, Calif.; Frank Mogle, chairman, board of supervisors, San Bernardino, Calif.; William C. Slape, member, board of supervisors, Riverside County, Calif.; Max Bookman, county engineer, Riverside County; Howard Way, county engineer, San Bernardino; and Earl Redwine, county counsel, Riverside County. Kawainui Swamp, Hawaii. Committee will meet tomorrow morning on flood-control projects in the Mississippi Valley.

HOSPITALIZATION, SPANISH WAR VETERANS

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Subcommittee met on H. R. 4074, liberalizing hospitalization requirements for Spanish-War veterans, and heard Judge Edward S. Matthias of the Ohio Supreme Court testify in favor of the proposal. Hearings on this bill were concluded.

SOCIAL SECURITY

Committee on Ways and Means: Continued executive consideration of proposed amendments to the Social Security Act. Will resume on this topic tomorrow morning.

Joint Committee Meetings

D. C. REVENUE

Conferees on H. R. 3704, to provide additional revenue for the D. C. by levying a tax on gross sales and increasing rates on various existing taxes, agreed to file a conference report on the differences between the House- and Senate-passed versions of the bill. As agreed upon, the Senate conferees accepted a modification of Senate liquor amendment, and the House conferees accepted most other Senate amendments, some with minor amendments.

AEC FELLOWSHIP AWARD

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Committee heard Dr. Isidore S. Edelman, Peter Bent Brigham Hospital, Boston, discuss the AEC fellowship award which he had received from the AEC.

Committee also met in executive session, but made no announcement of action taken.

Tuesday, May 24, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate continued debate on National Security Act.
Uniformed services pay-raise bill recommitted by House.
UN Participation Act approved by Senate group.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 6697–6703

Bills Introduced: Twelve bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 1918 to S. 1929; and S. J. Res. 95. Page 6701

Mining Claims: After reconsidering its previous action in passing the bill, Senate repassed, with a perfecting amendment, H. R. 1754, to provide for the suspension of annual assessment work on mining claims held by location in the U. S. Pages 6697–6698

National Security Act: Senate continued debate on S. 1843, National Security Act amendments of 1949. Pending at recess was Morse amendment to eliminate prohibition against transfer of marines or naval aviators to other branches of armed services.

Pages 6703–6719, 6725–6726

Nominations: A total of 297 nominations were received, including 1 civilian and 296 in the Air Force.

Pages 6726–6727

Committee Meetings

INDEPENDENT OFFICES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee continued hearings on H. R. 4177, independent offices appropriations, receiving testimony from AEC Chairman Lilienthal, and associates, and Dr. Isidore S. Edelman, Peter Bent Brigham Hospital, Boston, on the AEC fellowship program. Hearings continue tomorrow.

STATE, JUSTICE, COMMERCE, AND JUDICIARY APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee met in executive session to mark up for reporting H. R. 4016, State, Justice, Commerce, and Judiciary appropriations for 1950, but did not conclude its work. Subcommittee meets again tomorrow.

BATTLE OF BULGE—MILITARY TRIALS

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee heard further background information in connection with its hearings on S. Res. 42, to investigate military trials of persons who massacred American soldiers in the Battle of the Bulge, from Benjamin Reich, a member of the prosecuting staff of the war crimes investigating team from January 1946 to February 1947.

VIVISECTION

Committee on the District of Columbia: Representatives of medical schools and colleges, humane societies, and antivivisection societies appeared before the subcommittee to give their views on S. 1703, to provide that unclaimed animals in the D. C. be made available for scientific purposes. Hearings continue tomorrow.

UN PARTICIPATION ACT, AND WHEAT AGREEMENT

Committee on Foreign Relations: In executive session, committee voted to report with amendments a committee substitute of S. 1037, to amend the UN Participation Act of 1945.

Numerous routine Foreign Service nominations were voted reported favorably to the Senate.

Committee discussed the international wheat agreement, but did not take final action on it. The chairman stated the committee would probably act on reporting the agreement at its meeting on May 31.

AIR-LINE INDUSTRY

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Capt. Eddie Rickenbacker, president, Eastern Air Lines, testified before the committee on the financial and efficiency operation aspects of the air-line industry, in connection with the committee's hearings in pursuance of S. Res. 50, to authorize study and investigation of financial conditions and operating efficiency of the air-line industry. Hearings continue May 26.

NATURAL GAS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Leland Olds, Commissioner, Federal Power Commission, appeared before the subcommittee to express the position of the FPC on S. 1498, to amend the Natural Gas Act to exempt independent producers and gatherers of natural gas. Hearings continue May 26.

PRIVATE BILL

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee met to consider S. 410, private bill.

COAL MINERS

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee continued hearings on S. 1031, to give the Bureau of Mines power to have coal miners withdrawn from mines or sections of mines where imminent or immediate danger exists, receiving further testimony on the bill from the following witnesses: Richard Maize, secretary of mines of Pennsylvania; Jesse V. Sullivan, secretary of West Virginia Coal Association; A. D. Sisk, chief, Kentucky Department of Mines and Minerals; Lyman Fearn, Mine Inspection Department, Wyoming; and A. W. Dickinson, American Mining Congress. Hearings continue tomorrow.

NATIONAL HEALTH

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Continuing hearings on pending national health bills, the subcommittee heard Senator Taft express his views on his bill, S. 1581, to coordinate Federal health functions into a single agency, to provide health grants to States, grants for local health units, and to study increase of medical personnel. Senator Hill expressed his views on his bill, S. 1456, to authorize grants to States for the purpose of hospital and medical care for all persons. Hearings continue tomorrow.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Fourteen public bills, H. R. 4837–4850; and eight private bills, H. R. 4851–4858, were introduced. Pages 6777–6778

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

Eight private bills, H. R. 601, 1065, 1289, 1637, 1672, 2090, 2224, and 3461 (H. Repts, 659–666, respectively);

S. J. Res. 12, authorizing the President to proclaim the week in which June 6, 1949, occurs as Patrick Henry Week (H. Rept. 667);

H. J. Res. 241, authorizing the President to proclaim October 11 of each year General Pulaski's Memorial Day for the observance and commemoration of the death of Brig. Gen. Casimir Pulaski (H. Rept. 668);

H. R. 3826, to regulate and improve the civil service of the United States (H. Rept. 669); and

H. R. 4754, to simplify the procurement, utilization, and disposal of Government property, to reorganize certain Government agencies (H. Rept. 670). Page 6777

Private Bill: Agreed to Senate amendments to H. R. 1299, a private bill, thus completing congressional action. Page 6730

Commodity Credit Corporation: Adopted conference report on S. 900, to amend the Commodity Credit Corporation Charter Act and the Strategic and Critical Materials Stock Piling Act. Pages 6730–6732

Uniformed Services Pay Raise: Voted, 227 yeas to 163 nays, to recommit H. R. 4591, to provide pay, allowances, and physical disability retirement for members of the uniformed services.

Prior to the recommital of the bill the House had rejected amendments to lessen the pay increases to officers above the rank of captain; also to equalize hazardous-duty pay.

In addition to numerous committee and perfecting amendments, the House adopted an amendment to extend the coverage of the Servicemen's Dependents Allowance Act of 1942 for duration of enlistment of men with dependents who enlisted after July 1, 1946.

Pages 6732–6775

Swiss War Damage: Disagreed to Senate amendments to H. R. 4392, which authorizes payment of not to exceed $16,000,000 for compensation to the Swiss Government for losses and damages inflicted on Swiss territory during World War II by U. S. armed forces; requested

a conference with the Senate; and appointed Representatives Kee, Richards, Gordon, Eaton, and Vorys conferees on the part of the House. Page 6773

Economic Problems: Adopted S. Con. Res. 26, authorizing Joint Committee on Economic Report to investigate certain economic problems, and to provide $30,000 for that purpose. Page 6774

D. C. Sales Tax: Considered the conference report on H. R. 3704, the District of Columbia sales tax and revenue bill, but postponed the vote on adoption of the conference report until Thursday. Pages 6774–6775

Bills Referred: Nineteen Senate-passed bills, passed on May 23, were referred to appropriate committees. Pages 6776–6777

Committee Meetings

FARM PROGRAM

Committee on Agriculture: Pace special subcommittee met in executive session and held general discussion of the national farm program. The subcommittee will continue on this subject Thursday morning.

PX-SHIP'S SERVICE INVESTIGATION

Committee on Armed Services: Special Subcommittee on Post Exchanges opened investigation relative to operation of post exchanges, ship's service stores, etc. Robert W. Smart, professional staff member with the committee, presented the opening statement. Hearings on this subject will be resumed on Thursday morning.

FAIR EMPLOYMENT PRACTICES

Committee on Education and Labor: The Powell subcommittee, at its hearings on H. R. 4453, fair employment practices bill, heard the testimony of the following witnesses who spoke in favor of the proposed legislation: representatives of the American Veterans Committee, the American Jewish Congress, and the Jewish War Veterans; Elmer W. Henderson, American Council on Human Rights; Nancy Wechsler, National Council of Jewish Women; and Dr. Felix Cohen, Association of American Indian Affairs, Inc. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

AID TO EDUCATION

Committee on Education and Labor: Barden subcommittee continued hearings on S. 246 and H. R. 4643, relative to Federal aid to education. Testifying today were Representatives Hays of Arkansas and Marshall. Also heard wer State school officers who were introduced by Representative Sims, as follows: Ed Rushton, superintendent of schools, Orangeburg; John Martin, Hartsville; P. C. Smith, director of finance, State Department of Education; E. R. Crow, superintendent of schools, Sumter; and Edgar Fuller, National Council of Chief State School Officers, all of South Carolina. They were followed by Mrs. John B. Bonny, Ellensburg, Wash., and George W. Robnett, Church League of America. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

YUGOSLAV CLAIMS

Committee on Foreign Affairs: At open hearings on H. R. 4406, Yugoslav claims bill, the committee heard the testimony of Hall Neuberger, of New York City, and Isadore G. Alk, of Washington, D. C. Will meet again at call of the Chair.

ANTI-POLL TAX

Committee on House Administration: The Subcommittee on Elections heard the testimony of Representative Pickett regarding the subject of anti-poll-tax legislation. He will resume his statement at tomorrow morning's hearings.

NATIONAL HEALTH INSURANCE

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee on Public Health, Science, and Commerce, considering H. R. 4312 and 4313, national health insurance bills, heard the favorable testimony of Albert Lasker, of New York City, and Dr. Channing Frothingham, chairman, Committee for the Nation's Health, Boston, Mass. Dr. Frothingham will conclude his statement at tomorrow morning's meeting. A statement in favor of the legislation was released by Joseph Anderson, executive secretary, American Association of Social Workers, Washington, D. C. He will appear at a later date for summarization of his testimony. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

HOLIDAY BILLS—MONOPOLISTIC PRACTICES

Committee on the Judiciary: Ordered the following bills reported to the House:

S. J. Res. 12, authorizing the President to proclaim the week in which June 9, 1949, occurs as Patrick Henry Week in commemoration of the sesquicentennial anniversary of the death of Patrick Henry; and

H. J. Res. 241, authorizing the President to proclaim October 11 of each year General Pulaski's Memorial Day for the observance and commemoration of the death of Brig. Gen. Casimir Pulaski; amended to apply to 1949 only.

Fourteen private claims bills were ordered reported favorably; one private claim bill was tabled. Also, tabled H. R. 968, declaring Good Friday in each year a legal holiday.

The chairman announced the appointment of a special subcommittee to investigate monopolistic practices, composed of Representatives Celler, Walter, Wilson of Texas, Denton, Michener, Case, and Keating.

WILDLIFE REFUGE PROBLEMS

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Subcommittee on Fisheries and Wildlife Conservation approved for reporting to the full committee H. R. 3751, to transfer a tower located on Lower Souris National Wildlife Refuge to the International Peace Garden, Inc., N. Dak. Representative Lemke spoke on behalf of this bill.

The subcommittee also considered H. R. 3711, to amend the Migratory Bird-Hunting Stamp Act, with reference to wildlife management projects, and heard testimony of the following witnesses: Representative Thompson, author of the bill; Albert M. Day, Director, Fish and Wildlife Service; Carl D. Shoemaker, National Wildlife Federation; and J. Hammond Brown, executive director, Outdoor Writers Association of America. Hearings on this bill will be continued tomorrow.

CIVIL-SERVICE BENEFITS

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: The Karst subcommittee approved for reporting to the full committee H. R. 4295, extra benefits to civil-service annuitants who retired prior to April 1, 1948. The following witnesses were heard on this measure: Warren B. Irons, Chief, Retirement Division, Civil Service Commission; Jerome J. Keating, secretary, National Association of Letter Carriers; Thomas G. Walters, operations director, Government Employees Council; Luther Steward, president, National Federation of Federal Employees; Lester Dorson, secretary-treasurer, Retirement Federation of Civil Service Employees; Lewis H. Fisher, general counsel, National Association of Retired Civil Employees; Robert Rice, president, Railway Mail Association; William C. Armbrust, president, United National Association of Post Office Clerks; Col. Charles I. Stengle, legislative representative, American Federation of Government Employees; Jessie Horton, legislative representative, National Association of Postal Supervisors; and Ross Messer, Washington representative, National Association of Post Office Custodial Employees.

TERRITORIAL BILLS—MOUNT VERNON PARKWAY

Committee on Public Lands: Ordered the following bills reported to the House:

H. R. 4000, to amend the Hawaiian Organic Act relative to disqualification of the legislators;

H. R. 4586, to authorize the Virgin Islands government to issue bonds; and

H. R. 2121, authorizing conveyance of certain abandoned school properties to local school officials in Alaska.

All of the above bills were amended.

Also considered H. R. 1936, authorizes the Secretary of the Interior to grant a right-of-way to Mount Vernon Highway for public road use. Representative Smith of Virginia spoke on behalf of the bill. Representative Bolton and Thomas H. MacDonald, Commissioner, Public Roads Administration, testified in opposition. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

INDIAN BILLS

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Indian Affairs approved the following bills for reporting to the full committee: H. R. 3895, to declare that the United States holds certain lands in trust for Minnesota Chippewa Tribe; and H. R. 4815, to provide medical service to non-Indians in Indian hospitals. Witnesses heard today were Representative Patten; John R. Provinse and H. M. Critchfield, both of the Department of the Interior; and Kenneth P. Nelson, secretary to Representative Hagen. Subcommittee's next meeting is scheduled for next Tuesday.

FLOOD-CONTROL AUTHORIZATIONS

Committee on Public Works: At today's hearings on flood-control authorizations Brig. Gen. P. A. Feringa, president, Mississippi River Commission, testified on the lower Mississippi River and tributaries projects. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

HOUSING

Committee on Rules: Considered rule for House debate on H. R. 4009, the Housing Act of 1949. Representatives Spence and Multer spoke in favor of the rule, and Representatives Nicholson and Wolcott opposed it. Further consideration of this rule will be given at tomorrow morning's meeting.

ESPIONAGE

Committee on Un-American Activities: Held open hearing on espionage investigation. Clarence F. Hiskey, a chemist, was identified today by Paul Crouch as a member of a Communist group in Knoxville, Tenn. Mr. Hiskey refused to answer the committee's questions. This subject will be further considered at tomorrow morning's executive session.

VETERANS' BENEFITS

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Continued hearings on bills relating to service-connected disabilities and heard specific testimony on H. R. 906, stenographic assistance for veterans' organizations, from Omar B. Ketchum, national legislative director, VFW, and Elmer Richter, director, VFW claims service. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

SOCIAL SECURITY

Committee on Ways and Means: Continued consideration of proposed amendments to the Social Security Act in executive session and will meet again tomororw on the same subject.

Joint Committee Meetings

REORGANIZATION

Conferees on H. R. 2361, Reorganization Act of 1949, met again in executive session to work out compromise on differences between the House- and Senate-passed versions of the bill. They meet again tomorrow.

Wednesday, May 25, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate continued debate on National Security Act.

House conducted memorial services for deceased Members.

Foreign-aid appropriation bill cleared for House consideration by Rules Committee.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 6778–6780

Bills Introduced: Ten bills were introduced, as follows: S. 1930 to S. 1939. Pages 6780–6781

Bill Reported: One report was made as follows: H. R. 1222, to authorize the exchange of certain fishery facilities within the State of Washington (S. Rept. 419). Page 6780

Swiss War Claims: Senate agreed to conference on H. R. 4392, Swiss war claims, and appointed as conferees Senators Pepper, Green, and Lodge. Page 6789

National Security Act: Senate further considered S. 1843, National Security Act amendments of 1949, rejecting by 26 yeas to 46 nays, Morse amendment to eliminate prohibition against transfer of marines or naval aviators to other branches of armed services. It then took up but did not reach a vote on Morse amendment providing that chairman of Joint Chiefs of Staff shall have vote thereon, that his term shall be 4 years instead of 2, and that he may exercise military command over Joint Chiefs of Staff and the services. Pages 6781–6788

CCC Charter: Senate temporarily put aside consideration of S. 1843, National Security Act amendments of 1949, and debated conference report on S. 900, to amend comprehensively the CCC charter, but did not reach a vote on adoption. Pages 6789–6817

Nominations: Fifteen civilian nominations were received, including those of George P. Shaw, Texas, to be Ambassador to El Salvador; Pete Jarman, Alabama, to be Ambassador to Australia; Nathaniel P. Davis, New Jersey, to be envoy to Hungary; and Joseph Flack, Pennsylvania, to be Ambassador to Costa Rica. Page 6817

Committee Meetings

FORESTRY BILLS

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Subcommittee held hearings on pending forestry bills (H. R. 2296, S. 1458, S. 2, S. 282, S. 369, and S. J. Res. 24), with the following witnesses testifying generally in support of such legislation: Lyle F. Watts, Chief, and Richard E. McArdle, Assistant Chief, both of the Forest Service; Julien L. Boatman, Extension Service; Joseph F. Kaylor, Association of State Foresters; Thomas R. Owens, Front Royal, Va.; Dr. T. B. Symons, Association of Land Grant Colleges and Universities; B. E. Allen, Union Paper & Bag Co., Savannah, Ga.; Daniel Joldy, U. S. Bureau of Land Management; and Paul W. Schoen, Forest Farmers Association, Valdosta, Ga.

The following witnesses appeared in opposition to the proposed legislation: Richard A. Colgan, National Lumber Manufacturers Association, Washington; Richard W. Wortham, Jr., Southern Pine Industry Committee, Dallas, Tex.; Truman Collins, Western Pine Association, Portland, Oreg.; George Flanagan, West Coast Lumbermen's Association, Oregon; Robert Moore, Danville, Pa.; Edwin S. Stuart, Burgess Store, Va.; Richard P. White, American Association of Nurserymen; S. L. Frost, American Forestry Association; and Henry Bahr, National Lumber Manufacturers Association.

STATE, JUSTICE, COMMERCE, AND JUDICIARY APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee concluded marking up for reporting to full committee H. R. 4016, State, Justice, Commerce, and Judiciary appropriations for 1950, but made no announcement of actions taken.

SECOND DEFICIENCY APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee concluded hearings on H. R. 4046, second deficiency appropriations for 1949, after receiving testimony from Senators Thomas of Utah and Watkins in support of funds for recreational areas in national forests adjacent to Salt Lake City and Ogden, from Senator Watkins on Spanish River project, and from Gen. Jack W. Wood, Air Force, and colleagues, on funds for the air lift.

INDEPENDENT OFFICES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Continuing hearings on H. R. 4177, independent offices appropriations, subcommittee heard Carl Gray and associates, all of the VA, testify in support of funds for the Veterans' Administration. Several private witnesses appeared before the subcommittee in support of funds for flight training. Hearings continue tomorrow.

VIVISECTION

Committee on the District of Columbia: Subcommittee concluded hearings on S. 1703, to provide that unclaimed animals in the D. C. be made available for scientific purposes, after receiving further testimony from various representatives of medical schools and colleges, humane societies, and antivivisection societies.

FISHERY FACILITIES, FPC, AND MERCHANT MARINE NOMINATIONS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: In executive session, committee voted to report favorably to the Senate the nominations of Maj. Gen. Philip Fleming to be a member of the Maritime Commission, and Thomas C. Buchanan to be a member of the FPC.

It also agreed to report without amendment H. R. 1222, to authorize exchange of certain fishery facilities within the State of Washington.

ANTILYNCHING

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee heard Senator McGrath testify in support of his bill S. 1726, to provide protection of persons from lynching. Elmer W. Henderson, director of the American Council of Human Rights, appeared generally in support of the antilynching bills pending before the subcommittee (S. 91, S. 1404, and S. 1726), particularly in support of S. 1404, protection of persons from mob violence and lynching. Subcommittee adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

COAL MINERS

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Continuing hearings on S. 1031, to give the Bureau of Mines power to have coal miners withdrawn from mines or sections of mines where imminent or immediate danger exists, subcommittee heard the following witnesses express their views on the bill: G. W. Grove, U. S. Bureau of Mines; C. J. Flippen, labor commissioner of the Kanawha Coal Operators Association, Charleston, W. Va.; Walter B. Odendahl, Utah Fuel Co.; Ronald Oliver, Colorado and New Mexico Coal Operators; and W. F. Cobb, Alabama Mining Institute, Birmingham. Hearings continue tomorrow.

NATIONAL HEALTH

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee, continuing hearings on pending national health bills (S. 1106, S. 1456, S. 1581, and S. 1679), heard the following witnesses express their views on the proposed legislation: Prof. Seymour E. Harris, Harvard University; Drs. Roscoe Sensenich, Louis Bauer, and Lowell S. Goin, all representing American Medical Association; and Dr. Carl O. Flagstad, American Dental Association. Hearings continue May 31.

GOVERNMENT PAY BILLS

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Subcommittee concluded hearings on the pending general pay-increase bills for Government employees (S. 559, S. 558, S. 1762, S. 1772, and S. 1790), after receiving testimony in support of the proposed legislation from the following witnesses: George D. Riley, national legislative committee, AFL; Ross Messer, National Association of Post Office Employees; Orrin A. Burrows, International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, AFL; A. H. Childress, Bureau of Internal Revenue; Milton Kelenson, Public Workers of America; and various persons appearing in private capacity.

RAILWAY SWITCHING SERVICE

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Continuing hearings on S. 1596, to authorize the Postmaster General to enter into special agreements for certain switching service by railway common carriers, the subcommittee heard the following witnesses testify in opposition to the bill: P. J. Schardt, chairman of the Committee on Railroad Mail Transportation; Gurnsey Orcutt, general attorney for the Pennsylvania Railroad; and Starr Thomas, Santa Fe Railroad Co. Hearings continue tomorrow.

ROUTINE MEETING

Committee on Rules and Administration: Committee met briefly in executive session but took no legislative action.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: One public bill, H. R. 4859; one private bill, H. R. 4860; and two resolutions, H. Res. 227 and 228, were introduced. Page 6822

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

Seven private bills, H. R. 1023, 1069, 1075, 1282, 1285, 1598, and 3665 (H. Repts. 671–677, respectively);

H. R. 4387, to relieve certifying officers of terminated war agencies in liquidation by the Treasury Department (H. Rept. 678); and

H. Res. 228, providing for waiving of points of order on H. R. 4830, the foreign aid appropriation bill for 1950 (H. Rept. 679). Page 6822

Memorial Services: Pursuant to H. Res. 186, the House held memorial services for Members who have

died during the past year. Representatives Bosone and Bolton delivered the addresses. At the conclusion of the exercises, the House adjourned as a further mark of respect. Pages 6818–6821

Committee Meetings

FORESTRY

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee No. 3 met in executive session and considered various forestry bills. Adjourned subject to the call of the Chair.

AID TO EDUCATION

Committee on Education and Labor: The Barden subcommittee, at the hearings on S. 246, and H. R. 4643, Federal aid to education bills, heard testimony from the following proponent witnesses: Representative McCarthy; Resident Commissioner Fernós-Isern, of Puerto Rico; Jose J. Rivera, National Education Association, Puerto Rico; and James P. Davis, Director of Territories and Possessions, Department of the Interior. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

FAIR EMPLOYMENT PRACTICES

Committee on Education and Labor: The Powell subcommittee continued its hearings on H. R. 4453, fair employment practices bill, and heard the testimony of Representatives Celler and Hays of Arkansas; Otto Spaeth, Americans for Democratic Action, accompanied by Ann Pasternak, student; Irving Engel, American Jewish Committee; Julius Thomas, National Urban League; Edward H. Foley, Jr., Under Secretary of the Treasury, accompanied by Mr. Dowd and Mr. Longhorn; Alvin W. Hall, Director, Bureau of Engraving and Printing; James Hard, Treasury Department; and David McDonald, secretary treasurer, UAW, CIO. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

NATIONAL HEALTH INSURANCE

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: The Subcommittee on Public Health, Science, and Commerce heard the testimony of the following witnesses at today's hearings on H. R. 4312 and 4313, national health insurance bills: Dr. Channing Frothingham, chairman, Committee for the Nation's Health, Boston, Mass.; J. Donald Kingsley, Assistant Administrator, FSA; Thomas R. Amlie, former Member of Congress, Madison, Wis.; Dr. Roscoe Sensenich, president, American Medical Association, South Bend, Ind.; Dr. Carl O. Flagstad, chairman, council on legislation, American Dental Association, Minneapolis, Minn.; Dr. John O'Shea, president, American Optometric Association, Northampton, Mass.; and Dr. H. M. Griffith, vice president, National Economic Council, New York City. Dr. Lowell S. Goin, Los Angeles, Calif., who accompanied Dr. Sensenich, and Dr. William C. Ezell, president, American Optometric Foundation, Spartanburg, S. C., both submitted statements and are scheduled to testify at the later hearings on this legislation.

ALIENS—CLAIMS—PATENT RIGHTS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 1 heard Abner Green, executive secretary, American Committee for Protection of Foreign Born, in opposition to H. R. 10, to facilitate the deportation of aliens from the United States, to provide for the supervision and detention pending eventual deportation of aliens whose deportation cannot be readily effectuated because of reasons beyond the control of the United States, etc.

Subcommittee No. 3 agreed to report favorably to the full committee 5 private claims measures.

Subcommittee No. 4 heard the following witnesses on H. R. 3866, to provide for the protection of patent rights where enforcement against direct infringers is impracticable, to define "contributory infringement", etc.: Giles S. Rich, vice president, New York Patent Law Association; LeRoi J. Williams, counsel, Philco Co., Philadelphia, Pa.; Harold F. Watson, Washington, D. C. representing American Patent Law Association; and Stephen Cerstvik, national chairman, patent committee, Aircraft Industries Association, Washington, D. C.

FISHERIES—MARITIME

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Ordered the following bills reported to the House:

H. R. 579, to permit the motor vessel *FLB-5005* to engage in the fisheries;

H. R. 961, amended, to establish rearing ponds and a fish hatchery;

H. R. 2501, authorizing the U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service to undertake a continuing study of the shad, alosa, sapidissima of the Atlantic Coast;

H. R. 2634, amended, to permit transportation of passengers or merchandise on Canadian vessels between certain points in Alaska or in the continental U. S.;

H. R. 2740, amended, to establish rearing ponds and a fish hatchery at or near Millen, Ga.;

H. R. 3046, amended, to authorize the expansion of facilities at the Cape Vincent, N. Y., fish cultural station;

H. R. 3751, to transfer a tower located on the Lower Souris National Wildlife Refuge to the International Peace Garden, Inc., North Dakota;

H. R. 4252, to transfer the trawlers *Alaska* and *Oregon* from the RFC to the Fish and Wildlife Service;

H. J. Res. 202, to amend the act of August 8, 1946, relating to investigation and eradication of predatory sea lampreys of the Great Lakes; and

H. Res. 174, amended, requesting the Secretary of State, the Secretary of Commerce, and the Tariff Commission to investigate the domestic fishing industry.

WILDLIFE PROJECTS

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: The Subcommittee on Fisheries and Wildlife Conservation continued hearing on H. R. 3711, to amend the Migratory Bird-Hunting Stamp Act, with reference to wildlife management projects, hearing testimony of Carl D. Shoemaker, National Wildlife Federation; John H. Baker, president, National Audubon Society; Frank J. Mulkern, national director, Izaak Walton League of America; and Richard W. Westbrook, American Nature Association. Meeting adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

MOUNT VERNON PARKWAY

Committee on Public Lands: Continued consideration of H. R. 1936, authorizing the Secretary of the Interior to grant a right-of-way to Mount Vernon Highway for public road use. Speaking in opposition to the bill were Thomas H. MacDonald, Commissioner, and L. E. Boykin, Solicitor, Public Roads Administration; Maj. Gen. U. S. Grant III, former chairman of the National Capital Park and Planning Commission; Mrs. M. C. Parker, representing the Mount Vernon Citizens Association; and A. E. Demaray, Associate Director, National Park Service, Department of the Interior. Proponent witnesses were Representatives Smith of Virginia and Wickersham, and George Lambreth, who represented the Belle-View Corp. Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

FLOOD-CONTROL AUTHORIZATIONS

Committee on Public Works: Considered flood-control authorizations in Mississippi Valley and other incidental projects which are listed along with the witnesses: Old River Closure, La., Brig. Gen. P. A. Feringa, president, Mississippi River Commission, and Representative Larcade; Mississippi River in vicinty of Cape Girardeau, Mo., Col. H. G. Gee, Corps of Engineers, Representative Jones of Missouri, and R. B. Oliver, Cape Girardeau; New Harmony, Ind., and Wabash Rivers, Colonel Gee and Roy Clippinger, former Member of Congress; Ouachita River near Calion, Ark., Colonel Gee, Representative Harris, and E. B. Eppes, mayor of Calion; Mississippi River at Canton, Mo., Colonel Gee; Grand Prairie-Bayou Meto, Ark., General Feringa, Representative Norrell, Wesley R. Nelson, Bureau of Reclamation, R. E. Jecter, farmer, George Pike, Fairy Lake levee district, Thomas J. Fricke and R. F. Howe, both of the Stuttgart Chamber of Commerce; St. Francis River, Ark., Colonel Gee, Representative Gathings, Judge C. H. Bond, president, and C. N. Houck, both of the East Arkansas drainage and flood-control district, Lawrence L. Bradley, and R. B. Oliver, Little River drainage district; Cache River Basin, Ark., General Feringa, Representative Mills, Claude Gregory, Jonesboro, Ark., Judge W. A. Anderson, McCartney, Ark., Charles Frierson, attorney, Jonesboro, Ark., and Representative Gathings; Lake Ponchartrain, La., General Feringa and Representative Boggs of Louisiana; L'Anguille River, Ark., General Feringa; South Platte River and tributaries, Colorado, Wyoming, and Nebraska, Representative Hill; and Santa Anez River, Calif., Representative Bramlett and George R. Phillips, office of the Secretary of Agriculture. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

FOREIGN AID—HOUSING

Committee on Rules: Granted rule for House consideration of H. R. 4830, the foreign aid appropriation bill for 1950, waiving points of order so as to make a certain amendment thereto in order.

Also considered a rule for H. R. 4009, the Housing Act of 1949. Representatives Javits, Buchanan, and Deane spoke in favor of a rule, and Representative Cole of Kansas opposed one. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

COMMUNISM

Committee on Un-American Activities: Held executive discussion on the general subject of Communism and will consider this subject at Friday morning's session.

VETERANS' BENEFITS

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Continued hearings on service-connected disability bills with statements from Omar B. Ketchum, national legislative director, VFW, and Elmer Richter, director of claims, VFW. Representatives of AMVETS and Veterans' Administration will be heard at a later date, to be determined by the Chairman.

SOCIAL SECURITY

Committee on Ways and Means: Held further executive consideration of the proposed amendments to the Social Security Act and will continue tomorrow on this same subject.

Joint Committee Meetings

ATOMIC ENERGY

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: In a closed session, the committee heard Admiral John E. Gingrich, former Chief of Division on Security of the AEC, testify on security matters. Committee meets again tomorrow.

REORGANIZATION

Conferees on H. R. 2361, Reorganization Act of 1949, met again in executive session to work out compromise on differences between the House- and Senate-passed versions of the bill, but failed to reach agreement. Schedule for further meeting was not determined.

Thursday, May 26, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate rejected conference report on CCC charter, adopted conference report on D. C. revenue, and passed National Security Act.
Foreign aid appropriation bill passed by House.
U. S. security, lobbying, and armed services bills ordered reported to Senate.
House group concluded hearings on fair employment practices bill.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 6823–6827

Bills Introduced: Twenty-two bills and three resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1940 to S. 1961; S. J. Res. 96 and 97; and S. Res. 120. Pages 6824, 6366

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 1794, to repeal certain obsolete provisions of law relating to the naval service (S. Rept. 420);

S. 1955, to authorize certain persons to accept decorations tendered to them by the U. K. for services rendered the Allied cause during World War II (S. Rept. 421);

S. 1393, to authorize professional personnel of National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics to attend accredited graduate schools for research and study without loss of pay or leave (S. Rept. 422);

S. 1505, authorizing construction of experimental submarines by removing the $30 million ceiling on the cost of such vessels, with amendment (S. Rept. 423);

S. 1536, advance pay for certain military personnel in changing stations, with amendments (S. Rept. 424);

H. R. 2737, providing medal for persons distinguishing themselves in the Berlin air lift (S. Rept. 425); and

H. R. 3341, to authorize the attendance of the Marine Band at Little Rock, Ark. (S. Rept. 426).

Pages 6823–6824

Hoover Commission: The concluding report of the Commission on Organization of the Executive Branch of the Government was received by the Senate and referred to the Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments. Page 6823

Private Bill: H. R. 1057, private bill, was passed by the Senate, and cleared for the President. Page 6826

CCC Charter: Conference report on S. 900, to amend comprehensively the CCC charter, was rejected 33 yeas to 47 nays. Senate then asked for another conference and reappointed as conferees Senators Thomas of Oklahoma, Ellender, Anderson, Aiken, and Young. The conferees were instructed on motion of Senator Williams to insist on the provision that the Board of Directors of the CCC be subject to Senate confirmation.

Pages 6823, 6827–6856

D. C. Revenue: Senate adopted conference report on H. R. 3704, to provide additional revenue for the D. C. by levying a tax on gross sales and increasing rates on various existing taxes. This clears the bill for the President. Page 6827

Investigation of Reuther Assaults: Senate adopted S. Res. 120, expressing sense of Senate that all facilities of Department of Justice be used in investigation of attempted assassinations of Victor G. Reuther and Walter P. Reuther. Pages 6868–6871

Public Buildings: Senate asked for a conference on S. 714, providing for acquisition of sites and preparation of plans for Federal public buildings outside D. C., and appointed as conferees, Senators Chavez, Holland, Chapman, Cain, and Martin. Pages 6879–6887

National Security Act: By voice vote, Senate passed S. 1843, National Security Act amendments of 1949, after taking the following action on amendments offered from the floor:

Rejected: By 13 yeas to 63 nays, Morse amendment providing that chairman of Joint Chiefs of Staff shall have vote thereon, that his term shall be 4 years instead of 2, and that he may exercise military command over Joint Chiefs of Staff and the services; by voice vote, Morse amendment to eliminate language limiting size of Joint Staff to not more than 210 officers; by voice vote, Morse amendment respecting change in relationship of Secretary of Defense to the Munitions Board; by 21 yeas to 45 nays, Morse amendment to designate head of each of the departments of Army, Navy, and Air Force as Under Secretary rather than Secretary; by 6 yeas to 58 nays, Flanders amendment to add new section to bill regarding tactical close-support aviation; and by voice vote, Flanders amendment to authorize Commandant of Marine Corps to serve as voting member of Joint Chiefs of Staff when matters affecting Marine Corps are under consideration.

Adopted by voice vote: Morse amendment providing in certain cases for transfer of commissioned officers between different branches of the services; and Kefauver amendment allowing officials of executive branch of the Government who have been confirmed by Senate to serve at pleasure of President as additional members of National Security Council.

Pages 6856, 6861, 6865–6868, 6871–6879

Administration of CIA: H. R. 1211, extension of reciprocal trade agreements, was temporarily put aside, and Senate began consideration of H. R. 2663, to provide for administration of Central Intelligence Agency. Page 6879

Confirmations: Senate confirmed 17 civilian nominations in the diplomatic service, as well as numerous routine nominations in the armed services.

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Committee Meetings

GOVERNMENT ALCOHOL PLANTS

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Dr. G. E. Hilbert, Chief of the Bureau of Agricultural and Industrial Chemistry, Department of Agriculture, continued his testimony before the subcommittee in connection with its hearings on status and future of Government alcohol plants. He directed his testimony to industrial alcohol—its production, industrial background, and uses; its cost and markets, its competitive relationships, and its utility as motor fuel. Leroy K. Smith, Director of the Grain Branch of the PMA of the Agriculture Department, appeared to discuss present and prospective production and supplies of grain, quantities of grain used for food and feed in U. S., and amount of exports, and the quantities of grain available in course of production that are not suitable for food and feed uses. Subcommittee adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

SECOND DEFICIENCY APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee concluded marking up for reporting to the full committee H. R. 4046, second deficiency appropriations for 1949, but made no announcement of actions taken.

INTERIOR APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Continuing hearings on H. R. 3838, Interior appropriations for 1950, subcommittee received testimony from Marion Clawson and associates on funds for the Bureau of Land Management; Representative Phillips of California, and various citizens of California, appeared in support of funds for the All-American Canal in California.

INDEPENDENT OFFICES

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee, continuing hearings on H. R. 4177, independent offices appropriations, received testimony from Carl Gray and associates, all of the VA, in support of funds for the Veterans' Administration, and from Grenville Mellen and associates and various officials, all of the U. S. Maritime Commission, on funds for the Maritime Commission. Hearings continue tomorrow.

NOMINATIONS AND ARMED SERVICES BILLS REPORTED

Committee on Armed Services: In executive session, committee voted to report 896 nominations in the Army, Navy, and Air Force.

The following bills were ordered reported without amendment: H. R. 3341, to authorize the attendance of the Marine Band at Little Rock, Ark.; H. R. 2737, providing medal for persons distinguishing themselves in the Berlin airlift; and S. 1794, to repeal certain obsolete provisions of law relating to the naval service.

The following bills were voted reported with amendment: S. 1393, to authorize professional personnel of National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics to attend accredited graduate schools for research and study without loss of pay or leave; S. 1536, advance pay for certain military personnel in changing stations; and S. 1505, authorizing construction of experimental submarines by removing the $30 million ceiling on the cost of such vessels.

Committee voted to introduce and report a new bill (S. 1955) in lieu of S. 959, to authorize certain persons to accept decorations tendered them by the United Kingdom for services rendered the Allied cause during World War II.

D. C. JUVENILE COURT

Committee on the District of Columbia: Subcommittee held hearings on S. 1350, providing for an additional judge of the D. C. juvenile court, receiving testimony from the following witnesses: Corporation Counsel Vernon E. West; Lowrie Coe, president, D. C. Bar Association; Mrs. Una Rita Morris, Corporation Counsel for the juvenile court; Mrs. Olive Faircloth, president, and Margaret Earley, both of Women's Bar Association; Hilda R. Reagle, clerk of juvenile court; and Virginia Clary, division of social workers, juvenile court.

PRIVATE BILL

Committee on the District of Columbia: Subcommittee held hearings on S. 700, private bill, receiving testimony in opposition to the bill from Corporation Counsel Vernon E. West, and testimony in support of the bill from Maria G. Waksmundzka.

AIR-LINE INDUSTRY

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Amos E. Heacock, Air Transport Associates, Inc., testified before the committee in connection with its hearings in pursuance of S. Res. 50, to authorize a study of the financial condition and operating efficiency of the air-line industry. Hearings continue tomorrow.

NATURAL GAS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Leland Olds, Commissioner of the FPC, continued his testimony before the subcommittee on S. 1498, to amend

the Natural Gas Act to exempt independent producers and gatherers of natural gas. Subcommittee continues hearings on May 31.

U. S. SECURITY, AND LOBBYING

Committee on the Judiciary: In executive session, the committee voted to report with amendment, in the nature of a substitute (committee print No. 3), S. 595, relative to internal security of the U. S. by strengthening the espionage statutes; and with amendment H. Con. Res. 62, to create a Joint Committee on Lobbying Activities to make a full and complete investigation of all lobbying activities intended to influence, promote, or retard legislation, and to authorize $50,000 for that purpose.

COAL MINERS

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Marling J. Ankeny, Chief, Coal Mine Inspectio,. Bureau, Bureau of Mines, Interior Department, and James W. Haley, National Coal Association, appeared before the subcommittee to express their views on S. 1031, to give the Bureau of Mines power to have coal miners withdrawn from mines or sections of mines where imminent or immediate danger exists. Hearings continue tomorrow.

RAILWAY SWITCHING SERVICE

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Testimony in opposition to S. 1596, to authorize the Postmaster General to enter into special agreements for certain switching service by railway common carriers, was received by the subcommittee from the following witnesses: C. H. Buford, Chicago, Milwaukee, St. Paul & Pacific Railroad; W. D. Johnson, national legislative representative of the Order of Railway Conductors; John T. Corbett, national legislative representative of Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers; W. B. Irwin, operating department, Great Northern Railroad, St. Paul; John E. Tilford, Louisville & Nashville Railroad; and H. E. Mack, Missouri-Pacific Lines, St. Louis. Hearings continue tomorrow.

GENERAL APPROPRIATION BILL

Committee on Rules and Administration: Subcommittee concluded hearings on S. Con. Res. 18, to provide for consolidation of all general appropriation bills into one "general consolidated appropriation" measure, after receiving testimony in favor of the legislation from Senators Wherry and O'Conor.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Twenty-one public bills, H. R. 4861–4881; ten private bills, H. R. 4882–4891; and two resolutions, H. Con. Res. 63 and H. Res. 229, were introduced Pages 6937–6938

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

Minority views on H. R. 4754, Federal Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949 (filed on May 26) (H. Rept. 670, pt. 2);

H. R. 4000, to amend section 16 of Hawaiian Organic Act relative to disqualification of legislators (H. Rept. 680);

H. R. 2121, authorizing conveyance of abandoned school properties in Alaska to local school officials (H. Rept. 681);

H. R. 4586, to authorize the Government of the Virgin Islands or any municipality thereof to issue bonds and other obligations (H. Rept. 682);

H. R. 579, to permit the motor vessel *FLB–5005* to engage in the fisheries (H. Rept. 683);

H. R. 3751, to transfer a tower located on the Lower Souris National Wildlife Refuge to the International Peace Garden, Inc., North Dakota (H. Rept. 684);

H. Res. 174, requesting Secretary of State, Secretary of Commerce, and the Tariff Commission to investigate the domestic fishing industry (H. Rept. 685);

H. R. 2740, establishing rearing ponds and a fish hatchery at or near Millen, Ga. (H. Rept. 686);

H. R. 3046, authorizing expansion of facilities at Cape Vincent, N. Y., fish cultural station (H. Rept. 687);

H. R. 2501, authorizing the U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service to undertake a continuing study of the shad, Alosa sapidissima, of the Atlantic coast (H. Rept. 688);

H. J. Res. 202, to amend the act of August 8, 1946, relating to investigation and eradication of predatory sea lampreys of the Great Lakes (H. Rept. 689); and

H. R. 961, to establish rearing ponds and a fish hatchery on Upper Peninsula of Michigan (H. Rept. 690). Page 6937

Remount Service: Passed, with a committee amendment, H. R. 3003, to transfer the Pomona, Calif., station of the Agriculture Remount Service. Later a similar Senate bill (S. 969) was taken from the Speaker's table and amended by deleting the text of S. 969 and inserting the language of H. R. 3003, as passed by the House, following which the House vacated the proceedings of the passage of H. R. 3003 and tabled the House bill. Page 6889

D. C. Sales Tax: Adopted, by 184 yeas to 152 nays, the conference report on H. R. 3704, the District of Columbia sales tax and revenue bill. Pages 6889–6890

Foreign Aid Appropriation: Passed, by a division vote of 193 yeas to 27 nays, H. R. 4830, the foreign aid appropriation bill for 1950.

As reported, H. R. 4830 provides for two items for economic cooperation in Europe, namely $1,074,000,000 for the fourth quarter of fiscal 1949 and $3,568,470,000 for the ensuing fiscal year, or a total of $4,642,470,000 for the 15-month period; also provides $50,000,000 for assistance to Greece and Turkey; as well as $850,000,000 for government and relief in occupied areas.

Adopted an amendment allowing expenditure of entire amount in 13½ months instead of 15 months, if the President, after recommendation by the Administrator of ECA, deems it necessary. H. Res. 228, waiving points of order against this amendment was previously adopted.

Also adopted an amendment increasing the amount for government and relief in occupied areas from $850,000,000, with a $29,750,000 limitation on administrative expenses, to $925,000,000, of which amount not to exceed $45,000,000 may be spent for administrative expenses.

Rejected an amendment that would delete $25,000 for entertainment. Pages 6890–6923

Committee Meetings

PX'S–SHIP'S SERVICE INVESTIGATION

Committee on Armed Services: Special Subcommittee on Post Exchanges continued investigation relative to operation of post exchanges, ship's service stores, etc. Witnesses heard today were Roland Jones, president, American Retail Federation; E. C. Sullivan, executive vice president, Joskes Department Store, San Antonio, Tex.; Thomas Leonard, Leonard Jewelry & Music Co., National City, Calif.; P. J. McNeel, the McNeel Co., San Antonio, Tex.; Clifford Witchell, president, San Antonio Retail Merchants Association; G. I. Bailey, American National Retail Jewelers Association; and Louis Rothschild, executive director, National Association of Retail Clothiers and Furnishers. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

FEDERAL EMPLOYEES COMPENSATION

Committee on Education and Labor: Ordered the following bills reported to the House:

H. R. 3191, as amended, providing compensation for Federal employees and civilian officers suffering injuries while in the performance of their duties; and

H. J. Res. 228, authorizing an appropriation for the work of the President's Committee on National Employ the Physically Handicapped Week.

FAIR EMPLOYMENT PRACTICES

Committee on Education and Labor: The Powell subcommittee concluded public hearings on H. R. 4453, fair employment practices bill. Speaking on behalf of the legislation today were Maurice J. Tobin, Secretary of Labor; James Lipsig, Jewish Labor Committee; Samuel McCrea Cavert, Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America; John A. Davis and Marjorie McKenzie Lawson, both formerly with the national wartime FEPC; and Representative Marcantonio, who read the statement of Henry A. Wallace.

AID TO EDUCATION

Committee on Education and Labor: The Barden subcommittee at today's hearings on the subject of Federal aid to education took the testimony of the following witnesses: Clarence A. Jackson, Indianapolis, Ind., president, Council of State Chambers of Commerce; Elizabeth Clarke Babbitt; F. B. Ross, president, College of Emporia, Kansas; Harold W. Arlin, president, Mansfield Board of Education, Ohio; Harry A. Stansbury, executive manager, West Virginia State Chamber of Commerce, Huntington, W. Va.; and Warren C. Bulette, York, Pa., State Chamber of Commerce. Adjourned until next Wednesday, June 1.

NATURAL GAS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee on Petroleum and Federal Power met in a brief executive session to discuss natural gas bills, and will resume on this topic Wednesday, June 1.

FLOOD-CONTROL AUTHORIZATIONS

Committee on Public Works: Continued consideration of flood-control authorizations with Senator Magnuson speaking on the Columbia River Basin project and Green-Duwamish River, Wash., project. Testifying on Smith-Mountain Reservoir, Roanoke River, Va., were Representative Burton; Bolling Lambeth, chairman, Roanoke River Basin Association; and Thomas B. Noland, town manager, Alta Vista, Va. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

FEDERAL PROPERTY—HAWAII—HOUSING

Committee on Rules: Granted an open rule providing for 2 hours' general debate on H. R. 4754, Federal Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949. Representatives Dawson and Holifield spoke in favor of the rule.

Heard the following Members speak on behalf of a rule for H. R. 49, Hawaii statehood bill: Delegate Farrington and Representatives Peterson, Crawford, Larcade, Angell, and Hale. This rule will be considered at next Wednesday's meeting.

Resumed consideration of a rule on H. R. 4009, the Housing Act of 1949, with Representatives Church and Gwinn of New York speaking in opposition. Representative O'Hara of Illinois urged the granting of a

rule, and Representative Kearns, of Pennsylvania, discussed a housing bill which he introduced in this session. No action was taken and the committee adjourned until Wednesday, June 1.

SOCIAL SECURITY

Committee on Ways and Means: Continued consideration of the proposed amendments to the Social Security Act in executive session. Will continue on the same subject tomorrow morning.

Joint Committee Meetings

AEC INVESTIGATION

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: David E. Lilienthal, Chairman of the Atomic Energy Commission, appeared before the committee in open session to make a statement, requesting that the committee hold a full and fair hearing of the over-all policies and practices of the AEC. Committee meets again tomorrow.

Friday, May 27, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed Central Intelligence bill, and debated D. C. home rule.

Senate groups reported travel allowance and Government real property transfer bills, and opened hearings on Columbia River Valley development bills.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 6938–6947

Bills Introduced: Six bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1962 to S. 1967; S. J. Res. 98; and S. Res. 121. Pages 6942, 6944

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 595, relating to internal security of the U. S. by strengthening the espionage statutes, with amendment (S. Rept. 427);

H. R. 3005, to regulate subsistence expenses and mileage allowances of civilian officers and employees of the Government, with amendments (S. Rept. 428);

H. R. 1158, to provide for conveyance by the U. S. to the city of Marfa, Tex., of certain lands (S. Rept. 429); and

H. R. 1338, authorizing the transfer to the U. S. section, International Boundary and Waterway Commission, of a portion of Fort Brown, at Brownsville, Tex., with amendments (S. Rept. 430). Page 6942

Bill Referred: One House-passed bill was referred to appropriate committee. Page 6943

White House: Senators McKellar and Martin were appointed members of the Commission on Renovation of the Executive Mansion. Page 6939

Central Intelligence: By voice vote Senate passed H. R. 2663, to provide for administration of Central Intelligence Agency, after adopting by voice vote two Langer amendments—one to provide that CIA employees while in continental U. S. on leave shall not be available for employment except by the CIA, and the other requiring determination by Commissioner of Immigration Service as well as by Director of CIA and the Attorney General before admission of certain aliens to U. S. for permanent residence without regard to immigration laws. Pages 6947–6955

Rehabilitation Corporation: The passage of S. 930, to provide for liquidation of trusts under transfer agreements with State rural rehabilitation corporations, (passed on May 23) was reconsidered and the House was requested to return the bill to the Senate. Page 6975

D. C. Home Rule: Senate began debate on S. 1527, to provide home rule for the D. C. Pages 6962–6966, 6971–6979

Confirmation: The nomination of Maj. Gen. Philip B. Fleming (U. S. A., retired), to be member of U. S. Maritime Commission, was confirmed. Page 6980

Nominations: Seven civilian nominations were received, including those of W. Walton Butterworth, Louisiana, John D. Hickerson, Texas, George C. McGhee, Texas, Edward G. Miller, Jr., New York, and George W. Perkins, New York, all to be Assistant Secretaries of State, along with 49 nominations in the Marine Corps. Pages 6979–6980

Committee Meetings

INDEPENDENT OFFICES APPROPRIATONS

Committee on Appropriations: Continuing hearings on H. R. 4177, independent offices appropriations, subcommittee heard Maj. Gen. Philip B. Fleming, FWA Administrator, and associates, testify in support of various funds for the Federal Works Agency. Hearings continue May 31.

INTERIOR APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee continued hearings on H. R. 3838, Interior appropriations for 1950, hearing the following officials and their assistants in support of funds for their respective agencies: Marion Clawson, Director, Bureau of Land Management; James P. Davis, Director, Division of Territories and Island Possessions; and Newton B. Drury, Director, National Park Service. Dr. Lytle S. Adams appeared in support of an item on pelletized seeding under the division for soil and moisture conservation. A group of citizens from the Northwest, representing various utility groups, including city utility committees, appeared in connection with item providing funds for Government transmission lines. Hearings continue May 31.

MILITARY JUSTICE

Committee on Armed Services: In executive session the subcommittee received testimony on H. R. 4080, to establish a uniform code of military justice, from Prof. Edmund Morgan, Jr., Harvard University, and Felix Larkin, assistant general counsel, National Military Establishment. Subcommittee will meet again on the bill at a later date.

TRAVEL ALLOWANCES, AND GOVERNMENT REAL PROPERTY TRANSFERS

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: In executive session, committee voted to report favorably with perfecting amendments H. R. 3005, to regulate subsistence expenses and mileage allowances of civilian officers and employees of the Government. As approved, the Senate committee retained the figure of a $9 per diem allowance as approved by the House, but modified the House-passed effective date of the act so as to make the act become effective July 1, 1949.

The following bills were also voted approved by the committee without amendment: H. R. 1338, authorizing the transfer to the U. S. section, International Boundary and Waterway Commission, of a portion of Fort Brown, at Brownsville, Tex.;

H. R. 1158, to provide for conveyance by the U. S. to the city of Marfa, Tex., of certain lands; and

S. 1745 and S. 1746, to transfer to the Attorney General land and portions of the Vigo ordnance plant building near Terre Haute, Ind., for use in connection with U. S. penitentiary located at that city.

It was also announced after the meeting that the committee would begin hearings on May 31 on S. J. Res. 94 and S. J. Res. 97, to provide economy in Government by reducing expenditures for the fiscal year 1950 by enacting across-the-board cuts in total amounts appropriated for that year.

NOMINATIONS—VETERANS' DISABILITY

Committee on Finance: In executive session, committee ordered favorably reported the following nominations: Leo E. Trombley, to be collector of customs, Ogdensburg, N. Y.; Clara E. Sarvel, to be collector of customs, Duluth, Minn.; Addington B. Campbell, to be collector of internal revenue, first district, New Jersey; and Richard W. McSpedon, to be surveyor of customs at New York City.

Committee voted to indefinitely postpone H. R. 2108, extending provisions granting increased compensation to veterans with service-connected disabilities who have dependents, to dependent husbands.

VIRGIN ISLANDS CORPORATION

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Subcommittee held hearings on H. R. 2989, to incorporate the Virgin Islands Corporation, receiving testimony from the following two witnesses designated by the Virgin Islands Legislative Assembly to testify in support of the bill: Walter Hodge, member of the St. Croix Municipal Council, and Carlos Downing, St. Thomas and St. John Municipal Council. Alexander Morehead, former chairman of the St. Croix Municipal Council and now a businessman in the Virgin Islands, also appeared in support of the bill.

AIR-LINE INDUSTRY

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Continuing hearings in pursuance of S. Res. 50, to authorize a study of the financial condition and operating efficiency of the air-line industry, the committee received testimony on the subject from Harry R. Playford, president, U. S. Air Lines, and Robert W. Prescott, president, Flying Tiger Lines, and vice president, Air Freight Association. Committee meets again May 31.

FEDERAL DISTRICT JUDGE

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee held routine hearings on the nomination of Abraham Benjamin Conger to be U. S. district judge for the middle district of Georgia. No opposition witnesses appeared and the nomination will be reported to the full committee.

HOSPITAL CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee met in executive session to consider S. 614, to amend the Hospital Survey and Construction Act, increasing amounts of funds and defining distribution, but took no action. Subcommittee will meet again May 31.

COAL MINERS

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: S. C. Linkous, Pond Creek Coal Co., Island Creek Coal Co., and Mariana Smokeless Coal Co., appeared before the subcommittee to express his views on S. 1031, to give the Bureau of Mines power to have coal miners withdrawn from mines or sections of mines where imminent or immediate danger exists. Hearings continue May 31.

RAILWAY SWITCHING SERVICE

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Continuing hearings on S. 1596, to authorize the Postmaster General to enter into special agreements for certain switching service by railway common carriers, the subcommittee heard further opposition testimony to the bill by W. J. Treloar, manager, mail and express traffic, New York Central System, C. A. Miller, American Short Line Railroad Association, and Gurnsey Orcutt, Pennsylvania Railroad.

Frank J. Delany, Solicitor, and Arne C. Wiprud, Associate Solicitor, both of the Post Office Department, appeared in support of the bill.

COLUMBIA RIVER VALLEY

Committee on Public Works: Committee opened hearings on the various Columbia River Valley development bills (S. 1595, 1631, 1632, and 1645) with Senator Magnuson testifying in support of his own bill S. 1645, to establish a Columbia Valley Administration, to achieve unified water control and resource conservation and development on the Columbia River.

Maj. Gen. Lewis A. Pick, Chief of Engineers, made a general statement to the committee as to existing projects in the Columbia River Valley under development by the Corps of Engineers, and gave an explanation of the recently completed 308 report. Committee meets again May 31.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Ten public bills, H. R. 4892–4901; five private bills, H. R. 4902–4907, and two resolutions, H. Res. 230 and 231, were introduced. Pages 6980, 6997

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 55, to authorize completion of construction and development of Eden project, Wyoming (H. Rept. 691);

H. R. 4252, transferring the trawlers *Alaska* and *Oregon* from the RFC to the Fish and Wildlife Service (H. Rept. 692);

H. Res. 230, providing for consideration of, and 2 hours of debate on, H. R. 4754, to simplify the procurement, utilization, and disposal of Government property, to reorganize certain agencies of the Government (H. Rept. 693); and

H. R. 3699, to amend Federal Farm Loan Act, to modify the limitations on Federal land bank loans to any one borrower; and for other purposes (H. Rept. 694). Page 6997

Pecos River Compact: Agreed to Senate amendment to H. R. 3334, to grant the consent of the United States to the compact between Texas and New Mexico providing for division of waters of the Pecos River. Page 6980

Mining Claims: Disagreed to Senate amendment to H. R. 1754, to provide for the suspension of annual assessment work on mining claims held by location in the United States; requested a conference with the Senate; and appointed Representatives Engle of California, Murdock, Regan, Lemke, and Barrett of Wyoming conferees on the part of the House. Page 6980

Public Buildings: Insisted on its amendment to S. 714, providing for acquisition of sites and preparation of plans for Federal public buildings outside the District of Columbia; agreed to a conference requested by the Senate; and appointed Representatives Whittington, Buckley of New York, Larcade, Dondero, and Angell conferees on the part of the House. Pages 6980–6981

Committee Meetings

ALASKA EXPERIMENT STATIONS

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee No. 2 approved the following bills for reporting to the full committee: H. R. 133, to increase appropriations for agricultural experiment stations in Alaska; H. R. 212, to authorize more appropriations for extension service operations of the Department of Agriculture in Alaska; H. R. 215, to extend the benefits under the Farm Credit Act of 1937 to farmers in Alaska; H. R. 3680, private quit-claim bill; and S. 1089, to provide for inclusion of filberts under marketing agreements and orders, amended so as to also include almonds. E. C. Elting, Associate Chief, Office of Experiment Stations, and H. L. Irwin, director of the Alaska Experiment Station, both spoke on H. R. 133; and Walter H. Conway, Assistant Director of Extension Work, spoke on H. R. 212. Testifying on H. R. 215 were Governor I. W. Duggan, Farm Credit Administration, and Robert L. Farrington, representative of Land Bank Commissioner. Adjourned subject to the call of the Chair.

PX'S–SHIP'S SERVICE INVESTIGATION

Committee on Armed Services: Witnesses testifying before the Special Subcommittee on Post Exchanges in its investigation relative to operation of post exchanges, ship's service stores, etc., were Leon Engel, Baltimore, Md., president, National Wholesale Jewelers Association; William Cart, Jr., Cart Jewelers, Charleston, S C.; and Richard M. Johnson, Johnson's Men's Wear, Joseph M. Axelrod, Arundel Appliances, and T. Oswald Tilghman, jeweler, all of Annapolis, Md. Hearings will be resumed on June 1.

ADJUSTMENT OF ROYALTIES

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 4 heard the following witnesses on H. R. 2477, to provide for the adjustment of royalties and like charges for the use of inventions for the benefit of or by the United States: Stephen Cerstvik, national chairman, patent committee, Aircraft Industries Association of America; Roy C. Hackley, Esq., Chief of Patent Section, Department of Justice; Robert S. Milams and Capt. George Robillard, Navy Department.

LIBERTY SHIPS

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Subcommittee on Maritime Affairs held hearings on H. R. 3419, to amend the Merchant Ship Sales Act of 1946 relative to Liberty ships, and heard the testimony of the following witnesses: T. J. Stevenson, Sr., president, T. J. Stevenson & Co., Inc.; Grenville Mellen, Acting Chairman, U. S. Maritime Commission; Raymond S. McKeough, Commissioner, U. S. Maritime Commission; Frazer Bailey, president, National Federation of American Shipping; H. Maurice Fridlund, representing American President Lines; Leslie C. Krusen, counsel for Charles Kurz & Co., Inc., Philadelphia, Pa.; Frank Youngman, representing Mississippi Shipping Co., Inc.; Albert E. Rice, assistant general counsel, American Merchant Marine Institute; Bon Geaslin, general counsel, Waterman Steamship Co., and J. C. Crawley, Prudential Steamship Co., New York City. Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

POST OFFICE EXPENSES—SUSPENSIONS

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Thornberry subcommittee approved for reporting to the full committee H. R. 2841, authorizing certain administrative expenses in the Post Office Department.

Davis subcommittee approved for reporting to the full committee H. R. 3384, making provisions with respect to suspensions without pay of Federal employees applicable only to suspensions for more than 30 days.

LAND-DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS

Committee on Public Lands: Ordered the following bills reported to the House:

H. R. 4424, to provide for settlement of parts of Alaska by war veterans, amended;

H. R. 4070, to cancel drainage costs on the Uintah Indian irrigation project;

H. R. 3895, to declare that the U. S. holds certain lands in trust for Minnesota Chippewa Tribe;

H. R. 3788, to authorize the Interior Department to construct and operate the Vermejo recreation project in New Mexico;

H. R. 2610, regarding the Midwakanton Sioux Indians of Minnesota, amended; and

S. 55, to authorize completion and development of the Eden project in Wyoming, amended.

FLOOD-CONTROL AUTHORIZATIONS

Committee on Public Works: At today's hearings on flood-control authorizations the following projects were considered with the listed witnesses speaking on same: Genesee River, N. Y., Representative Reed of New York; Kawainui Swamp, T. H., Delegate Farrington; Beardstown and Quincy, Ill., Mississippi River, Representative Simpson of Illinois; U. S. Study Commission on the Arkansas-White and Red River Basins, Senator Kerr and Representative Wilson of Oklahoma speaking in favor, and Representatives Allen of Louisiana and Brooks speaking in opposition along with L. R. Mathias, executive secretary, Red River Valley Association, and Lucy Chandler, president, board of directors, Red River-Atchafalaya levee district; Garrison Dam, Missouri River, N. Dak., Representatives Lemke and Burdick, along with Col. H. C. Gee, Corps of Engineers; and Albeni Falls, Idaho, Representative White of Idaho.

ESPIONAGE

Committee on Un-American Activities: Continued executive consideration of Communist-espionage activities.

SOCIAL SECURITY

Committee on Ways and Means: Worked on proposed amendments to the Social Security Act. Will resume on this subject next Tuesday.

Joint Committee Meetings

ATOMIC ENERGY

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Following an executive session, the committee released a report prepared by one of its subcommittees which had been appointed to inquire into the natural gas pipe line proposed for the atomic energy plant at Oak Ridge, Tenn.

Tuesday, May 31, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed D. C. home-rule bill.

Bill amending Contract Settlement Act passed by House.

Second deficiency appropriations, and bills on physically handicapped, Federal employees, and cotton statistics were ordered reported to Senate.

B-36 procurement inquiry resolution adopted by House committee.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 6998–7005

Bills Introduced: Seven bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 1968 to S. 1974; and S. Res. 122. Page 7001

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. R. 4583, relating to telephone and telegraph service and clerk hire for Members of the House of Representatives, with amendments (no written report); and

S. Res. 122, authorizing a gratuity to the widow of Edwin H. Hill, late an employee of the Senate (no written report). Page 7001

Mining Claims: Senate agreed to conference on H. R. 1754, to provide for the suspension of annual assessment work on mining claims held by location in the U. S., and appointed as conferees Senators O'Mahoney, Murray, Downey, Millikin, and Cordon. Page 7005

Senate Employee: S. Res. 122, providing a gratuity to the widow of Edwin H. Hill, late an employee of the Senate, was adopted. Page 7001

House Employees: H. R. 4583, relating to telephone and telegraph service and clerk hire for Members of the House of Representatives, was passed with committee amendments. Page 7001

St. Croix Monument: Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs was discharged from further consideration of H. R. 1357, to establish the St. Croix Island National Monument, Maine, and the bill was passed. Page 7005

D. C. Home Rule: By voice vote, Senate passed S. 1527, to provide home rule for the District of Columbia, after rejecting by 27 yeas to 49 nays Eastland-Johnston amendment providing for referenda on any changes in segregation policy in D. C. Pages 7010–7018

Pricing Practices: S. 1008, to confirm right of individual companies to use certain pricing practices during a specified period (until July 1, 1950) for purpose of engaging in competition in good faith, was debated, and committee amendments were adopted. Pages 7018–7033

Confirmations: Four civilian nominations were confirmed by Senate. Page 7033

Nominations: Two civilian nominations were received, including that of William C. Foster, to be Deputy Administrator for ECA, and Milton Katz, to be deputy U. S. representative in Europe with the rank of ambassador. Pages 7033–7034

Committee Meetings

FORESTRY BILLS

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Subcommittee continued hearings on pending forestry bills, receiving testimony from Senator Aiken in support of S. 1458 and H. R. 2296, authorizing appropriations to enable Secretary of Agriculture to cooperate with States relating to forest-fire control. Senator Gurney urged cooperation with private nurserymen in providing seedlings for the reforestation program. The following spoke in support of S. J. Res. 24, authorizing $30,000,000 annually for timber access roads to and in the national forests: Senator Morse; J. M. Brown, Roads Division, and George Kephart, Forestry Division, both of the Bureau of Indian Affairs, Interior Department; and C. M. Granger and Howard Jones, both of the Forest Service, Department of Agriculture. Mr. Granger also appeared in support of S. 2, receipts from national forests to be used for range improvements.

SECOND DEFICIENCY APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: In executive session, the committee voted to report with amendment H. R. 4046, second deficiency appropriations for 1949. As approved, the bill would appropriate $859,175,510, or an increase of $188,105,837 over the House-approved figure. As the bill passed the House it would appropriate $671,069,672. The total budget estimates on which the appropriations are based total $915,924,334. The Senate committee considered supplemental and deficiency estimates totaling $185,361,737, which were sent to the Senate after the bill had passed the House.

STATE, JUSTICE, COMMERCE, AND JUDICIARY APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Committee met in executive session to work on reporting to the Senate H. R. 4016, State, Justice, Commerce, and Judiciary appropriations. It did not conclude its work, and will meet again tomorrow.

INTERIOR APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Continuing hearings on H. R. 3838, Interior appropriations for 1950, subcommittee received testimony from Commissioner John R. Nichols, and assistants, in support of funds for the Bureau of Indian Affairs. Hearings continue tomorrow.

INDEPENDENT OFFICES APPROPRIATIONS—AEC

Committee on Appropriations: Continuing hearings on H. R. 4177, independent offices appropriations, subcommittee met in executive session to consider appropriations for the Atomic Energy Commission. Hearings continue tomorrow.

PRIVATE BILL

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee held hearings on S. 780, private bill.

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES REDUCTION

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Committee opened hearings on S. J. Res. 94, to provide economy in Government by reducing expenditures for the fiscal year 1950 in an aggregate equal to at least 5 percent of total amounts appropriated for that year, but restricting reduction of any item by more than 20 percent, and S. J. Res. 97, to reduce Government expenditures for 1950, balance the budget, avert an increase in taxes or rise in the national debt, and maintain a sound national fiscal policy for U. S., receiving testimony generally in support of such legislation from four Senators. Senators Reed, Tydings, and O'Conor appeared in support of S. J. Res. 94. Senator Ferguson appeared in support of S. J. Res. 97. Hearings continue tomorrow, and the members of the House Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments have been invited to participate in the hearings.

AIR-LINE INDUSTRY

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Continuing hearings in pursuance of S. Res. 50, to authorize a study of the financial condition and operating efficiency of the air-line industry, the committee received testimony from Roscoe Turner, of the Roscoe Turner Aeronautical Corp., and F. T. Higgins, Wisconsin-Central Air Lines, on the difficulty of obtaining finances, operation problems of feeder air lines, joint use of air-line facilities, including ticket offices, and length of certificates issued feeder air lines. Mr. Higgins also discussed aids to navigation on feeder routes. Hearings continue Thursday.

NATURAL GAS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Leland Olds, Commissioner of FPC, concluded his testimony before the subcommittee on S. 1498, to amend the Natural Gas Act to exempt independent producers and gatherers of natural gas. David M. Proctor, city counsel of Kansas City, Mo., appeared to testify in opposition to the bill.

WAR LOSSES

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee held hearings on S. 873 and H. R. 3436, to authorize relief in cases where Government has actual knowledge of losses which occurred under war contract, with the following witnesses testifying generally in support of the legislation, but each of them suggested various amendments: Linton M. Collins and Steve Angland, both attorneys, Washington, D. C.; John S. McKee, Lake States Engineering Co., Chicago; and Thomas D. Caldwell, counsel for McGann Manufacturing Co., York, Pa.

COAL MINERS

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee concluded hearings on S. 1031, to give the Bureau of Mines power to have coal miners withdrawn from mines or sections of mines where imminent or immediate danger exists, after receiving testimony from John L. Lewis, UMW, requesting that the bill be enacted.

NATIONAL HEALTH

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee continued hearings on pending national health bills (S. 1106, S. 1456, S. 1581, and S. 1679), with Senator Lodge appearing in behalf of his own bill, S. 1106, to amend the Public Health Service Act so as to provide assistance to the States in furnishing certain medical aid to needy and other individuals. The following witnesses appeared to express their views on all of the bills: Nelson H. Cruikshank, director, social insurance activities, AFL; Paul R. Hawley, blue cross commission of the American Hospital Association and the blue shield commission of Associated Medical Care Plans; and E. A. van Steenwyk, the Associated Hospital Service of Philadelphia. Hearings continue tomorrow.

POSTMASTERS, PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED, FEDERAL EMPLOYEES, STATISTICS

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: In executive session, the committee received reports from its subcommittees on the following bills, and unanimously reported them favorably to the Senate:

S. 458, providing for a survey of physically handicapped persons;

S. 689, to permit certain postal employees or substitute postal employees to receive credit for military service;

H. R. 3198, to provide for use of Federal employees for field work by the Bureau of the Census; and

H. R. 3444, to improve the administration of activities relating to collection of cotton statistics.

It approved for reporting favorably 574 nominations for postmasterships. The nomination of Harrison Parkman, Kansas, to be purchasing agent of the Post Office Department, was also voted reported favorably.

COLUMBIA RIVER VALLEY

Committee on Public Works: Michael W. Straus, Bureau of Reclamation, appeared before the committee in connection with its hearings on the Columbia River Valley development bills (S. 1595, 1631, 1632, and 1645) to submit testimony as to what has been done in the Columbia Valley for plans for future development under the comprehensive plan of the Corps of Engineers and the Bureau of Reclamation. Hearings continue tomorrow.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Twenty-four public bills, H. R. 4908–4931, were introduced. Page 7044

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

Thirteen private bills, H. R. 1446, 1505, 1701, 4097, 2471, 4792, 4807, 1127, 1466 1625, 1975, 2084, and 2709 (H. Repts. 695–707, respectively);

H. R. 4332, to amend National Bank Act and Bretton Woods Agreement Act, to facilitate the marketing of securities of the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (H. Rept. 708);

H. R. 976, to stimulate exploration, production, and conservation of strategic and critical ores, metals, and minerals (H. Rept. 709);

H. R. 2610, to bring the Midwakanton Sioux Indians of the State of Minnesota within the jurisdiction of the Indian Reorganization Act of 1934 (H. Rept. 710);

H. R. 2783, to authorize Secretary of the Interior to convey a certain parcel of land, with improvements, to city of Alpena, Mich. (H. Rept. 711);

S. 353, to protect certain scenic values within the Santa Fe National Forest, N. Mex. (H. Rept. 712); and

H. R. 2634, to allow Canadian vessels to provide service between certain Alaskan cities and U. S. (H. Rept. 713). Pages 7043–7044

Committee Investigations: Adopted, with committee amendments, H. Res. 215, authorizing the Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries to conduct thorough studies and investigations of all matters coming within the jurisdiction of such committee; the resolution also grants subpena powers to committee. Pages 7036–7038

Contract Settlement: Passed, H. R. 834, to amend the Contract Settlement Act of 1944, to provide fair compensation to persons contracting to deliver strategic minerals or metals in case of failure to recover reasonable costs. The purpose of this bill is to compensate persons who, without fault or negligence, suffered losses in attempting to supply certain strategic or critical minerals or metals for the war effort. Adopted an amendment designed to prevent claims now in litigation from being prejudiced by the passage of H. R. 834.

H. Res. 220, the rule for consideration of H. R. 834, was previously adopted. Pages 7038–7043

Committee Meetings

FARM PROGRAM

Committee on Agriculture: Pace special subcommittee on the national farm program continued executive discussions on that subject. Will continue on Thursday.

B-36 INQUIRY

Committee on Armed Services: Adopted a resolution authorizing the chairman of the committee to request subpena authority and appropriation with which to conduct the B-36 procurement inquiry.

MEDICAL AND DENTAL CORPS, NAVY—ROTC

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee No. 1 approved for reporting to the full committee H. R. 4516, to keep Medical and Dental Corps captains of the Navy on active duty. Testifying on this measure were Rear Adm. T. L. Sprague, Chief, Bureau of Naval Personnel, and Rear Adm. Clifford A. Swanson, Chief, Bureau of Medicine and Surgery.

Also considered, but deferred action on, H. R. 4574, permitting use of AUS personnel to train civilian components and ROTC. Maj. Gen. John E. Dahlquist, Personnel and Administration Division, spoke on this bill.

ANTIPOLL TAX

Committee on Banking and Currency: Subcommittee on Elections resumed consideration of anti-poll-tax legislation with Representative Pickett completing his testimony on the subject. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

FLAG DAY—JUDGES

Committee on the Judiciary: Ordered reported favorably to the House:

H. J. Res. 170, designating June 14 as Flag Day;

H. R. 4861, amended, to authorize appointment of 23 additional circuit and district judges;

Six private immigration bills, and

Eight private claims bills.

AMERICAN MERCHANT MARINE

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: The Subcommittee on Maritime Affairs considered a clean bill submitted in lieu of H. R. 3289, to promote the development and maintenance of the American merchant marine, and H. R. 3337, to encourage investment in the American merchant marine. Witnesses testifying today were Frazer Bailey, president, National Federation of American Shipping; George Morgan, president, Association of American Ship Owners; Albert B. Stapp, national chairman, merchant marine committee, the American Legion; and L. R. Sanford, executive vice president, Shipbuilders Council of America. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

OVERTIME PAYMENTS

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Thornberry subcommittee considered, but took no action on, H. R. 459, to authorize the payment to certain employees of the Bureau of Animal Industry for overtime duty. Heard the following witnesses: K. A. Butler, Assistant Chief, Robert Harris, and Dr. O. E. Herl, acting head of Virus Serum and Toxin Division, all of the Bureau of Animal Industry, Department of Agriculture; Ismar Baruch, Chief of Personnel Classification Division, Civil Service Commission; Col. Charles I. Stengle, legislative representative, American Federation of Government Employees; and Tom Walters, operations director, Government Employees Council.

CENTRAL ARIZONA PROJECT

Committee on Public Lands: The Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation continued hearings on H. R. 934, to authorize construction of dams on the Colorado River at Bridge Canyon, Ariz., with Raymond Matthew and M. J. Dowd, consulting engineers, Imperial irrigation district, California, both opposing the bill. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

INDIAN BILLS

Committee on Public Lands: The Subcommittee on Indian Affairs approved three private patent-in-fee bills, all amended, as follows: H. R. 2592, 2706, and 2920. Deferred action on two others, H. R. 2919 and 3884. Representative Case of South Dakota testified on behalf of the bills and William Zimmerman, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Department of the Interior, spoke against them.

Later considered, but took no action on, H. R. 4616, regarding Indian lands in Agua Caliente, Calif. The following witnesses testified in favor of the bill: Representative Phillips of California; Mrs. Ruth C. Foutz, Los Angeles, Calif.; and L. N. Stevens and William H. Flanery, both of the Department of the Interior. Oliver O. Clark, attorney, of Los Angeles, Calif., spoke against the measure. Hearings will be continued on this subject tomorrow, along with other bills.

FLOOD CONTROL—RIVER AND HARBOR PROJECTS

Committee on Public Works: Continued hearings on flood control and river and harbor authorizations and heard the testimony of the listed witnesses on the following projects: Trinity River, Tex., Dallas and Fort Worth, Col. H. C. Gee, Corps of Engineers, and Representatives Wilson and Lucas, both of Texas. Pascagoula Harbor, Dog River Cut-off, Miss., Col. Wayne S. Moore, resident member, Board of Engineers for Rivers and Harbors, and Representative Colmer. Fly Creek, Fairhope, Ala., Colonel Moore and Representative Grant of Alabama. Brazos Island Harbor, Tex., Colonel Moore and Representative Bentsen. Colonel Moore also testified on all of the following projects: James River, Va.; Kings Creek, Va.; Charlotte Harbor, Fla.; La Grange Bayou, Fla.; Galveston Bay, Tex.; Toledo Harbor, Ohio; Hudson Harbor, Wis.; Freeport Harbor, Tex.; Grand Marais Harbor, Minn.; and Arthur Kill, N. Y. and N. J. Will meet tomorrow on soil-conservation program and Garrison Dam, Missouri River.

SOCIAL SECURITY

Committee on Ways and Means: Continued consideration of the proposed amendments to the Social Security Act in an executive session and will meet on this subject again tomorrow.

Joint Committee Meetings

ATOMIC ENERGY

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Committee met in executive session but made no announcement of action taken. Committee meets tomorrow in open session to hear AEC Chairman Lilienthal.

Wednesday, June 1, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed pricing practices bill.
House passed veterans' pension bill.
State, Justice, Commerce, and Judiciary appropriations reported to Senate.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 7045–7048

Bills Introduced: One resolution was introduced, as follows: S. J. Res. 99. Pages 7046–7047

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 1559, to establish a National Monetary Commission (S. Rept. 431);

H. R. 4046, second deficiency appropriations for 1949, with amendments (S. Rept. 432);

S. 1745 and S. 1746, to transfer to the Attorney General land and portions of the Vigo ordnance plant building near Terre Haute, Ind., for use in connection with U. S. penitentiary located at that city (S. Repts. 433 and 434);

H. R. 4016, State, Justice, Commerce, and Judiciary appropriations for 1950, with amendments (S. Rept. 435); and

S. Res. 117, authorizing expenditure of additional $10,000 by Labor and Public Welfare Committee in carrying out essential activities (no written report); referred to Committee on Rules and Administration. Page 7046

Bill Placed on Calendar: H. R. 834, to amend the Contract Settlement Act of 1944, to provide fair compensation to persons contracting to deliver strategic minerals or metals in case of failure to recover reasonable costs, was placed on the calendar. Page 7047

Pricing Practices: Senate passed by voice vote S. 1008, to confirm right of individual companies to use certain pricing practices during a specified period (until July 1, 1950) for purpose of engaging in competition in good faith, after adopting a substitute amendment by Senator O'Mahoney (the language of S. 1974, to define the application of the Federal Trade Commission Act and the Clayton Act to certain pricing practices), as amended, in lieu of the language of S. 1008. Pages 7049–7057, 7064–7093

Confirmations: 584 civilian nominations were confirmed, including 583 postmasters. Pages 7093–7096

Committee Meetings

INDEPENDENT OFFICES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Comptroller General Lindsay Warren, and assistants, appeared before the subcommittee in connection with its hearings on H. R. 4177, independent offices appropriations, to testify in behalf of funds for the GAO. Hearings continue tomorrow.

INTERIOR APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee continued hearings on H. R. 3838, Interior appropriations for 1950, with Paul J. Raver, Administrator, and assistants, all of the Bonneville Power Administration, testifying on funds for the Bonneville Power Administration.

In an afternoon session, the subcommittee heard the following witnesses discuss appropriations for the Bonneville Power Administration: Representative Jackson of Washington, accompanied by L. J. Parker, and V. M. Cleaveland, manager, Clark County, Public Utility, Vancouver, Wash.; C. T. Hurd, manager, Public Utility District No. 1, Cowlitz County, Wash.; Carl Raines, representing city of Canby, Oreg.; five witnesses representing REA group (Clarence R. Belknap, Blue River, Oreg.; Howard Babcock, Dillon, Mont.; John Silbarnagel, Corvallis, Oreg.; Harold R. Jones, Lebanon, Oreg.; and Clyde T. Ellis, Washington, D. C.); Don Treloar, Flathead Electric Cooperative, Kalispell, Mont.; and J. J. Flaherty, Montana Chamber of Commerce, Great Falls, Mont. Hearings continue tomorrow.

STATE, JUSTICE, COMMERCE, AND JUDICIARY APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: In executive session, committee voted to report with amendment H. R. 4016, State, Justice, Commerce, and Judiciary appropriations for 1950. As approved by the committee, the bill would appropriate $671,782,281 for the three departments and the Judiciary, which is $12,833,821 below the figure as approved by the House. As passed by the House, the bill would appropriate $684,616,102. The regular and supplemental estimates on which the appropriations are based total $740,362,956.

BATTLE OF BULGE—MILITARY TRIALS

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee continued its hearings on S. Res. 42, to investigate military trials of persons who massacred American soldiers in the Battle of the Bulge, with the following witnesses testifying: Col. C. B. Mickelwait and Col. C. E. Straight, both of JAG Corps; Lt. Col. Charles J. Perry, investigator at the Malmedy trials; Paul C. Goth, interpreter at the trials; and James Finucane, National Council for the Prevention of War. Hearings continue tomorrow.

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES REDUCTION

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Continuing hearings on S. J. Res. 94 and S. J. Res. 97, to provide economy in Government by reducing expenditures for the fiscal year 1950 by enacting across-the-board cuts in total amounts appropriated for that year, the committee heard Senator Wherry testify in support of his bill, S. J. Res. 97. He told the committee that "higher taxes, deficit-spending, and increased national debt, which now amounts to a quarter of a trillion dollars, are alternatives that should be rejected" and that "a balanced budget, a budget in which expenditures and income are balanced, is the only sound, sensible course."

Frederick J. Lawson, Assistant Director, Bureau of the Budget, also testified discussing some of the problems involved and questions raised by these resolutions. Hearings continue tomorrow.

INTERNATIONAL WHEAT AGREEMENT

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee met in executive session to discuss the international wheat agreement, but failed to reach a final decision. Committee will meet again tomorrow.

IMMIGRATION—SUBVERSIVE ALIENS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee heard Attorney General Clark and Assistant Secretary of State Peurifoy in answer to subpenas in connection with the subcommittee's hearings on S. 1694 and S. 1832, to amend the Immigration Act of 1918, to provide for exclusion and deportation of subversive aliens. Subcommittee meets again June 7.

NATIONAL HEALTH

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee on Health Legislation continued its hearings on pending national health bills (S. 1106, S. 1456, S. 1581, and S. 1679), with the following witnesses expressing their views on the pending bills: James B. Carey, secretary-treasurer, CIO; Anna Hilton, Camden, N. J.; John H. Hayes, council on government relations, American Hospital Association; John H. Olsen, past president, American Protestant Hospital Association; Rt. Rev. George Lewis Smith, president, Catholic Hospital Association; and Rev. Donald A. McGowan, bureau of health and hospitals, National Catholic Welfare Conference. Hearings continue tomorrow.

COLUMBIA RIVER VALLEY

Committee on Public Works: Secretary of Interior Krug appeared before the committee in connection with its hearings on the Columbia River Valley development bills (S. 1595, 1631, 1632, and 1645), and testified to the effect that CVA would carry out responsibilities of the Federal Government for development of resources of the Pacific Northwest in a more effective, cheaper, and speedier fashion than is now the case. R. J. Newell, regional director, Bureau of Reclamation, also testified. Committee adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Twenty public bills, H. R. 4932–4951; eleven private bills, H. R. 4952–4962; and six resolutions, H. J. Res. 263 and 264, and H. Res. 233–236, were introduced. Page 7121

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. R. 3895, to declare that the U. S. holds certain lands in trust for the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe (H. Rept. 714);

H. R. 3788, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to construct, operate, and maintain the Vermejo reclamation project, New Mexico (H. Rept. 715);

H. R. 4070, to cancel drainage charges against certain lands within the Uintah Indian irrigation project, Utah (H. Rept. 716); and

H. R. 3680, to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to quitclaim 5.1 acres of land in Washington County, Miss., to the Mississippi State College (H. Rept. 717). Pages 7120–7121

Moral Rearmament: Adopted H. Res. 232, providing for creation of a committee of five Members of the House of Representatives to attend, as observers, the World Assembly for Moral Rearmament in Switzerland June 4–12. Pages 7096–7097

Pension: After rejecting a recommital motion, the House passed, 365 yeas to 27 nays, H. R. 4617, to liberalize the requirement for payment of pension in certain cases to veterans and their widows and children. A committee amendment to set up an unemployability requisite in addition to the age and income requirements was rejected. Pages 7097–7115

Rehabilitation Corporations: Complied with request of Senate for return of S. 930, to provide for liquidation of trusts under transfer agreements with State rural rehabilitation corporations. Page 7115

Commodity Credit Corporation: Further insisted on its amendment to S. 900, to amend the Commodity Credit Corporation Charter Act and the Strategic and Critical Materials Stock Piling Act; agreed to further

conference with the Senate; and appointed Representatives Spence, Brown of Georgia, Patman, Monroney, Wolcott, Gamble, and Kunkel as conferees on the part of the House. Page 7115

Displaced Persons: Adopted H. Res. 226, which provides for consideration of, and 2 hours of debate on, H. R. 4567, to amend the Displaced Persons Act of 1948. Consideration of H. R. 4567 will commence Thursday. Pages 7115–7117

Civil Functions, Army: Disagreed to Senate amendments to H. R. 3734, the Army civil functions appropriation bill for 1950; agreed to conference requested by Senate; and appointed Representatives Cannon, Kerr, Rabaut, Taber, and Wigglesworth as conferees on the part of the House. Pages 7117–7118

Bill Referred: S. 1527, to provide home rule for the District of Columbia, passed by the Senate on May 31, was referred to the Committee on the District of Columbia. Page 7120

Committee Meetings

ALASKA—LANDS—FORESTS—MARKETING AGREEMENTS

Committee on Agriculture: Voted to report the following bills to the House:

H. R. 133, to give Alaska a full share of appropriations for agricultural experiment station work;

H. R. 212, amended, to extend to Alaska the full benefits of the legislation pertaining to the establishment and operation of agricultural extension service programs;

H. R. 3680, authorizing the Secretary of Agriculture to reconvey to Mississippi State College 5 acres of land deeded to the Federal Government in 1934 for experimental purposes;

H. R. 3982, authorizing the Secretary of Agriculture to sell to a Tucson, Ariz., hospital approximately 15 acres of land and to exchange with the State of Arizona about 870 acres of land in order to consolidate the Southwestern Forest and Range Experiment Station;

H. R. 4535, giving congressional approval to an interstate forest fire protection compact for the New England States and New York;

H. R. 4800, amended, authorizing and directing the Secretary of Agriculture to dispose of mineral rights retained by the Government in the sale of certain farm lands; and

S. 1089, amended, adding filberts and almonds to those commodities for which marketing agreements may be established and marketing orders issued.

Committee will meet again tomorrow to consider other bills.

PX'S-SHIP'S SERVICE INVESTIGATION

Committee on Armed Services: The Special Subcommittee on Post Exchanges resumed its investigation relative to operation of post exchanges, ship's service stores, etc., and heard the testimony of the following witnesses: Arthur R. Kirby, Quantico, Va.; George Frates, National Association of Retail Druggists, Washington, D. C.; and M. L. Nee, P. J. Nee Furniture Co., Washington, D. C. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

MILITARY DUTIES—YOUTH TOURNAMENTS

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee No. 1 considered, but took no action on, the following bills: H. R. 4767, clarifying active duty status of certain officers of the Army and Air Force; H. R. 4574, authorizing use of AUS personnel for duties heretofore prescribed by law for the Regular Army; and H. R. 4646, authorizing the Army to lend certain property to national veterans' organizations for use at youth tournaments. Speaking on the first-mentioned bill were Representative Curtis; Col. John Oliver, Reserve Officers Association; and Maj. Gen. John E. Dahlquist, Department of the Army, and Col. C. B. Hutchinson, Department of the Army, and Omar Ketchum, VFW, testified on the last-mentioned bill. Hearings will be continued tomorrow morning on these three measures.

PENSION INCREASE

Committee on the District of Columbia: Subcommittee on Public Service, Streets, and Traffic held hearings on H. R. 2021, to provide increased pensions for widows and children of deceased members of the D. C. Police and Fire Departments. The following witnesses testified on behalf of the bill: Vernon West, Corporation Counsel, who suggested an amendment; Inspector Clarence H. Lutz, representing Maj. Robert J. Barrett, Superintendent of the Metropolitan Police; Chief Engineer Clement Murphy, D. C. Fire Department, who urged a standard pension of $125 a month for all widows: and R. A. Nielson, who represented the Policemen's Association. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

COMMUNITY RECREATION SERVICES

Committee on Education and Labor: The Kelley subcommittee opened hearings on H. R. 2026, Community Recreation Services Act. Today's witnesses were Representatives Patten and Miller of California; Oscar R. Ewing, Administrator, FSA; Tam Deering, Tam Deering & Associates, recreation consultants; Philip Schiff, American Association of Group Workers and National Association of Jewish Center Workers; and Ott Romney, director, physical education and athletics, University of West Virginia. Hearings will be continued tomorrow morning.

AID TO EDUCATION

Committee on Education and Labor: Barden subcommittee continued hearings on Federal-aid-to-education legislation and took the testimony of the following witnesses: Dr. Frank Hugh Sparks, president, Wabash College, Crawfordsville, Ind.; Representatives Scrivner and Staggers; Benjamin Fine, educational editor, New York Times; Madalen Dingley Leech and Mrs. Wilson, both of the DAR; and Maj. Gen. Amos Fries (retired).

ANTIPOLL TAX

Committee on House Administration: Subcommittee on Elections heard Representative Chatham speak in connection with the subject of anti-poll-tax legislation. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

NATURAL GAS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee on Petroleum and Federal Power held executive discussions on natural-gas bills and will continue on same subject tomorrow.

DOHENY CASE—LEAVENWORTH—BADGES

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 2 heard the following witnesses on H. R. 2443, to authorize the payment of additional compensation to special assistants to the Attorney General in the case of *The United States* v. *Doheny Executors:* Representative Douglas, of California; Chief Judge Harold M. Stephens, Court of Appeals, District of Columbia Circuit; and Harry W. Blair, Washington, D. C., former assistant to the Attorney General.

Also, heard Director, Bureau of Prisons, James V. Bennett, in support of H. R. 4585, to authorize the purchase of additional farming land for Leavenworth Penitentiary. The bill was ordered reported favorably to the full committee.

Subcommittee No. 3 agreed to recommend favorably to the full committee 8 private claims bills; 5 will be reported adversely.

Subcommittee No. 4 will report favorably to the full committee S. 646, S. 647, S. 676, granting renewal of patents relating to the badge of the American Legion, the Sons of the American Legion, and the American Legion Auxiliary.

AMERICAN MERCHANT MARINE

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Subcommittee on Maritime Affairs considered further the draft of a new bill to amend the Merchant Marine Act of 1936 to promote further the development and maintenance of the American merchant marine. Witnesses being heard on this legislation were Lachlan MacLeay, president, Mississippi Valley Association; Chester C. Thompson, president, the American Waterways Operators, Inc.; Wibur E. Dow, Jr., American Tramp Shipowners Institute; and W. B. Garner, executive vice president, and Bon Geaslin, both of the Waterman Steamship Co. Hearings will be continued tomorrow morning.

CENTRAL ARIZONA PROJECT

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation again heard M. J. Dowd, consulting engineer, Imperial irrigation district, California, speak in opposition to H. R. 934, to authorize construction of dams on the Colorado River at Bridge Canyon, Ariz. He will continue his testimony at tomorrow morning's meeting.

ACUA CALIENTE INDIANS

Committee on Public Lands: The Subcommittee on Indian Affairs continued hearings on H. R. 4616, regarding the administration of restricted lands on Agua Caliente Indian Reservation. Oliver O. Clark, attorney, of Los Angeles, Calif., offered further opposition testimony against the bill under discussion. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

WATERSHED AUTHORIZATIONS

Committee on Public Works: The following officials of the Department of Agriculture spoke in regards to the soil-conservation program and watershed authorizations: Ralph R. Will, administrative assistant to the Secretary; Gordon Salmond, Forest Service; and J. C. Dykes, Soil Conservation Service. Witnesses speaking on the Garrison Dam, Missouri River, project were Wesley R. Nelson, Bureau of Reclamation; W. G. Sloan, chairman, Missouri Basin Inter-Agency Committee; Kenneth F. Vernon, regional director, Bureau of Reclamation, Billings, Mont.; and Maj. Gen. Lewis A. Pick, Chief of Engineers. Committee meets again tomorrow.

UN CHILDREN'S FUND

Committee on Rules: Granted a rule providing 1 hour's general debate on H. R. 2785, to provide for further contributions to the international children's emergency fund.

SOCIAL SECURITY

Committee on Ways and Means: Continued executive consideration of the proposed amendments to the Social Security Act. Will continue on this subject tomorrow morning.

Joint Committee Meetings

ATOMIC ENERGY

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: At the hearings on the administration of the Atomic Energy Commission, Senator Hickenlooper presented a bill of particulars with regard to the AEC personnel; he cited the rate of turn-over of personnel and discussed the number of important key employees who have left the services of the Commission. Chairman Lilienthal appeared as a witness for the AEC. Hearings continue tomorrow.

REORGANIZATION

Conferees on H. R. 2361, Reorganization Act of 1949, continued in executive session in an attempt to work out a compromise of the House- and Senate-passed versions of the bill. Conferees adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

Résumé of Congressional Activity

FIRST SESSION OF EIGHTY-FIRST CONGRESS

The first table gives a comprehensive résumé of all legislative business transacted by the House and Senate during the session, January 3, 1949, through May 31, 1949.

The second table accounts for all nominations submitted to the Senate by the President for Senate confirmation.

DATA ON LEGISLATIVE ACTIVITY

January 3 through May 31, 1949

	Senate	*House*	*Total*
Days in session	88	84	..
Time in session	523 hrs., 34′	359 hrs.	..
Congressional Record:			
Pages of proceedings	4,173	3,011	7,184
Appendix	..	..	3,538
Public bills enacted into law	34	48	82
Private bills enacted into law	21	55	76
Bills in conference	..	..	11
Bills through conference	..	..	10
Measures passed, total	406	578	..
Senate bills	169	50	..
House bills	129	378	..
Senate joint resolutions	15	8	..
House joint resolutions	14	17	..
Senate concurrent resolutions	18	2	..
House concurrent resolutions	7	9	..
Simple resolutions	54	114	168
Measures reported, total	*475	*688	..
Senate bills	209	64	..
House bills	152	501	..
Senate joint resolutions	17	4	..
House joint resolutions	15	24	..
Senate concurrent resolutions	20	1	..
House concurrent resolutions	7	6	..
Simple resolutions	55	88	143
Special reports	16	14	..
Conference reports	..	11	..
Reported measures not acted on	**55	**132	..
Measures introduced, total	2,236	5,487	7,723
Bills	1,974	4,931	6,905
Joint resolutions	98	262	360
Concurrent resolutions	42	63	105
Simple resolutions	122	231	353
Quorum calls	194	50	244
Yea-and-nay votes	103	55	158
Bills vetoed	..	..	4

*These figures on measures reported include all placed on calendar or acted on by Senate even if there was no accompanying report. A total of 430 reports has been filed in the Senate; a total of 713 has been filed in the House.

**This figure does not agree with the total difference between bills reported and bills passed, because resolutions and bills placed on the House Calendar without having been formally reported were not included in figures of measures reported to the House; the difference in the case of Senate figures is due to uncounted bills "laid on the table" or "indefinitely postponed."

DISPOSITION OF EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS RECEIVED FROM JANUARY 3–MAY 31, 1949

Postmaster nominations, totaling 2,106, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	871
Withdrawn	9
Rejected	None
Unconfirmed	1,226
Army nominations, totaling 15,889, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	15,889
Withdrawn	None
Rejected	None
Unconfirmed	None
Air Force nominations, totaling 12,600, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	12,600
Withdrawn	None
Rejected	None
Unconfirmed	None
Navy nominations, totaling 9,403, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	6,608
Withdrawn	None
Rejected	None
Unconfirmed	2,795
Marine Corps nominations, totaling 977, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	928
Withdrawn	None
Rejected	None
Unconfirmed	49
Civilian nominations other than postmasters, totaling 1,590, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	1,548
Withdrawn	6
Rejected	None
Unconfirmed	36
Summary	
Total nominations received	42,565
Total rejected	None
Total withdrawn	15
Total unconfirmed	4,106
Total confirmed	38,444

TABLE OF APPROPRIATION BILLS, EIGHTY-FIRST CONGRESS, FIRST SESSION

Bill No.	Title	Budget estimates*	House				Senate				Public law	
			Date reported	Amount as reported	Date passed	Amount as passed	Date reported	Amount as reported	Date passed	Amount as passed	Date approved	Amount as approved	Law No.
H. J. Res. 112	Disaster Relief	$1,000,000	Jan. 27	$500,000	Jan. 27	$500,000	Jan. 27	$500,000	Jan. 27	$500,000	Jan 28	$500,000	3
H. J. Res. 136	Disaster Relief	500,000	Feb. 3	500,000	Feb. 3	500,000	Feb. 3	500,000	Feb. 3	500,000	Feb. 7	500,000	5
H. R. 2632	First Deficiency, 1949	$64,183,148	Feb. 14	466,882,177	Feb. 16	471,895,177	Mar. 22	538,453,473	Apr. 13	542,303,473	May 24	524,649,473	71
H. R. 3082	District of Columbia, 1950	103,321,427	Mar. 1	98,923,621	Mar. 2	98,923,621							
H. R. 3083	Treasury-Post Office, 1950:												
	Treasury	3,176,266,750	Mar. 1	3,072,817,903	Mar. 3	3,072,817,903	Apr. 29	3,113,068,503	May 11	3,113,068,503			
	Post Office	1,096,594,450		1,027,608,403		1,027,608,403		1,045,184,403		1,045,184,403			
		2,079,672,300		2,045,209,500		2,045,209,500		2,067,884,100		2,067,884,100			
H. R. 3333	Labor-Federal Security, 1950:												
	Labor	2,234,389,285	Mar. 8	2,211,794,085	Mar. 9	2,211,794,085	Apr. 14	2,396,337,265	May 17	2,409,827,265			
	FSA	16,766,200		16,550,000		16,550,000		16,766,200		16,766,200			
	Related agencies	1,500,805,585		1,478,426,585		1,478,426,585		1,495,901,585		1,509,391,585			
		716,817,500		716,817,500		716,817,500		883,669,500		883,669,500			
H. R. 3734	Civil Functions, Army, 1950	772,458,220	Mar. 23	586,762,000	Mar. 29	593,292,270	May 10	751,440,690	May 20	751,440,690			
H. R. 3838	Interior, 1950	616,805,020	Mar. 28	536,111,908	Mar. 30	536,361,908							
H. R. 3997	Agriculture, 1950	727,906,938	Apr. 4	701,122,079	Apr. 5	701,122,079	May 10	723,083,249	May 19	723,083,249			
H. R. 4016	State, Justice, Commerce, 1950:												
	State	740,023,456	Apr. 5	684,616,102	Apr. 7	684,616,102							
	Justice	285,313,756		271,405,656		271,405,656							
	Commerce	132,402,000		132,579,141		132,579,141							
	Judiciary	301,073,500		259,927,605		259,927,605							
		21,234,300		20,703,700		20,703,700							
H. R. 4046	Second Deficiency, 1949	698,028,397	Apr. 6	671,047,172	Apr. 8	671,069,672							
H. R. 4148	National Military, 1950:												
	Army	13,219,835,700	Apr. 9	13,272,815,800	Apr. 13	13,272,815,800							
	Navy	4,604,675,700		4,481,834,200		4,481,834,200							
	Air Force	4,408,026,000		4,375,327,600		4,375,327,600							
	Other	4,000,887,000		4,222,954,000		4,222,954,000							
		206,047,000		192,700,000		192,700,000							
H. R. 4177	Independent Offices, 1950	7,775,566,830	Apr. 11	7,104,571,603	Apr. 14	7,103,506,553							
H. J. Res. 222	Veterans Readjustment Benefits	595,890,000	Apr. 12	595,890,000	Apr 13	595,890,000	Apr. 13	595,890,000	Apr. 14	595,890,000	Apr. 15	595,890,000	45
H. R. 4830	Foreign Aid, 1950	6,322,200,000	May 23	5,542,470,000	May 26	5,617,470,000							

*These estimates include any additional amounts which may have been submitted to the Senate after the bill was acted on by House Appropriations Committee.

Thursday, June 2, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

CCC charter bill cleared for President.

Senate passed second deficiency appropriations, 20 unobjected-to bills on call of calendar, and made bill on Taft-Hartley repeal the unfinished business.

Displaced-persons bill passed by House.

International wheat agreement, and bills on wind tunnel, Navy, Army, immigration, and private claims were approved by Senate committees.

Civil-service retirement bills approved by House committee.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 7123–7126

Bills Introduced: Eight bills and four resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1975 to S. 1982; S. J. Res. 100 and 101; and S. Con Res. 43 and 44. Pages 7124–7125

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. R. 1243, to amend the Hatch Act relative to penalties for violations of this act by Federal civil-service employees, with amendments (S. Rept. 436);

S. 1560, private bill (S. Rept. 437);

S. 1639, providing that the Secretary of the Navy, instead of the President, be authorized to approve or disapprove decisions by Navy retiring boards (S. Rept. 438);

S. 1759, to provide retention of certain officers of Medical and Dental Corps of the Navy (S. Rept. 439);

S. 458, providing for a survey of physically handicapped persons (S. Rept. 440);

H. R. 3198, to provide for use of Federal employees for field work by the Bureau of the Census (S. Rept. 441);

H. R. 3444, to improve the administration of activities relating to collection of cotton statistics (S. Rept. 442);

S. 1267, to authorize construction of transsonic and supersonic wind-tunnel facilities (S. Rept. 443); and

The following private bills: S. 1429, H. R. 1123, 1472, 2353, S. Con. Res. 44, and S. 471 (S. Repts. 444 to 449, respectively). Page 7124

Bill Referred: One House-passed bill was referred to appropriate committee. Page 7125

Calendar Bills Passed: On call of the calendar, 20 unobjected-to bills, of which 7 were private, were passed as follows:

Without amendment and cleared for President:

Fishery facilities: H. R. 1222, to authorize the exchange of certain fishery facilities within the State of Washington;

Marine Band: H. R. 3341, to authorize the attendance of the Marine Band at Little Rock, Ark.;

Marfa, Tex.: H. R. 1158, to provide for conveyance by the U. S. to the city of Marfa, Tex., of certain lands;

Water conservation: H. R. 3181, to provide for more effective conservation in the arid and semiarid areas of the U. S.; and

Private bills: Six private bills: H. R. 1053, 1058, 1062, 1497, 2249, and 1878.

With amendment, to be sent back to House:

Air-lift medal: H. R. 2737, providing medal for persons distinguishing themselves in the Berlin air lift;

Mileage allowances: H. R. 3005, to regulate subsistence expenses and mileage allowances of civilian officers and employees of the Government;

Fort Brown: H. R. 1338, authorizing the transfer to the U. S. section, International Boundary and Waterway Commission, of a portion of Fort Brown, at Brownsville, Tex.; and

Mining claims: H. R. 3754, providing for temporary deferment in certain unavoidable contingencies of annual assessment work on mining claims held by location in the U. S. (Senate asked for conference on this bill and appointed as conferees Senators O'Mahoney, Murray, Downey, Millikin, and Cordon.)

Without amendment and cleared for House:

Navy laws: S. 1794, to repeal certain obsolete provisions of law relating to the naval service;

Monetary Commission: S. 1559, to establish a National Monetary Commission;

Vigo plant, Indiana: S. 1745 and S. 1746, to transfer to the Attorney General land and portions of the Vigo ordnance plant building near Terre Haute, Ind., for use in connection with U. S. penitentiary located at that city; and

Private bill: One private bill, S. Con. Res. 42.

With amendment and cleared for House:

Submarines: S. 1505, authorizing construction of experimental submarines by removing the $30,000,000 ceiling on the cost of such vessels. Pages 7126–7137

Central Intelligence: Senate agreed to conference on H. R. 2663, to provide for administration of Central Intelligence Agency, and appointed as conferees Senators Tydings, Russell, Byrd, Bridges, and Gurney. Page 7137

Second Deficiency Appropriations: H. R. 4046, second deficiency appropriations for 1949, was passed by voice vote, after the following action was taken on amendments:

All commmittee amendments were adopted, except four, which were modified before adoption by the following amendments offered from the floor: Humphrey amendment, increasing by $2,000,000 the contribution by U. S. to UN for relief of Palestine refugees; McGrath amendment increasing by $500,000 funds for National Capital Sesquicentennial Commission, and eliminating language requiring matching of funds by private sources; Lucas amendment providing $300,000 to relocate Michigan Central Railroad in connection with the Calumet-Sag project, Illinois; and Russell amendment increasing by $20,000 funds for river-basin studies by National Park Service.

Two other amendments were offered from the floor to text of bill and disposed of as follows: Adopted, by voice vote, Thye amendment increasing by $68,000 funds for school facilities at Red Lake, Minn., and rejected, on division vote, Magnuson amendment to appropriate $15,000,000 as a revolving fund for housing in Alaska.

Senate asked for a conference and appointed as conferees Senators McKellar, Hayden, Russell, Bridges, and Gurney. Pages 7137–7160

CCC Charter: Conference report on S. 900, to amend comprehensively the CCC charter, was adopted, thus clearing the bill for the President. Pages 7163–7164

Taft-Hartley Repeal: S. 249, the National Labor Relations Act of 1949, repealing the Labor-Management Relations Act of 1947 (the so-called Taft-Hartley Act), was made the Senate's unfinished business. Pages 7164–7165

Confirmations: The nomination of Albert Benjamin Conger to be U. S. district judge for middle district of Georgia was confirmed, along with 2,795 Navy nominations. Page 7165

Committee Meetings

INTERIOR APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Continuing hearings on H. R. 3838, Interior appropriations for 1950, subcommittee received testimony from Senators Young and Langer, four witnesses of North Dakota, and Clyde Ellis, all on REA cooperatives. C. J. S. Williamson, California State Chamber of Commerce, and Edson Abel, representing California Farm Bureau Federation, Berkeley, appeared on the Central Valley project of California. Twelve witnesses, including Representative Johnson, appeared on funds for the Solano County project in California. Senator Watkins testified on funds for Bureau of Reclamation projects and Provo River project, along with other items for Utah carried in the bill. Hearings continue tomorrow.

INDEPENDENT OFFICES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Continuing hearings on H. R. 4177, independent offices appropriations, subcommittee heard Tighe E. Woods, and assistants, on funds for the Office of the Housing Expediter; Gordon Clapp, Director, TVA, and associates, appeared to discus TVA appropriations; and Cyrus Eaton, Otis Co., dealers in securities, appeared to discuss SEC appropriations. Hearings continue Saturday.

NOMINATIONS, WIND TUNNEL, NAVY, AND ARMY

Committee on Armed Services: In executive session, the committee voted to report favorably 2,810 nominations in the Navy.

It voted to report without amendment the five following bills:

S. 1267, to authorize construction of transsonic and supersonic wind-tunnel facilities (the full committee having received report of the subcommittee before voting to report the bill); S. 1560, private bill; S. 1639, providing that the Secretary of the Navy, instead of the President, be authorized to approve or disapprove decisions by Navy retiring boards; S. 1759, to provide retention of certain officers of Medical and Dental Corps of the Navy; and S. 1742, removing certain restrictions on certain lands authorized to be conveyed to the trustees of Porter Academy.

The committee also considered S. 1688, to provide for certain adjustments on the promotion list of the Medical Service Corps of the Regular Army, but failed to reach a final vote on reporting it.

BATTLE OF BULGE—MILITARY TRIALS

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee continued its hearings on S. Res. 42, to investigate military trials of persons who massacred American soldiers in the Battle of the Bulge, with the following witnesses testifying: James Finucane, National Council for the Prevention of War, and Virgil T. Lary, only surviving officer of the disaster. Hearings continue tomorrow.

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES REDUCTION

Committee on Expenditures in the Executiv. Departments: Committee continued hearings on S. J. Res. 94 and 97, to provide economy in Government by reducing expenditures for the fiscal year 1950 by enacting across-the-board cuts in total amounts appropriated for that year, with Frederick J. Lawson, Assistant Director, Bureau of the Budget, concluding his testimony on the

problems involved and questions raised by these resolutions.

Senator Bridges appeared before the committee in support of S. J. Res. 97.

Thomas Lynch, Treasury Department, appeared before the committee to discuss revisions of estimates of Federal revenues during fiscal year 1950.

INTERNATIONAL WHEAT, NORTH ATLANTIC PACT, AND AUSTRALIAN AMBASSADOR

Committee on Foreign Relations: In executive session, by vote of 10 to 0, the committee voted to report without reservation the international wheat agreement.

The nomination of Pete Jarman to be Ambassador to Australia was reported favorably.

Committee also discussed the North Atlantic Pact in executive session. Committee will continue on this on June 6.

AVIATION

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Committee held open hearings on 11 aviation bills, including S. 1278 through S. 1285, proposing miscellaneous amendments to the Federal Airport Act; and S. 4, S. 447, S. 452, and H. R. 781, proposing miscellaneous amendments to the Civil Aeronautics Act. Testifying before the committee on these bills was D. W. Rentzel, Civil Aeronautics Administrator, who appeared in support of the proposed legislation.

AIR-LINE INDUSTRY

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Postmaster General Donaldson testified before the committee discussing mail pay to the air-line industry, and the handling of mail by the air lines, in connection with the committee's hearings in pursuance of S. Res. 50, to authorize a study of the financial condition and operating efficiency of the air-line industry.

IMMIGRATION, PRIVATE CLAIMS, AND JUDGESHIP

Committee on the Judiciary: In executive session, the committee voted to report four private claims bills without amendment, as follows: S. 1429, H. R. 1123, 1472, and 2353, and with amendment S. 471.

One original concurrent resolution was authorized to be introduced and reported on deportation referral cases.

The nomination of Albert Benjamin Conger to be U. S. district judge for the middle district of Georgia was ordered reported favorably.

PRIVATE BILL

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee held hearings on S. 410, private bill.

SCHOOL-CONSTRUCTION BILLS

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee opened hearings on all bills on school construction pending before the subcommittee, with Senators Robertson, Magnuson, Capehart, Neely, and Representative Patten expressing their views on the proposed legislation. Hearings continue June 6.

HOSPITAL CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee met in executive session to consider hospital construction bills, but made no announcement of action taken.

NATIONAL HEALTH

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee on Health Legislation continued hearings on pending national health bills (S. 1106, 1456, 1581, and 1679), with the following witnesses expressing their views on the proposed legislation: R. H. Hutcheson, president, State and Territorial Health Officers Association, and commissioner, Tennessee Department of Public Health; Hugh R. Leavell, professor of public health practice, Harvard School of Public Health; and Harvey W. Brown, president, International Association of Machinists. Hearings continue June 6.

GOVERNMENT PAY BILLS

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Subcommittee met in closed session to consider various pay-increase bills (S. 558, 559, 1762, 1772, and 1790) for Government employees, particularly S. 1762, to establish standard schedule of rates of basic compensation for certain employees of the Federal Government, to fix an equitable system for adjusting the rates of basic compensation of individual employees, and repeal Classification Act of 1923, with the following witnesses, mostly Government officials, present to give the subcommittee the advantage of their views as to what the contents of such legislation should embody: Ismar Baruch, CSC; Gustav C. Hertz, VA; Henry Hubbard, Federal personnel counsel for CSC; Robert J. Lacklen, personnel officer for the National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics; Stanley Oliver, representing Technicians, Engineers, and Draftsmen's Organization; George Riley, A. F. of L.; Glen Stahl, FSA; Ray Ballinger, GAO; Luther Steward, National Federation of Federal Employees; Joseph E. Winslow, Bureau of Budget; and William P. Sorenson, Department of Army. Hearings continue June 6.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Twenty-four public bills, H. R. 4963–4986; ten private bills, H. R. 4987–4996; and five resolutions, H. J. Res. 265–267, and H. Res. 237 and 238, were introduced. Pages 7212–7213

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. R. 3982, authorizing the Secretary of Agriculture to sell to a Tucson, Ariz., hospital approximately 15 acres of land and to exchange with the State of Arizona about 870 acres of land in order to consolidate the Southwestern Forest and Range Experiment Station (H. Rept. 718);

H. R. 133, to give Alaska a full share of appropriations for agricultural experiment station work (H. Rept. 719);

H. R. 212, to extend to Alaska the full benefits of the legislation pertaining to the establishment and operation of agricultural extension service programs (H. Rept. 720);

H. R. 4535, giving congressional approval to an interstate forest-fire protection compact for the New England States and New York (H. Rept. 721);

S. 1089, adding filberts and almonds to those commodities for which marketing agreements may be established and marketing orders issued (H. Rept. 722);

Conference report on S. 900, to amend the Commodity Credit Corporation Charter Act and the Strategic and Critical Materials Stock Piling Act (H. Rept. 723); and

Conference report on S. 714, providing for acquisition of sites and preparation of plans for Federal public buildings outside the District of Columbia (H. Rept. 724). Page 7212

Central Intelligence Agency: Disagreed to Senate amendments to H. R. 2663, to grant to the Central Intelligence Agency the authorities necessary for its proper administration; requested a conference with the Senate; and appointed Representatives Durham, Sasscer, Havenner, Arends, and Elston as conferees on the part of the House. Pages 7165–7166

Flag Day: Adopted H. J. Res. 170, designating June 14 of each year as Flag Day. Page 7166

Displaced Persons: After rejecting a recommittal motion, the House, by voice vote, passed H. R. 4567, amending the Displaced Persons Act of 1948. Among other things this bill changes the cut-off date of prospective immigrants from December 22, 1945, to January 1, 1949; eliminates certain percentage preferences; authorizes issuance of 339,000 visas to displaced persons through July 1, 1951, and authorizes advances, not to exceed $5,000,000, by the RFC to the DP Commission.

An amendment, extending to people of German ethnic origin the same waiver of provisions of Immigration Act relative to prepaid transportation to U. S. as extended to other DP's, was adopted.

Also adopted an amendment requiring the taking of the non-Communist oath by DP's upon arrival in U. S.

Rejected an amendment to increase number of DP immigrants to 400,000 as well as one to cut 100,000 from the number to be admitted.

Also rejected an amendment requiring able-bodied DP immigrants to be working on farms within 60 days after admission. Pages 7169–7202

Moral Rearmament: Pursuant to H. Res. 232, the Speaker appointed Representatives Preston, O'Toole, Battle, Dondero, and Wilson of Indiana to attend, as observers, the sessions of the World Assembly for Moral Rearmament in Switzerland, June 4–12. Page 7202

Commodity Credit Corporation: Adopted conference report on S. 900, to amend the Commodity Credit Corporation Charter Act and the Strategic and Critical Materials Stock Piling Act. Pages 7202–7204

Committee Meetings

REFORESTATION—FRUITFLIES

Committee on Agriculture: Ordered S. J. Res. 53, reported to the House. This resolution provides for reforestation and revegetation for forest and range lands in national forests.

Also agreed to an amendment which will be offered from the floor on H. R. 4263, to authorize the Agriculture Department to combat the citrus blackfly, the white-fringed beetle, and the Hall scale. The change will call for the inclusion of the oriental fruitfly and the wheat-stem sawfly in this program.

PX'S-SHIP'S SERVICE INVESTIGATION

Committee on Armed Services: At its investigation relative to operation of post exchanges, ship's service stores, etc., the Special Subcommittee on Post Exchanges heard the testimony of George Ames, grocer, Portsmouth, Va.; Russell Waters, novelty-store owner, Rantoul, Ill.; William Wagner, jeweler, Newport, R. I.; and Col. James B. Murphy, furniture dealer, Columbia, S. C. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

MILITARY BILLS—TOURNAMENTS

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee No. 1 approved the following bills for reporting to the full

committee, each with an amendment: H. R. 4767, clarifying active duty status of certain officers of the Army and Air Forces; H. R. 4646, authorizing the Army to lend certain property to national veterans' organizations for use at youth tournaments; and H. R. 4573, repealing obsolete provisions of law relating to the naval service. Commander William Sheeley of the Navy Department was heard on the last-mentioned bill.

Subcommittee also considered, but took no action on, H. R. 4574, authorizing use of AUS personnel for duties heretofore prescribed by law for the Regular Army; and H. R. 4241, to authorize Secretary of the Army to make allowance in lieu of markers for certain graves. Speaking on this measure were Harry V. Hayden, American Legion, and Col. E. V. Freeman and Maj. H. O. Olsen, of the Quartermaster General's Office.

SALARIES AND PENSIONS

Committee on the District of Columbia: Subcommittee on Public Service, Streets, and Traffic approved for reporting to the full committee H. R. 4408, relating to salaries of D. C. Police Department, and H. R. 2021, to provide increased pensions for widows and children of deceased members of the D. C. Police and Fire Departments. Witnesses speaking on the pension bill were Vernon West, Corporation Counsel; Inspector Francis of the White House Police; Lieutenant Davis, president, legislative committee, Firemen's Association; Captain Price, D. C. Fire Department; Sergeant Burton, retired policeman; Thomas G. Walters, Government Employees Council; Captain Lineberg, retired; and Mrs. Davis, Mrs. Frances Mitchler, Mrs. Elizabeth Calhoun, Mrs. Grace Koontz, and Mrs. Ernest Howard.

COMMUNITY RECREATION SERVICES

Committee on Education and Labor: The Kelley subcommittee continued hearings on H. R. 2026, Community Recreation Services Act, and heard the following witnesses: Dr. Harold D. Meyer, North Carolina Recreation Commission; Charles Hahn, National Sheriffs' Association, Washington, D. C.; Col. Theodore Bank, director, Athletic Institute, Chicago, Ill.; Weaver Pangburn, F. Elwood Allen Organization, New York City; Hugh Egan, U. S. Junior Chamber of Commerce, Chicago, Ill.; V. K. Brown, president, American Recreation Society, Chicago, Ill.; and Miss Sibyl Baker, District of Columbia Recreation Society. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

AID TO EDUCATION

Committee on Education and Labor: The Barden subcommittee at today's hearings on Federal aid to education legislation heard the testimony of John M. Ecklund, president, and Miss Selma Borchardt, vice-president, American Federation of Teachers, A. F. of L.; Arthur Elder, tax consultant; and Dr. Fulcher, Ph. D., retired scientist. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

ANTI-POLL TAX

Committee on House Administration: Subcommittee on Elections continued their discussions on anti-poll-tax legislation and heard Representatives Bryson and Colmer speak on that subject. Hearings will be resumed on Monday, June 6.

NATURAL GAS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee on Petroleum and Federal Power continued executive discussions on natural-gas bills. Subcommittee adjourned subject to the call of the Chair.

CLAIMS BILLS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 3 approved 13 private claims bills for reporting to the full committee. One will be reported adversely.

AMERICAN MERCHANT MARINE

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Subcommittee on Maritime Affairs, considering new legislation to amend the Merchant Marine Act of 1936 to promote further the development and maintenance of the American merchant marine, heard W. B. Garner, executive vice president, Waterman Steamship Co., who concluded the statement he had started at yesterday's hearings; Gilbert Johnson, counsel, Lake Carriers Association, Cleveland, Ohio; Dale L. Coy, Lake Carriers Association, Cleveland, Ohio; and John J. O'Connor, Washington, D. C., personally and as attorney for Isbrandtsen Co. Hearings will be resumed on Tuesday, June 7.

FEDERAL EMPLOYEES AND PENSIONERS

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Ordered the following bills reported to the House:

H. R. 459, amended, to authorize the payment to certain employees of the Bureau of Animal Industry for overtime duty;

H. R. 3445, amended, to extend benefits of the Civil Service Retirement Act to officers and employees of the Alaska Railroad Company and the Panama Canal Zone; and

H. R. 4295, extra benefits to civil-service annuitants who retired prior to April 1, 1948.

CENTRAL ARIZONA PROJECT

Committee on Public Lands: M. J. Dowd, consulting engineer, Imperial irrigation district, California, concluded his testimony in opposition to H. R. 934, to authorize construction of dams on the Colorado River at Bridge Canyon, Ariz. The Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation, which is holding the hearings on this bill, will meet again tomorrow morning on the same subject.

AGUA CALIENTE

Committee on Public Lands: The Subcommittee on Indian Affairs continued hearings on H. R. 4616, regarding the administration of restricted lands on Agua Caliente Indian Reservation. Oliver O. Clark, attorney, Los Angeles, Calif., concluded his statement opposing the bill. Mrs. Ruth Foutz, Los Angeles, Calif., and William H. Flanery, of the Department of the Interior, both spoke on behalf of the bill. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

CONSTRUCTION—D. C. PARKWAY—WATERSHEDS

Committee on Public Works: Ordered the following bills reported to the House:

H. R. 1154, to provide authorization for additional funds for the extension and improvement of post-office facilities at Los Angeles, Calif. As amended, the authorization is reduced from $900,000 to $800,000. The following witnesses testified in favor of the bill: Representative McDonough, author of the bill; W. E. Reynolds, Commissioner of Public Buildings; Joseph F. Betterley, Superintendent, Division Post Office Quarters, Post Office Department; and Pere F. Seward, Deputy Commissioner of Engineering, Bureau of Community Facilities;

H. R. 1771, relating to loans by Federal agencies for the construction of certain public works, on which Representative Rains, author of the bill, urged favorable consideration; and

H. R. 2214, providing for development and maintenance of the Baltimore-Washington Parkway and the Suitland Parkway, as extensions of the D. C. park system. This bill was amended to refer only to Suitland Parkway and omits the Baltimore-Washington Parkway entirely.

The commmittee also heard Representative Jensen; Ralph R. Will, administrative assistant, Department of Agriculture; and J. C. Dykes, of Soil Conservation Service, testify on the Missouri River watershed.

As a final action, 14 river and harbor committee review resolutions were approved. Adjourned subject to the call of the Chair.

SOCIAL SECURITY

Committee on Ways and Means: Worked on proposed amendments to the Social Security Act in executive session. Will continue on this topic tomorrow morning.

Joint Committee Meetings

ATOMIC ENERGY

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Continuing hearings on the administration of the Atomic Energy Commission, the committee heard a discussion of the emergency clearance procedures of the AEC with AEC Chairman Lilienthal, General Manager Carroll L. Wilson, and Deputy General Counsel Joseph Volpe appearing for the AEC. Chairman Lilienthal reported on personnel turn-over of the AEC. Hearings continue June 6.

CCC CHARTER

S. 900, to amend comprehensively the CCC charter, having been sent back for further conference, the first conference report having been rejected, the conferees on the bill agreed to file a second conference report on S. 900, which is practically the same as the first conference report except that the second one specifies that the Board of Directors of the CCC shall be appointed by the President and confirmed by the Senate.

FEDERAL PUBLIC BUILDINGS

Conferees on S. 714, providing for acquisition of sites and preparation of plans for Federal public buildings outside D. C., met in executive session to work out a compromise over the differences in the House- and Senate-passed versions of the bill, and agreed to file a conference report. As agreed upon, Senate conferees receded from their disagreements to House amendments, in effect accepting the House-passed version of the bill.

TREASURY-POST OFFICE APPROPRIATIONS

Conferees on H. R. 3083, Treasury-Post Office appropriations for 1950, met in executive session on the differences between the House- and Senate-passed versions of the bill, but made no announcement of action taken. Adjourned until June 7.

AGRICULTURE

House Committee on Agriculture and *Senate Committee on Agriculture and Forestry* held a joint executive session, but made no announcement.

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HIGHLIGHTS

Senate debated Taft-Hartley repeal and adopted conference reports on CIA and Federal public buildings.

House passed 38 miscellaneous bills.

North Atlantic Pact and bills on antilynching, Virgin Islands, Alaska, private claims and immigration, public works, and U. S. broadcasts were ordered reported to Senate.

Bills regarding Swiss war claims, drug labeling, and the District of Columbia approved by House committees.

Conferees reach agreement on mining claims bill.

Senate

Chamber Action

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Bills Introduced: 17 bills and 4 resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1983 to S. 1999; S. J. Res. 102 and 103; S. Con. Res. 45; and S. Res. 123.

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Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. R. 2282, to make certain Government-owned facilities available for international broadcasting in the furtherance of certain State Department programs, with amendments (S. Rept. 450);

The following private bills: S. 622, S. Con. Res. 45, H. R. 717, 735, 1096, 1125, 1303, 2078, 3311, 3603, 3992, S. 230, 652, 897, 980, 1003, H. R. 750, and 3458 (S. Repts. 451 through 461, and 463 through 469, respectively); and

S. 91, to provide protection of persons from lynching, with amendment (S. Rept. 462). Pages 7217–7218

Bills Referred: Two House-passed bills were referred to appropriate committee. Page 7249

International Wheat Agreement: International wheat agreement was reported favorably to the Senate by the Committee on Foreign Relations (Exec. Rept. 7, to accompany Exec. M). Page 7250

Federal Public Buildings: Conference report on S. 714, providing for acquisition of sites and preparation of plans for Federal public buildings outside D. C., was adopted, thus clearing bill for President. Pages 7248–7249

Pricing Practices: By voice vote, Senate rejected motion by Senator Langer to reconsider vote by which S. 1008, to define the application of the Federal Trade Commission Act and the Clayton Act to certain pricing practices, was passed, and to request that House return the bill. Page 7248

CIA: Senate adopted conference report on H. R. 2663, to provide for administration of Central Intelligence Agency. Page 7249

Taft-Hartley Repeal: Senate began consideration of S. 249, the National Labor Relations Act of 1949, repealing the Labor-Management Relations Act of 1947 (the so-called Taft-Hartley Act). Senator Thomas of Utah obtained consent to have his amendment to S. 249 (in the nature of a substitute) considered in lieu of the committee substitute as original text for the purposes of amendment. Pending question at recess was the Hill amendment to the Thomas substitute, adding to the listed unfair labor practices the refusal of a union to bargain collectively with employer.

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State, Justice, Commerce Appropriations: Consideration of S. 249, the National Labor Relations Act of 1949, repealing the Labor-Management Relations Act of 1947 (the so-called Taft-Hartley Act), was temporarily put aside to act on H. R. 4016, State, Justice, Commerce appropriations for 1950 which will be considered tomorrow. Page 7250

North Atlantic Pact: The North Atlantic Pact was favorably reported by the Committee on Foreign Relations (Exec. Rept. 8, to accompany Exec. L).

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Confirmation: The nomination of Thomas Chalmers Buchanan, of Pennsylvania, to be member of Federal Power Commission was confirmed. Page 7254

Nominations: Nineteen civilian nominations were received, together with one postmaster withdrawal.

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Committee Meetings

WHEAT AND COMMITTEE PROGRAM

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Committee met in closed session with Secretary of Agriculture Brannan to consider storage problem of current wheat crop.

On Saturday, June 4, the committee met in executive session to consider its program for the remainder of this session, and referred the following three bills to respective subcommittees for study:

S. 1962, to amend the marketing quota provisions of the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938, to subcommittee consisting of Senators Anderson, chairman, Hoey, Johnston of South Carolina, Aiken, and Kem;

H. R. 3825, to amend the Federal Crop Insurance Act to provide for multiple crop insurance on certain agricultural commodities, to subcommittee consisting of Senators Hoey, chairman, Johnston of South Carolina, Anderson, Young, and Thye; and

S. 1721, to provide price support for hogs, to subcommittee consisting of Senators Gillette, chairman, Holland, Anderson, Aiken, and Kem.

INDEPENDENT OFFICES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: On Friday, June 3, the subcommittee, in connection with its hearings on H. R. 4177, independent offices appropriations for 1950, heard the following Government officials and their assistants testify in support of their respective agencies: ICC Chairman Charles D. Mahaffie; John Ihlder, National Capitol Housing Authority; and Maj. Gen. U. S. Grant III, National Capital Park and Planning Commission.

INTERIOR APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Continuing hearings on H. R. 3838, Interior appropriations for 1950, the subcommittee heard Douglas G. Wright, Administrator, Southwestern Power Administration, on funds for the Southwestern Power Administration, and John M. Martin, attorney for contractors on Friant-Kern Canal of the Central Valley project, testified on appropriations for the contractors. The following witnesses appeared on proposed appropriations for power transmission lines in the Rocky Mountains under the Bureau of Reclamation program: Elmer E. Kime, California-Pacific Utilities; George R. Corey, Utah Power & Light; R. E. Gale, Idaho Power Co.; J. E. Loiseau, Public Service Co., Colorado; and J. E. Corette, Montana Power Co.

The following-named witnesses and various witnesses appearing in behalf of REA groups testified on appropriations for the Southwestern Power Administration: C. Hamilton Moses, Arkansas Power & Light; Frank M. Wilkes, Southwestern Gas & Electric; R. K. Lane, Public Service Co. of Oklahoma; Walter Gessel, Oklahoma Gas & Electric; Don McKee, Empire District Electric Co., Missouri; Langston Ashford, Arkansas, Missouri Power Co.; and L. A. Byran, Missouri Utilities Co.

On Friday, June 3, subcommittee received testimony on Moorhead Dam, Montana, from Senators Ecton and O'Mahoney, seven citizens of Wyoming, and one citizen of Montana. Senator Ecton, two citizens of Montana, Robert Yellowtail, former superintendent, Crow Indian Reservation of Montana, and T. H. Haas, chief counsel, Indian Bureau, testified on funds for the Yellowtail Dam. Senator Johnson of Colorado and four citizens of the same State appeared in regard to transmission lines from Dillon to San Luis and into Dennison, Colo. Four citizens of Montana and Clyde T. Ellis, all of REA groups, appeared in connection with the Havre-Shelby transmission line, Fort Peck project, Montana. Edward Hyatt, Water Project Authority, California, spoke on the Central Valley project.

Senator Thomas of Utah, Representative Bosone, and one citizen of Utah testified on the Provo River project, Utah. William Henry Gallagher, attorney of Detroit, and C. W. Bradbury, Santa Barbara, appeared on Santa Barbara project item. H. E. Foreman, George Atkinson, San Francisco, and Lyman Wilbur, Boise, Idaho, appeared on item involving force-account work (Associated General Contractors).

On Saturday, June 4, subcommittee received testimony from J. A. Fussell, Harper & Fussell, Shelby, Mont.; J. E. Corette, Montana Power Co.; and E. J. Byrne, Marias River Electric Cooperative of Montana, on funds for transmission lines; and from Paul J. Raver, Bonneville Power Administration, on Bonneville power appropriations.

Hearings continue June 7.

BATTLE OF BULGE—MILITARY TRIALS

Committee on Armed Services: Continuing hearings on S. Res. 42, to investigate military trials of persons who massacred American soldiers in the Battle of the Bulge, subcommittee received testimony from James L. Harbaugh, JAG in charge of that theater of operations following 1947, and Col. Granger Sutton (retired), defense counsel.

On Friday, June 3, the subcommittee heard resumption of testimony by the following witnesses: Lt. Col. Clio E. Straight, assistant to the Chief of War Crimes Division; James Finucane, National Council for Prevention of War; Dr. William R. Perl, chief interrogator at the Malmedy trials; and Judge Edward Leroy van Roden, member of Simpson Commission investigating the Malmedy trials.

SMALL BUSINESS, PUBLIC WORKS, AND U. S. BROADCASTS

Committee on Banking and Currency: Committee voted to report the following three bills: without amendment, S. 525, to remove restrictions upon loans by Federal

agencies to finance the construction of certain public works, and S. 803, to provide for the conveyance of a tract of land in Prince Georges County, Md., to the State of Maryland for use as a site for a National Guard Armory; and, with amendments, H. R. 2282, to make certain Government-owned facilities available for international broadcasting in the furtherance of certain State Department programs.

ECA Administrator Paul Hoffman; William C. Foster, ECA deputy special representative; and Bert H. White, small-business consultant to ECA, appeared before the committee to explain their proposed procedure to aid the participation of small business in the ECA program.

NORTH ATLANTIC PACT

Committee on Foreign Relations: By 13 to 0, the committee ordered reported favorably the North Atlantic Pact. The report on the pact was also adopted by a unanimous vote.

VIRGIN ISLANDS AND ALASKA

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: In executive session, committee voted to report with amendments the following two bills: H. R. 2989, to incorporate the Virgin Islands Corporation, and H. R. 2859, to authorize the sale of public lands in Alaska.

AIR-LINE INDUSTRY

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Continuing hearings in pursuance of S. Res. 50, the committee received further testimony on financial aspects and operating efficiency of the air-line industry from Charles E. Beard, executive vice president, Braniff Airways, and William M. Halbrooks, engineer consultant, of New York. Hearings continue tomorrow.

ANTILYNCHING, PRIVATE CLAIMS, AND PRIVATE IMMIGRATION BILLS

Committee on the Judiciary: In executive session the committee, by voice vote, approved for reporting the following bill without amendment: S. 91, to provide protection of persons from lynching.

The following 10 private claims bills were ordered reported without amendment: S. 622, S. 1003, H. R. 717, 735, 1096, 1125, 2078, 3311, 3603, and 3992.

The following seven private immigration bills were ordered reported: With amendment, S. 230, 652, 897, 980, H. R. 750 and 3458; and, without amendment, H. R. 1303.

One original concurrent resolution on deportation referral cases was authorized to be introduced and reported.

JUDGESHIP

Committee on the Judiciary: On Friday, June 3, subcommittee heard the following witnesses testify on the nomination of Representative Eberharter to be Federal district judge for western district of Pennsylvania: John E. Patterson, passenger conductor, John J. Langdon, patrolman, Andrew Perkins, police lieutenant, and Louis Norris, assistant station master, all of the Pennsylvania Railroad; Ray Irwin Caul, former New Jersey State Railroad policeman; Roy S. Bridges, retired policeman of Washington; Roger Knox, U. S. Commissioner, and Owen M. Burns (heard in executive session), both of western district, Pennsylvania; George Stone, police officer, Pittsburgh; David B. Roberts, Court of Common Pleas, Allegheny County, Pa.; Clark F. King, Assistant Corporation Counsel, Walter F. Bramhall, municipal court clerk, and Robert J. Barrett, Superintendent of Police, all of Washington. John G. Buchanan, American Bar Association, questioned the witnesses. Subcommittee adjourned subject to call of the chair.

SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION BILLS

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee continued hearings on school construction bills pending before the subcommittee, with Howard A. Dawson, Director of Rural Service of REA, and executive secretary of the National Conference of County and Rural Area Superintendent of Schools, giving his views on the proposed legislation. Hearings continue tomorrow.

NATIONAL HEALTH

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Continuing hearings on pending national health bills (S. 1106, 1456, 1581, and 1679), the subcommittee heard the following witnesses express their views on the proposed legislation: Surgeon General Scheele, U. S. Public Health Service; Dr. Joseph C. Hinsey, Association of American Medical Colleges, and dean of Cornell Medical School (Dr. Hinsey was accompanied by W. A. Bloedorn, George Washington Medical School; Dr. Carlyle Jacobsen, dean of health services, University of Iowa; Dr. Ward Darley, health sciences and services, University of Colorado; Dr. George P. Berry, dean of school of Medicine and Dentistry, University of Rochester; and Dean F. Smiley, secretary, Association of American Medical Colleges); Dr. Leonard Carmichael, American Council of Education; and Dr. Harvey B. Stone, Council on Hospitals and Medical Education of AMA (accompanied by Dr. Harry Perkins, dean of Jefferson Medical College; Dr. Victor Johnson, director of Mayo Clinic; and Dr. Donald G. Anderson, secretary of Council on Hospitals and Medical Education of AMA). Hearings continue tomorrow.

VETERANS

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Subcommittee met in executive session to consider S. 94, S. 115, S. 974, and S. 1648, veterans' preference bills with respect to employment in Government services of veterans and mothers of veterans, and agreed to report their decision on such proposed legislation to the full committee at its next meeting on Wednesday.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Fifteen public bills, H. R. 4997-5011; fourteen private bills, H. R. 5012-5025; and one resolution, H. Res. 239, were introduced. Pages 7295, 7314-7315

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

Conference report on H. R. 2663, to provide for the administration of the Central Intelligence Agency (H. Rept. 725);

H. Res. 239, providing for consideration of and 1 hour of debate on H. R. 2785, to provide for further contributions to the International Children's Emergency Fund (H. Rept. 726);

H. R. 1154, to authorize extension and improvement of post-office facilities at Los Angeles, Calif. (H. Rept. 727);

H. R. 1771, relating to loans by Federal agencies for the construction of certain public works (H. Rept. 728);

H. R. 3191, to amend Federal Employees Compensation Act by extending coverage to civilian officers of the U. S. and by making benefits more realistic in terms of present wage rates (H. Rept. 729);

H. R. 3511, declaring the waterway in which the Brewery Street channel is located at New Haven, Conn., a nonnavigable stream (H. Rept. 730);

H. R. 4295, to provide certain benefits for annuitants who retired under Civil Service Retirement Act of May 29, 1930, as amended, prior to April 1, 1948 (H. Rept. 731);

H. J. Res. 228, authorizing appropriation for the work of the President's Committee on National Employ the Physically Handicapped Week (H. Rept. 732);

S. J. Res. 53, to provide for the reforestation and revegetation of forest and range lands of national forests (H. Rept. 733); and

H. R. 4424, to provide for the settlement of certain parts of Alaska by war veterans (H. Rept. 734).

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Government Travel: Agreed to Senate amendments to H. R. 3005, to regulate subsistence expenses and mileage allowances of civilian officers and employees of the Government, thus clearing the bill for Presidential action.

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Public Buildings: Adopted conference report on S. 714, providing for comprehensive planning, for site acquisition in and outside of the District of Columbia, and for the design of Federal building projects outside of the District of Columbia. Page 7258

Consent Calendar: Passed the following bills on the call of the Consent Calendar:

Cleared for the President:

Patrick Henry Week: S. J. Res. 12, authorizing the President to proclaim the week in which June 6, 1949, occurs as Patrick Henry Week.

Personal property claims: S. 30, to settle claims of employees of Federal penal and correctional institutions for damage or loss of personal property incident to their service.

Reserve disability benefits: S. 213, to provide benefits for members of the Reserve components of the armed forces who suffer disability or death from injuries incurred while engaged in active-duty training for periods of less than 30 days or while engaged in inactive-duty training.

Land transfer: S. 314 in lieu of H. R. 1242, to authorize transfer of a certain tract of land in the Robinson Remount Station to the city of Crawford, Nebr.

Forest scenery: S. 353, to protect certain scenic values within the Santa Fe National Forest, N. Mex.

Reclamation: S. 690, to authorize the furnishing of water to the Yuma auxiliary project, Arizona, through the works of the Gila project, Arizona.

Tobacco: S. 715, to amend the Agricultural Act of 1948 with respect to Maryland and cigar leaf tobacco.

Navy pay: S. 779, relating to pay and allowances of Navy officers appointed to permanent grades.

Philippine Scouts: S. 1181, to authorize appointment of officers on the active list of the Philippine Scouts in the Regular Army.

Army base: S. 1219, authorizing Secretary of Army to convey a portion of Charleston Army base terminal to the city of Charleston.

Retirement refunds: S. 1229 in lieu of H. R. 2020, to enable certain Government employees separated from the service subsequent to Jan. 23, 1942, to elect to forfeit their rights to civil-service retirement annuities and to obtain in lieu thereof returns of their contributions with interest.

Sent to the Senate without amendment:

Sea lampreys: H. J. Res. 202, relative to investigation and eradication of predatory sea lampreys of the Great Lakes.

Bridge Commission: H. J. Res. 208, to amend act creating the Niagara Falls Bridge Commission, approved June 16, 1938.

Citizenship: H. J. Res. 238, to provide the privilege of becoming a naturalized citizen of the U. S. to all immigrants having a legal right to permanent residence.

Easements: H. R. 263, to grant perpetual easements for maintaining and operating a public highway and a water pipe line in vicinity of naval air base at Santa Ana, Calif.

Recreation: H. R. 2417, to improve recreational facilities at Eglin Field, Fla.

Fish study: H. R. 2501, authorizing the U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service to undertake a continuing study of the shad, *Alosa sapidissima*, of the Atlantic coast.

Land conveyance: H. R. 2783, to authorize Secretary of the Interior to convey a certain parcel of land, with improvements, to the city of Alpena, Mich.

Law-enforcement retirement: H. R. 3756, to provide that the annuities of certain Government employees engaged in enforcement of the criminal laws of the United States shall be computed on basis of their average basic salaries for any five consecutive years of allowable service.

Vessel transfer: H. R. 4252, to transfer the trawlers *Alaska* and *Oregon* from the RFC to the Fish and Wildlife Service.

Liquidated war agencies: H. R. 4387, to relieve authorized certifying officers of terminated war agencies in liquidation by the Treasury Department.

Air mail: H. R. 4498, to grant authority to Postmaster General to award contracts for transportation of mail by aircraft upon star routes.

Sent to the Senate, amended:

Aviation units: S. 1270, regarding enlisted personnel employed in aviation tactical units of the armed services.

Pulaski's Memorial Day: H. J. Res. 241, authorizing the President to proclaim October 11 General Pulaski's Memorial Day for the observance and commemoration of the death of Brig. Gen. Casimir Pulaski.

Hawaii: H. R. 173, to amend Hawaiian Organic Act to prevent loss of nationality, by reason of continuous residence of 5 years in a foreign state, of certain persons declared to be citizens of U. S. under such act.

Reclamation: H. R. 1694, to provide for return of rehabilitation and betterment of costs of Federal reclamation projects.

Alaskan schools: H. R. 2121, to authorize conveyance of abandoned school properties in Alaska to local school officials.

Crow Indians: H. R. 2170, to declare children of competent Crow Indians to be competent members of the Crow Tribe.

Minnesota Sioux Indians: H. R. 2610, to bring the Midwakanton Sioux Indians of the State of Minnesota within the jurisdiction of the Indian Reorganization Act of 1934.

Alaskan transportation: H. R. 2634, to allow Canadian vessels to provide service between certain Alaskan cities and U. S.

Fish culture: H. R. 3046, to expand the facilities at the Cape Vincent, N. Y., fish cultural station.

Bankruptcy amendments: H. R. 3111, to amend the Uniform Bankruptcy Act of July 1, 1898, relative to inaccuracies and ambiguities.

Land conveyance: H. R. 3155, amending Public Law 885, (80th Cong.) relative to conveyance of certain real property by Secretary of Army to Okaloosa County, State of Florida.

Hawaii: H. R. 4000, to amend section 16 of Hawaiian Organic Act relative to disqualification of legislators.

Agriculture: H. R. 4263, to combat the citrus blackfly, white-fringed beetle, and the Hall scale.

Army female doctors: H. R. 4384, to provide for the appointment of female doctors and specialists in the Medical Department of the Army.

Virgin Island bonds: H. R. 4586, to authorize the Government of the Virgin Islands or any municipality thereof to issue bonds and other obligations.

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Indian Lands: Passed, after adopting clarifying amendments, H. J. Res. 33, to ratify a contract for purchase of certain Indian land by U. S. from Three Affiliated Tribes of Fort Berthold Reservation, N. Dak. Pages 7281–7293

Bills Referred: Five Senate-passed bills, passed on June 2, were referred to appropriate committees. Page 7313

Committee Meetings

FARM PRICE SUPPORT

Committee on Agriculture: The Pace special subcommitte heard Secretary of Agriculture Brannan speak in connection with the proposal to use the production-payment method of providing price support as distinguished from other methods of providing price support, such as through loans, purchases, or other operations. In answer to a question wherein commodities would be used as an experimental "trial run" of the production-payment plan, the Secretary listed potatoes and hogs as the first choices for the experiment. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

NAVY OFFICERS

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee No. 1 opened hearings on H. R. 4639, regarding redistribution of Navy Staff Corps officers. Witnesses appearing on this bill were Rear Adm. Arthur H. Dearing and Rear Adm. Clifford A. Swanson, Chief, both of the Bureau of Medicine and Surgery, Department of the Navy, and Commander Robert A. Fitch, Bureau of Personnel, Department of the Navy. Hearings will be continued Wednesday.

PX'S-SHIP'S SERVICE INVESTIGATION

Committee on Armed Services: Special Subcommittee on Post Exchanges at its investigation last Friday relative to operation of post exchanges, ship's service stores, etc., received the testimony of Representative Smith of Wisconsin; Charles E. Johnson, Office of Comptroller General; and Vance Kirby, Treasury Department. Hearings will be resumed Wednesday, June 8.

MILITARY HOUSING

Committee on Banking and Currency: Held hearings on H. R. 4491, to encourage construction of rental housing at or in areas adjacent to military and naval installations. Today's witnesses were Raymond M. Foley, Administrator, Housing and Home Finance Agency; Franklin D. Richards, Commissioner, Federal Housing Administration, who testified for the Department in favor of the bill; and Mr. Knowles, representing the Associated General Contractors, Inc., who testified in favor of the principles of the bill but urged some liberalizing amendments.

D. C. BILLS

Committee on the District of Columbia: Ordered the following bills reported to the House:

S. 1125, payment of temporary maintenance in D. C. alimony cases;

S. 1127, notice to be given upon a petition for probate of a D. C. will;

S. 1129, nomenclature and practice prescribed by the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure;

S. 1131, settlement of D. C. decedent's estates at election of personal representative;

S. 1132, time within which caveat may be filed to a D. C. will;

S. 1133, attorney appointed to defend uncontested D. C. annulments;

S. 1134, publication of D. C. annulment actions;

H. R. 2021, to increase pension for widows and children of deceased and retired members of Police and Fire Departments;

H. R. 2437, revising salaries of teachers, school officers, and other employees of the Board of Education;

H. R. 3368, to increase maximum sum allowable by the court out of the assets of a deceased estate as a preferred charge for funeral expenses;

H. R. 3372, amended, to provide for service of process on agents or employees of nonresident individual, partnership, or foreign corporation conducting a business in the District;

H. R. 4237, amended, regulating practice of optometry in the District;

H. R. 4381, to provide sick leave for District school teachers; and

H. R. 4408, to grant members of the U. S. Park Police leave in addition to annual and sick leave.

The committee withheld action on S. 1557, appointment of an additional judge for the D. C. Juvenile Court, and H. R. 2885, weed-elimination bill.

AID TO EDUCATION

Committee on Education and Labor: The Barden subcommittee continued hearings on Federal aid to education legislation and heard the testimony of Rosa M. Farber, of Detroit, Mich., who neither opposed nor endorsed the aid program but made a general statement on juvenile problems. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

RESEARCH LABORATORIES

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: As a result of hearing conducted by the Subcommittee on Government Operations, the Department of the Air Force has deferred indefinitely any action toward removal of the Air Force Electronics Research Laboratory from Cambridge, Mass.

YUGOSLAV CLAIMS BILL

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Ordered H. R. 4406 reported to the House, amended. This bill sets up a commission within the Department of State to have jurisdiction over claims under the Yugoslav Claims Agreement Act of 1948.

EXPORT AND IMPORT LABELING

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Ordered the following bills reported favorably to the House:

H. R. 160, to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act regarding examination and refusal of admission to permit, among other things, relabeling, with amendments;

H. R. 562, to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act regarding labeling of goods for export, with amendments; and

H. R. 3511, declaring nonnavigable the Brewery Street channel at New Haven, Conn.

IMMIGRATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 1 considered eight private immigration bills but took no action thereon.

PANAMA CANAL TOLLS

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: The Special Subcommittee To Investigate Panama Canal Tolls heard the testimony of the following witnesses regarding this subject: Bernard F. Burdick, Chief of Office, Panama Canal; Grenville Mellen, Acting Chairman, U. S. Maritime Commission, Frazer Bailey, president, National Federation of American Shipping; and Gen. James Garden Steese, civil engineer, assistant to Governor of Canal Zone. Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

VETERANS

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: At today's hearings on H. R. 87, relating to the promotion of veterans of World War II in the field service of the Post Office Department, the following witnesses testified: Paul Castiglioni, legislative representative, National Federation of Post Office Motor Vehicle Employees; Tom Walters, operations director, Government Employees Council; Col. Charles I. Stengle, representing American Federation of Government Employees; William C. Armbrust, president, United National Association of Post Office Employees; Willard L. Manning, president, National Rural Letter Carriers Association; George Warfel, president, National Association of Special Delivery Messengers; Ole Twait, vice president, Railway Mail Association, Washington, D. C.; Ross Messer, legislative representative, National Association of Post Office Maintenance Employees; Roy Eldean, vice president, United Public Workers of America, CIO; and Jesse Horton, legislative representative, National Association of Postal Supervisors. Hearings will be continued Wednesday.

RARE METALS—IRRIGATION

Committee on Public Lands: Ordered the following bills reported to the House:

H. R. 2386, to establish and operate a rare and precious metals experiment station at Reno, Nev.; and

S. 276 (H. R. 56), to authorize project for rehabilitation of certain works at Fort Sumter irrigation district, New Mexico.

INDIAN BILLS

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Indian Affairs approved two bills for reporting to the full committee, both amended: H. R. 3275, disposal of submarginal lands in Montana, North Dakota, and South Dakota; and H. R. 4025, transfer of control of Indian tribal funds. Considered, but took no action on, H. R. 4353, refund of taxes illegally paid by Indians. J. W. Whitney, an attorney, spoke on behalf of this bill. William Zimmerman, of the Department of the Interior, testified on all the bills. The subcommittee meets again tomorrow.

CENTRAL ARIZONA PROJECT

Committee on Public Lands: The Subcommittee on Irrigation continued hearings on H. R. 934, to authorize construction of dams on the Colorado River at Bridge Canyon, Ariz. At Saturday's session the following opposition witnesses were heard: Gilbert F. Nelson, deputy attorney general of California; Rex Hardy, assistant attorney general of Los Angeles, Calif.; and Donald M. Keith, deputy general counsel, Metropolitan water district of Southern California. Opposition testimony was furnished today by Northcutt Ely, special counsel, Colorado River Board of California. Arizona witnesses speaking in favor of the bill were E. G. Nielsen, regional planning engineer, Bureau of Reclamation; K. S. Wingfield, engineer consultant, Arizona Power Authority; Henry Sargent, president, Central Arizona Light & Power Co.; and W. W. Lane, consulting engineer, Phoenix, Ariz. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

RUSSIAN ESPIONAGE

Committee on Un-American Activities: Held hearings regarding the investigation of Russian espionage at the Bell Aircraft plant in Buffalo, N. Y. Investigation continues tomorrow.

SOCIAL SECURITY

Committee on Ways and Means: Continued consideration of proposed amendments to the Social Security Act, and will meet on same subject tomorrow.

Joint Committee Meetings

ATOMIC ENERGY

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: AEC Chairman David E. Lilienthal and General Manager Carroll L. Wilson testified on personnel security matters of the AEC.

MINING CLAIMS

Conferees on H. R. 1754, to provide for the suspension of annual assessment work on mining claims held by location in the U. S., agreed to file a conference report on difference between Senate- and House-passed versions of the bill, the House conferees having agreed to accept the Senate amendment to the House-passed version of the bill, with an amendment.

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HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed State, Justice, Commerce appropriations.

House passed International Children's Fund bill, 57 private bills, and cleared Central Intelligence Agency measure for the President.

Senate groups acted on general consolidated appropriations measure, and on Federal Property and Administrative Services Act.

B–36 inquiry resolution reported to the House; hearings opened on new armed-services pay bill.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 7315–7320

Bills Introduced: Twelve bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2000 to S. 2011; and S. Res. 124 and 125. Pages 7318–7319

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 525, to remove restrictions upon loans by Federal agencies to finance the construction of certain public works (S. Rept. 470);

S. 689, to permit certain postal employees or substitute postal employees to receive credit for military service, with amendments (S. Rept. 471);

S. 1730, to acquire additional farm land for Leavenworth Penitentiary, with amendment (S. Rept. 472);

S. 803, to provide for the conveyance of a tract of land in Prince Georges County, Md., to the State of Maryland for use as a site for a National Guard armory, with amendments (S. Rept. 473); and

H. R. 2859, to authorize the sale of public lands in Alaska, with amendment (S. Rept. 474). Page 7318

Presidential Message: Message was received from President recommending continuance of economic assistance to Republic of Korea. Pages 7318, 7358–7359

Bills Referred: Twenty-five House-passed bills were referred to appropriate committees. Pages 7319–7320

Public Lands: Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs was discharged from further consideration of S. 1225, increasing period for which leases which may be made of public lands granted to Idaho for educational purposes, and the bill was indefinitely postponed. Page 7319

Private Bill: Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of S. 1199, private bill, and the bill was indefinitely postponed. Page 7319

Aviation Personnel: Senate agreed to House amendment to S. 1270, regarding enlisted personnel employed in aviation tactical units of the armed services, thus clearing the bill for the President. Pages 7353–7354

D. C. Nursery School: Senate agreed to conference on H. R. 3967, to continue child day-care centers in the District, and appointed as conferees Senators McGrath, Hunt, and Smith of Maine. Page 7345

State, Justice, Commerce Appropriations: By voice vote, Senate passed H. R. 4016, State, Justice, Commerce, and Judiciary appropriations for 1950, after taking the following action on amendments: All committee amendments were agreed to; an amendment by Senator Flanders to one of these committee amendments to increase to $36 million the appropriation for international information and educational activities of the State Department was rejected by 33 yeas to 45 nays; Baldwin amendment to another committee amendment so as to reduce by $3,656,000 the funds for construction of buildings by State Department and to add that sum to the funds for international information and educational activities was rejected by voice vote.

Pepper amendment, to increase contract authorizations by $23.5 million for Federal-aid airport program, was rejected by voice vote.

Conference was requested and Senators McCarran, McKellar, Ellender, Green, Saltonstall, Bridges, and Wherry were appointed as conferees. Pages 7321–7353

Confirmation: The nomination of Pete Jarman, Alabama, to be Ambassador to Australia was confirmed. Page 7354

Nominations: A total of 266 civilian nominations were received, including those of John J. McCloy, New York, to be U. S. High Commissioner for Germany, and chief of mission, class I, within meaning of Foreign Service Act of 1946 (60 Stat. 999); Gordon Gray, North Carolina, to be Secretary of Army; and 264 appointments in the Coast Guard. Ten postmaster nominations were withdrawn. Page 7354

Committee Meetings

INDEPENDENT OFFICES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Continuing hearings on H. R. 4177, independent offices appropriations for 1950, subcommittee heard AEC Chairman David Lilienthal, together with some of his associates and assistants, testify in support of funds for the AEC. Hearings continue tomorrow.

INTERIOR APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee continued hearings on H. R. 3838, Interior appropriations for 1950, receiving testimony from 11 witnesses from Oklahoma, Missouri, and Arkansas representing various REA cooperative groups in support of funds for the Southwestern Power Administration. William Embry Wrather, Director of Geological Survey, appeared on funds for Bonneville Power Administration; S. C. Demers, representing the Flathead Indian Tribal Council, and W. B. Myler, Hot Springs, Mont., appeared on Anaconda transmission lines; Senator Murray and Representative Mansfield testified on Montana projects; E. W. Rising, Washington, D. C., appeared on various reclamation items; Senator Myers testified on National Park Service; Senator Anderson appeared on Fish and Wildlife Service items; and Ambrose C. Measure, Kalispell, Mont., representing Governor Bonner of Montana, appeared in behalf of certain reclamation projects and transmission lines in Montana. Hearings continue tomorrow.

FEDERAL PROPERTY AND SERVICES—FEDERAL EXPENDITURES

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: In executive session, the committee reconsidered proposed legislation on Federal property and administrative services and agreed that a revised bill be introduced and reported to the Senate in lieu of S. 1809, the Federal Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949, which the committee reported to the Senate on May 9. (For details of S. 1809, as reported to Senate, see Digest, p. D266.)

The revised bill, as approved by the committee today, proposes modifications in S. 1809, so as: to incorporate general supply fund as proposed in S. 597, now pending before the committee; to abolish the Bureau of Federal Supply and transfer its functions to the General Services Agency rather than to transfer it with a statutory status as originally proposed; and to clarify further the public-benefits sections including provisions by the WAA and Office of Education.

It was also agreed that the bills to provide economy in Government by reducing expenditures for the fiscal year 1950 by enacting across-the-board cuts for that year (S. J. Res. 94, 97, and 102) should be referred to a subcommittee for study, the subcommittee consisting of Senators McClellan, O'Conor, and Schoeppel.

AIR-LINE INDUSTRY

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: R. E. McKaughan, president, Trans-Texas Airways; Joseph J. O'Connell, Chairman of CAB; and F. B. Lee, Deputy Administrator, CAA, testified before the committee on financial aspects and operating efficiency of the air-line industry, in connection with the committee's hearings in pursuance of S. Res. 50. Hearings continue tomorrow.

NATURAL GAS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee met to consider S. 1498, to amend the Natural Gas Act to exempt independent producers and gatherers of natural gas, with FPC Commissioners Smith, Draper, Buchanan, and Wimberly appearing before the subcommittee to answer questions by members of the subcommittee on the proposed legislation. Hearings resume on Friday.

NATIONAL HEALTH—MEDICAL EDUCATION

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee on Health continued hearings on national health bills, with the following witnesses expressing their views on title I of S. 1679 and title VI of S. 1581, both sections dealing with medical education: Dr. James Stevens Simmons, dean of School of Public Health, Harvard University, Dr. Gaylord W. Anderson, dean of School of Public Health, University of Minnesota, Dr. Ira Hiscock, chairman of Department of Public Health, Yale Medical School, and Carlyle Jacobsen, dean of State University of Iowa—all on behalf of Association of American Medical Colleges; R. W. Bunting, dean of School of Dentistry, University of Michigan; and George Bugby, executive director of American Hospital Association. Hearings continue tomorrow.

SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION BILLS

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee continued hearings on school construction bills pending before the subcommittee, with Oscar R. Ewing, FSA Administrator; Earl J. McGrath, Commissioner of Education; and Henry F. Alves, Division of School Administration of the Office of Education, expressing their views on the proposed legislation. Hearings continue tomorrow.

SENATE OFFICE BUILDING

Committee on Public Works: Senator Ellender testified before the committee in support of his resolution, S. J. Res. 90, to suspend temporarily the demolition of buildings preparatory to erection of a new Senate Office Building.

GENERAL APPROPRIATION BILLS

Committee on Rules and Administration: Subcommittee, in executive session, agreed to report to the full committee, with amendments, S. Con. Res. 18, to provide for consolidation of all general appropriation bills into one "general consolidated" appropriation measure.

The amendments would authorize the chairman of either the House or Senate Appropriations Committee to request at any time that the Secretary of the Treasury transmit a current estimate of the over-all Federal receipts for the ensuing fiscal year.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Twenty-three public bills, H. R. 5026–5048; eleven private bills, H. R. 5049–5059; and thirty-one resolutions, H. J. Res. 268–271, H. Con. Res. 64–89, and H. Res. 240 and 241, were introduced.

Pages 7390, 7391–7392

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. Res. 240, providing for taking H. R. 4583, relating to telephone and telegraph service and clerk hire for Members of House of Representatives, from the Speaker's table and agreeing to Senate amendments (H. Rept. 735);

H. Res. 234, to authorize and direct the Committee on Armed Services to conduct thorough studies and investigations relating to matters involving the B–36 bomber (H. Rept. 736);

S. 1125, payment of temporary maintenance in D. C. alimony cases (H. Rept. 737);

S. 1127, notice to be given upon a petition for probate of a D. C. will (H. Rept. 738);

S. 1129, nomenclature and practice prescribed by the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure (H. Rept. 739);

S. 1131, settlement of D. C. decedent's estates at election of personal representative (H. Rept. 740);

S. 1132, time within which caveat may be filed to a D. C. will (H. Rept. 741);

S. 1133, attorney appointed to defend uncontested D. C. annulments (H. Rept. 742);

S. 1134, publication of D. C. annulment actions (H. Rept. 743);

S. 1135, to amend the act entitled "An act to establish a code of law for the District of Columbia," approved March 3, 1901, to provide a family allowance and a simplified procedure in the settlement of small estates (H. Rept. 744);

H. R. 3368, to increase from $600 to $1,000 the amount allowable by the court out of the assets of a decedent's estate as a preferred charge for his or her funeral expense (H. Rept. 745);

H. R. 4237, to regulate and improve the practice of optometry in the District of Columbia (H. Rept. 746);

H. R. 2437, to fix and regulate the salaries of teachers, school officers, and other employees of the Board of Education of the District of Columbia (H. Rept. 747);

H. R. 459, relative to payment of overtime to employees of Bureau of Animal Industry, Department of Agriculture (H. Rept. 748);

S. 646, granting a renewal of patent No. 54,296 relating to the badge of the American Legion (H. Rept. 749);

S. 647, granting a renewal of patent No. 55,398, relating to the badge of the American Legion Auxiliary (H. Rept. 750);

S. 676, granting a renewal of patent No. 92,187 relating to the badge of the Sons of the American Legion (H. Rept. 751);

H. R. 4466, removing restrictions on land conveyed to Porter Academy (H. Rept. 752);

H. R. 2021, to increase pension for widows and children of deceased and retired members of D. C. Police and Fire Departments (H. Rept. 753);

H. R. 3946, authorizing professional personnel of National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics to attend accredited graduate schools for research and study (H. Rept. 754);

H. R. 4381, to provide sick leave for District school teachers (H. Rept. 755);

H. R. 4408, to grant members of the U. S. Park Police leave in addition to annual and sick leave (H. Rept. 756);

H. R. 4449, providing adjustments on promotion list of the Medical Service Corps of the Regular Army (H. Rept. 757);

H. R. 4516, retention of certain officers of Medical and Dental Corps of Navy (H. Rept. 758);

H. R. 4573, repealing certain obsolete provisions of law relating to the naval service (H. Rept. 759);

H. R. 4646, loan property to national veterans' organizations for use at national youth tournaments (H. Rept. 760); and

H. R. 4767, clarifying active-duty status of certain officers of the Army of the United States and the Air Force of the United States (H. Rept. 761).

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Agricultural Appropriation: Disagreed to Senate amendments to H. R. 3997, making appropriations for

the Department of Agriculture for the fiscal year 1950; agreed to conference requested by the Senate; and appointed Representatives Whitten, Stigler, Kruse, Cannon, H. Carl Andersen, and Horan as conferees on the part of the House. Page 7355

Labor-FSA Appropriations: Disagreed to Senate amendments to H. R. 3333, the appropriation bill for the Department of Labor and the Federal Security Agency for fiscal year 1950; agreed to conference requested by the Senate; and appointed Representatives Fogarty, Hedrick, McGrath, Cannon, Keefe, and Scrivner as conferees. Page 7356

Mining Claims: Disagreed to Senate amendment to H. R. 3754, providing for temporary deferment in certain unavoidable contingencies of annual assessment work on mining claims held by location in the United States; requested a conference with the Senate; and appointed Representatives Engle of California, Murdock, Regan, Lemke, and Barrett of Wyoming as conferees on the part of the House. Page 7358

Moral Rearmament: Received resignation of Representative Battle from special committee to attend, as observers, the sessions of the World Assembly for Moral Rearmament in Switzerland. Pursuant to H. Res. 232, the Speaker appointed Representative Flood to fill the vacancy. Page 7358

President's Messages: Heard a message from the President recommending that Congress authorize the continuation of economic assistance to Republic of Korea for fiscal year 1950. The message was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs and ordered printed as H. Doc. No. 212.

Also heard veto message on H. R. 1471, a private bill which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. Pages 7358–7359, 7384

Private Calendar: On the call of the Private Calendar the following bills were passed:

Cleared for the President: S. 42, 146, 147, 165, 189, 408, 782, 835, 836, 837, 948, 1036, 1037, 1038, 1040, 1057, 1058, and 1142.

Sent to the Senate without amendment: H. R. 579, 605, 701, 1075, 1127, 1285, 1446, 1499, 1603, 1672, 2224, 2709, 3665, 3751, 3982, 4094, 4097, 4261, 4419, 4792, and 4807.

Sent to the Senate, amended: S. 191 and S. 584, in lieu of H. R. 1975, as amended, H. R. 601, 766, 1023, 1065, 1069, 1289, 1466, 1505, 1598, 1604, 1625, 1637, 1701, 2084, 2471, and 3461.

Passed over without prejudice: S. 41, and H. R. 559, 1054, 1132, 1282, 2090. Pages 7359–7368

Central Intelligence Agency: House adopted conference report on H. R. 2663, to provide for administration of Central Intelligence Agency. Pages 7368–7369

D. C. Day-Care Centers: Disagreed to Senate amendments to H. R. 3967, to continue nursery schools and day-care centers in the District of Columbia; requested a conference with the Senate; and appointed Representatives Abernethy, Granger, and Miller of Nebraska conferees on the part of the House. Page 7370

International Children's Fund: Following adoption of a clarifying amendment, the House passed H. R. 2785, to provide for further contributions to the International Children's Emergency Fund. This bill extends to the close of the fiscal year 1950, the period during which U. S. appropriations may be available to match contributions by other governments in support of the activities of the United Nations International Children's Emergency Fund.

H. Res. 239, the rule for consideration of H. R. 2785, was previously adopted. Pages 7370–7383

Committee Meetings

FARM PRICE SUPPORT

Committee on Agriculture: Secretary of Agriculture Charles F. Brannan completed his statement before the Pace special subcommittee in connection with the proposal to use the production-payment method of providing price support as distinguished from other methods of providing price support, such as through loans, purchases, or other operations. He was followed by Mark W. Pickell, executive secretary, Corn Belt Livestock Feeders Association, who represented his organization as being opposed to the proposed program of subsidizing hog marketing. Other witnesses speaking in opposition to the program were Leslie S. Hubbard, president, National Poultry Producers Federation, Lancaster, Pa.; John Rice, president, Northeastern Poultry Producers Council, Trumansburg, N. Y.; and Warren Johnson, vice president, National Turkey Federation, Mount Morris, Ill. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

MILITARY AND NAVAL BILLS

Committee on Armed Services: Ordered the following bills reported to the House:

H. R. 3946, amended, authorizing professional personnel of National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics to attend accredited graduate schools for research and study;

H. R. 4449, providing adjustments or promotion list of the Medical Service Corps of the Regular Army;

H. R. 4466, amended, removing restrictions on land conveyed to Porter Academy;

H. R. 4516, retention of certain officers of Medical and Dental Corps of Navy;

H. R. 4573, amended, repeal certain obsolete provisions of law relating to the naval service;

H. R. 4646, amended, loan property to national veterans' organizations for use at national youth tournaments; and

H. R. 4767, amended, clarifying active-duty status of certain officers of the AUS and the U. S. Air Force.

MILITARY PAY BILL

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee No. 2 opened hearings on H. R. 5007, new armed-services pay bill. Today's witnesses were Representative Sutton and Maj. Gen. John E. Dahlquist, Department of the Army. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

TIN ORE RESERVES

Committee on Banking and Currency: Held hearings on S. 1433, amending Public Law 125 (80th Cong.), to promote the conservation of the tin ore reserves of the Western Hemisphere. Charles W. Grim, Deputy Director, Office of Domestic Commerce, and Edward P. Chapman, Assistant Chief, Tin Division, Reconstruction Finance Corporation, testified on behalf of the respective Government departments in favor of the bill, and indicated that the legislation may possibly help in achieving a desirable transition from Government to private ownership and operation of the tin-smelting industry without affecting adversely the national security. Alfred C. Buttfield, president, Vulcan Detinning Co., also testified in favor of the bill. No witnesses appeared in opposition. This bill will be considered in an executive session Friday morning.

COMMUNITY RECREATION SERVICES

Committee on Education and Labor: The Kelley subcommittee continued hearings on H. R. 2026, Community Recreation Services Act. Testifying today were James F. Evans, National Conference on State Parks, Inc.; Harold Jack, supervisor, State Board of Health of Physical Education-Recreation, Richmond, Va.; Edward Rosenblum, representing the AAU; and George Seedhouse, parks and playgrounds, city of Cleveland, Ohio. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

NATIONAL HEALTH

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee on Public Health, Science, and Commerce resumed hearings on H. R. 4312 and 4313, national health bills, with opposition testimony being furnished by Representative Battle and Dr. Marjorie Shearon, editor, American Medicine and the Political Scene, Chevy Chase, Md. Speaking on behalf of the bill were A. J. Hays, vice president and president-elect, International Association of Machinists, Washington, D. C., and James J. Carey, secretary-treasurer, CIO, Washington, D. C. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

LAND PURCHASE—PATENTS—CLAIMS

Committee on the Judiciary: Ordered the following bills reported to the House:

H. R. 4585, to authorize the purchase of additional farming land for Leavenworth Penitentiary;

S. 646, 647, and 676, granting renewals of patents relating to American Legion badges; and

Twenty-two private claims bills; three private claims bills being tabled.

COAST SHIPYARDS—CONSTRUCTION PROGRAM

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: The Subcommittee on Maritime Affairs held hearings to consider further the so-called long-range program of the merchant marine, and H. R. 4190, relating to the allocation of contracts for the construction of vessels in shipyards on the Atlantic, Gulf, and Pacific coasts. Testifying today were Representatives Allen and Miller, both of California, and Jackson of Washington, and Joseph Carson, Commissioner, U. S. Maritime Commission. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

COMMUNIST MAILING IDENTIFICATION

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Williams subcommittee considered, but took no action on, H. R. 1002, requiring identification of Communist-front organizations to appear on matter sent through the mails. Adjourned subject to the call of the Chair.

CENTRAL ARIZONA PROJECT

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation concluded hearings on H. R. 934, to authorize construction of dams in the Colorado River at Bridge Canyon, Ariz. Final opposition witnesses were Northcutt Ely, special counsel, Colorado River Board of California, and James H. Howard, general counsel, Metropolitan Water District of Southern California. Testifying in rebuttal were Senator McFarland; E. B. Debler, consulting engineer, State of Arizona, Charles A. Carson, special attorney, State of Arizona. Further consideration of this measure will not be given until after June 21.

D. C. GOLF COURSES

Committee on Public Lands: Special subcommittee considering H. R. 3544, to prohibit the Secretary of the Interior from making any contract or lease relating to D. C. golf courses, heard S. G. Loeffler, operator of certain golf courses, who read a prepared statement and answered questions of members. Also testifying were W. A. Willingham, Assistant Chief, Audit Division, GAO, and Bertram Barr, auditor, GAO. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

INDIAN BILLS

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Indian Affairs approved for reporting to the full committee H. R. 4353, regarding refund of taxes illegally paid by Indians, amended. J. Whitney spoke in favor of this bill. Took no final action on H. R. 4726, claims of Wisconsin Pottawatomie Band of Indians. Robert C. Bell

spoke in favor of this measure. Took no action on H. R. 4901, lease certain lands to eastern band of Cherokee Indians, N. C. James G. K. McClure, Joe Jennings, and Chief McKinley Ross testified in behalf of this bill. Took no action on H. R. 3125, amending act regarding jurisdiction of Chippewa Indians of Lake Superior. J. W. Hoag spoke in favor of this bill. Took no action on S. 187, to provide for settlement of certain Federal obligations to the Indians of New York. Opposing this bill were Rev. Emery Kocsis, Rev. Glenn B. Coykendall, Roy Snow, Chief Clinton Richard, Roy S. Jameson, and LaFayette Kennedy.

William Zimmerman, of the Department of the Interior, testified on all the above-mentioned bills. Committee meets again tomorrow.

B-36 INQUIRY—OVERTIME—CLERK HIRE—HOUSING

Committee on Rules: Ordered H. Res. 234, B-36 inquiry resolution, reported favorably to the House with amendments. Representatives Vinson, Short, and Van Zandt requested favorable action.

Considered, but took no action on, rule to send H. R. 858, overtime-on-overtime bill, to conference. Representatives Lesinski and McConnell urged the rule, and Representative Marcantonio spoke in opposition.

Granted a rule (H. Res. 240), to take from Speaker's desk H. R. 4583, clerk hire and additional telephone expenses for House members, and agree to Senate amendments thereto. Representative Stanley spoke in favor of this resolution.

Took adverse action on a rule for H. R. 4009, Housing Act of 1949, and will reconsider this measure next Monday, June 13.

COMMUNISM

Committee on Un-American Activities: Dr. J. Robert Oppenheimer, of Princeton, N. J., testified in an advisory capacity at today's closed meeting. Committee meets again tomorrow.

PENSIONS AND COMPENSATIONS

Committee on Veterans Affairs: Robert E. McLaughlin, national legislative director, and Clarence D. Adamy, director of service, both of the AMVETS, testified in support of H. R. 908 and 909, to provide 25-percent increase in compensation; H. R. 901, minimum ratings for service-connected arrested tuberculosis; and H. R. 906, to provide stenographic assistance for service organizations. Will meet tomorrow at 10:30 a. m.

SOCIAL SECURITY

Committee on Ways and Means: Continued study of proposed amendments to the Social Security Act. Will resume further consideration at call of the Chair.

Joint Committee Meetings

ATOMIC ENERGY

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Committee met in executive session but made no announcement.

Wednesday, June 8, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate debated Taft-Hartley repeal.

B-36 bomber inquiry resolution and Federal property and administrative services bill passed by House.

Bills on animal quarantine, military justice, airports, aviation, vessels, lighthouse, and veterans acted on by Senate group.

Armed services pay bill approved by House group.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 7393–7399

Bills Introduced: Fourteen bills and three resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2012 to S. 2025; S. J. Res. 104; and S. Con. Res. 46 and 47. Pages 7396–7398

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 2020, Federal Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949 (S. Rept. 475);

Report entitled "The International Refugee Organization," submitted by Subcommittee on Relations With International Organizations of the Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments (S. Rept. 476); and

H. R. 2989, to incorporate the Virgin Islands Corporation, with amendments (S. Rept. 477). Page 7396

Bills Referred: Thirty-six House-passed bills were referred to appropriate committees. Page 7398

Bills Placed on Calendar: Two bills, as follows, were placed on the calendar: H. R. 3751, to provide for transfer of tower on Lower Souris National Wildlife Refuge to International Peace Garden, Inc., and H. R. 2709, private bill. Page 7398

Federal Public Buildings: S. Con. Res. 46, authorizing certain corrections in the House engrossed amendment to S. 714, providing for acquisition of sites and preparation of plans for Federal public buildings outside D. C., was adopted. Pages 7397–7398

Private Bill: Senate agreed to House amendment to S. 191, private bill, clearing it for the President's signature. Page 7399

Mining Claims: Conference report on H. R. 1754, to provide for the suspension of annual assessment work on mining claims held by location in the U. S., was adopted. Pages 7399–7400

Taft-Hartley Repeal: Senate continued debate on S. 249, the National Labor Relations Act of 1949, repealing the Labor-Management Relations Act of 1947 (the so-called Taft-Hartley Act), with the Hill amendment to the Thomas of Utah substitute (adding to the listed unfair labor practices the refusal of a union to bargain collectively with employer) remaining the pending question at recess. Pages 7400–7431

Nominations: Eleven Army nominations in the rank of general were received, along with the nomination of Leland Olds, of New York, to be member of the Federal Power Commission. Page 7431

Committee Meetings

ANIMAL QUARANTINE

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Subcommittee, in executive session, voted to report to the full committee H. R. 3717, to repeal act establishing Swan Island Animal Quarantine Station.

Before taking this action, the subcommittee heard testimony in support of the bill from J. M. Jones, Secretary, and Byron M. Wilson, both representing National Wool Growers Association.

Testifying in opposition to the bill were Roy G. Martin, Secretary, and J. W. Sartwelle, both representing Pan American Zebu Association.

Dr. M. R. Clarkson, Chief, Inspection and Quarantine Division, Bureau of Animal Industry, Agriculture Department, testified briefly.

FOREIGN-AID APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: ECA Administrator Paul G. Hoffman appeared before the committee to express the attitude of the ECA with respect to the appropriations required to continue the European recovery program, in connection with the committee's hearings on H. R. 4830, foreign-aid appropriations for 1950. This was the committee's opening hearing on H. R. 4830. Hearings continue tomorrow.

INDEPENDENT OFFICES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Committee concluded hearings on H. R. 4177, independent offices appropriations for 1950, after receiving testimony from Delegate Bartlett on general provisions of the bill, and from numerous outside or private witnesses on funds for the bill generally and on various items for the Civil Service Commission, maritime training, National Capital Park and Planning Commission, Selective Service System, and the Veterans' Administration.

INTERIOR APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Continuing hearings on H. R. 3838, Interior appropriations for 1950, the subcommittee received testimony from numerous witnesses, as follows: Senator Butler, accompanied by two citizens of Nebraska, in opposition to the Glendo reclamation project as it affects Nebraska; Senator Thomas of Oklahoma introduced nine members of the Kiowa, Comanche, and Apache Tribes on Indian Bureau loans provisions; Delegate Bartlett and Governor Gruening of Alaska on items affecting Alaska; Senator Thye on Indian education; Senator Martin on Independence National Park, Philadelphia; Delegate Farrington on Geological Survey work; Representative Werdel, James B. Black, and Robert H. Gerdes, both of the Pacific Gas and Electric Co., and E. Abel, California Farm Bureau Federation, on Central Valley project; Representative Johnson on Solano County project; Senator Morse on reclamation projects; Representative D'Ewart on Montana projects; and Seth Levine, CIO, on fish and wildlife. Hearings continue tomorrow.

MILITARY JUSTICE

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee, in executive session, voted to report to the full committee H. R. 4080, to establish a Uniform Code of Military Justice. No announcement was made on nature of the amendments.

AIRPORTS, AVIATION, VESSELS, AND LIGHTHOUSES

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: In executive session, the committee voted to report routine nominations in the Coast Guard, and nine bills, as follows:

Without amendment: S. 1279, to amend the Federal Airport Act to provide that minimum rates of wages need be specified only in contracts in excess of $2,000; and H. R. 4471, regulating hours of duty and pay of civilian keepers of lighthouses and civilians employed in lightships and other vessels of the Coast Guard; and

With amendment: S. 1278, to fix U. S. share of project costs involved in installation of high-intensity lighting on CAA-designated instrument-landing runways; S.

1280, to amend the Federal Airport Act to limit to 10 percent any increase of the amount stated as a maximum obligation under a grant agreement; S. 1283, to authorize the use of State-allocated funds for Federal airport projects in national parks, monuments, and the like (language of H. R. 4587 substituted for S. 1283); S. 1285, to authorize progressive partial payments to contractors under Federal airport program; S. 447, to amend the Civil Aeronautics Act to regulate transportation, packing, marking, and description of explosives and other dangerous articles; H. R. 781, to amend the Civil Aeronautics Act relative to purchase and transfer of supplies and materials necessary for the proper execution of functions in Alaska; and H. J. Res. 235, to continue until June 30, 1950, the authority of the Maritime Commission to sell, charter, and operate vessels.

AIR-LINE INDUSTRY

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: In pursuance of S. Res. 50, to authorize study and investigation of the financial condition and operating efficiency of the air-line industry, the committee heard the following witnesses discuss the executive agreement between the U. S. and Canada on air rights: Paul Barringer, Division of Transportation, Department of State; Joseph J. O'Connell, Jr., Chairman of CAB; Russell Adams, CAB member; and James Landis, representing Colonial Airlines.

IMMIGRATION—SUBVERSIVE ALIENS

Committee on the Judiciary: George Pirinsky, executive secretary-treasurer, Pan Slav Congress, and Alfred Neuwald, alias Matthew Torok, former operator of a Hungarian travel agency, appeared before the subcommittee under subpena to discuss their own prior activities in the U. S. in connection with the subcommittee's hearings on S. 1832, to amend the Immigration Act of 1918, to provide for exclusion and deportation of subversive aliens.

The subcommittee held a morning executive session on the subject of barring subversive aliens from the U. S., but made no announcement of action taken. Hearings continue tomorrow.

SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION BILLS

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee held further hearings on school construction bills, pending before the subcommittee, with Drs. Austin R. Meadows, Edgar Fuller, and E. L. Linderman testifying generally in support of S. 287, to provide for grants to assist States and Territories in construction of schools, as proposed to be amended. Hearings continue tomorrow.

NATIONAL HEALTH—MEDICAL EDUCATION

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Continuing hearings on national health bills, the subcommittee heard the following witnesses express their views on title I of S. 1679, and title VI of S. 1581, both sections dealing with medical education: Mrs. Eugenia K. Spalding, National League of Nursing Education, on behalf of American Nurses Association; Ella M. Thompson, National Association of Practical Nursing Education, New York; and Chancellor R. G. Gustavson, University of Nebraska, on behalf of Association of American Universities. Hearings will be resumed on June 20.

VETERANS

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: In executive session, committee voted to report favorably, without amendment, S. 974, to amend the Veterans' Preference Act of 1944 with respect to certain mothers of veterans, and S. 1977, to extend the time within which legislative employees may come within the purview of the Civil Service Retirement Act.

It voted to report with amendment S. 115, to amend the Veterans' Preference Act with respect to disabled veterans' preference in acquiring Government employment, and S. 1440, to amend the Civil Service Retirement Act to provide for payment of annuities to widows of retired employees without reduction in the annuities of such employees.

Committee voted to postpone indefinitely S. 94, 10-point veterans-preference bill, and S. 1648, preference to mothers of servicemen and women killed in action.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Sixteen public bills, H. R. 5060–5075; nine private bills, H. R. 5076–5084; and three resolutions, H. J. Res. 272, H. Con. Res. 90, and H. Res. 242, were introduced. Pages 7472–7473

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. R. 3445, to extend benefits of Civil Service Retirement Act to officers and employes of the Alaska Railroad Company and the Panama Canal Zone (H. Rept. 762);

Conference report on H. R. 1754, extending the time for the completion of annual assessment work on mining claims held by location in U. S. for year ending July 1, 1949 (H. Rept. 764);

H. R. 163, to authorize Sacramento Valley irrigation canals, as part of Central Valley project, California (H. Rept. 765);

H. R. 5060, legislative branch appropriation bill for 1950 (H. Rept. 763);

S. 257, to amend the Interstate Commerce Act so as to set up a statute of limitations on the time within which actions may be brought for the recovery of overcharges and undercharges by or against motor carriers, freight forwarders, and water carriers (H. Rept. 766);

H. R. 2214, providing for development and maintenance of the Baltimore-Washington Parkway and the Suitland Parkway as extensions of the D. C. park system (amended to omit Baltimore-Washington Parkway) (H. Rept. 767);

H. J. Res. 272, making temporary appropriations for the fiscal year 1949 (H. Rept. 768); and

Conference report on H. R. 3754, providing for the temporary deferment in certain unavoidable contingencies of annual assessment work on mining claims held by location in the United States (H. Rept. 769). Page 7472

Bomber Investigation: Adopted H. Res. 234, authorizing and directing the House Commitee on Armed Services to conduct thorough studies and investigations relating to matters involving the B-36 bomber. Pages 7433–7435

Federal Property and Administrative Services: After adopting all committee amendments, the House by voice vote passed H. R. 4754, to simplify the procurement, utilization, and disposal of Government property, to reorganize certain Government agencies. This bill establishes a General Services Administration, headed by an Administrator, answerable directly to the President, who would concern himself with the procurement, utilization, and disposal of Government property. This measure also provides for the transfer to the General Services Administration the functions of the following independent agencies: Federal Works Agency, National Archives, and War Assets Administration, as well as the Bureau of Federal Supply and the contract-settlement functions from the Treasury Department.

H. Res. 230, the rule for H. R. 4754, was previously adopted. Pages 7435–7468

Temporary Appropriations: Adopted H. J. Res. 272, making temporary appropriations for the fiscal year 1949. This resolution provides temporary funds for agencies covered in H. R. 4046, the second deficiency appropriation bill for 1949, which is now in conference. Page 7469

Federal Public Buildings: Adopted S. Con. Res. 46, authorizing certain corrections in the House engrossed amendment to S. 714, providing for acquisition of sites and preparation of plans for Federal public buildings outside the District of Columbia. Page 7469

Mining Claims Assessments: Adopted conference report on H. R. 1754, to provide for the suspension of annual assessment work on mining claims held by location in the United States, thus clearing the measure for the President. Page 7470

Mining Claims Assessments: Adopted conference report on H. R. 3754, providing for temporary deferment in certain unavoidable contingencies of annual assessment work on mining claims held by location in the United States. Pages 7470–7471

Committee Meetings

FARM PRICE SUPPORT

Committee on Agriculture: Pace special subcommittee considered Secretary of Agriculture Brannan's proposal to use the production-payment method of price support as distinguished from other methods of providing price support. J. M. Jones, executive secretary, National Wool Growers' Association, endorsed the production-payment plan and included mohair as a grade or class of wool; Clifford G. McIntire, assistant general manager of Maine Potato Growers, Inc., represented the National Potato Council; Charles W. Holman, secretary of the National Cooperative Milk Producers Federation, represented his organization as being opposed to the proposed program of production-payment method of price support for milk; Russell Smith, legislative counsel of the Farmers Union, endorsed the production-payment method of price support; Mayer Parodneck, manager of the Farmer Consumer Cooperative of New York City, endorsed the production-payment method of price support for milk; and Louis Slocum, secretary of Eastern Farmers Union, endorsed the production-payment method for eggs.

PAY BILL—PX'S-SHIP'S SERVICE INVESTIGATION

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee No. 2 agreed to report H. R. 5007, armed services pay bill, to the full committee tomorrow.

The Special Subcommittee on Post Exchanges, investigating the operation of post exchanges, ship's service stores, etc., heard the views of John Koehler, Assistant Secretary of the Navy, at its meeting today.

D. C. JUDGES

Committee on the District of Columbia: The Subcommittee on Fiscal Affairs considered H. R. 3901, to increase the salaries of the judges of the municipal court of appeals and the municipal court for the District of Columbia, but postponed further action for a study of the measure. Witnesses heard were George P. Barse, chief judge of the D. C. municipal court; Andrew McC.

Hood and Brice Clagett, associate judges of the D. C. municipal court of appeals; Larry Coe, president, D. C. Bar Association; Walter M. Bastian and Godfrey L. Munter, D. C. lawyers; and Allen Cuzier, who represented the Attorney General's office.

AID TO EDUCATION—COMMUNITY RECREATION SERVICES

Committee on Education and Labor: The Barden subcommittee approved for reporting to the full committee H. R. 4643, Federal-aid-to-education bill, amended.

The Kelley subcommittee at its hearings on H. R. 2026, Community Recreation Services Act, heard the testimony of the following witnesses: Dean T. B. Symons, director, department of extension, University of Maryland, and T. E. Rivers, National Recreation Association. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

PRISON LAND TRANSFER

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: The Subcommittee on Intergovernmental Relations approved for reporting to the full committee H. R. 4442 and 4445, bills relating to transfer of Vigo ordnance lands, in Indiana, for prison purposes. Testifying in favor of this legislation were James Bennett, Director, and J. D. Miller, budget officer, both of the Bureau of Prisons; and H. Parr Johnson, War Assets Administration.

KOREAN AID

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Acting Secretary of State James E. Webb and ECA Administrator Paul G. Hoffman testified at a meeting today on the subject of aid to Korea. Will consider this subject tomorrow morning in executive session.

ANTIPOLL TAX

Committee on House Administration: The Subcommittee on Elections heard the testimony of Representative Williams at today's hearings on anti-poll-tax legislation. Will meet on same subject tomorrow.

NATIONAL HEALTH

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: The Subcommittee on Public Health, Science, and Commerce continued hearing on H. R. 4312 and 4313, national health bills. Today's witnesses included James P. Davis, Director, Division of Territories and Island Possessions, Department of the Interior, and Ray Smith, Assistant Chief, Bureau of Agricultural Economics, both of whom gave the views of their respective agencies. Testifying in favor of the bills were Kenneth Kramer, director, insurance and health, Textile Workers Union of America; Nelson H. Cruikshank, director, social insurance activities, AFL; and Mrs. Joseph Stoll, chairman, subcommittee on health, Federal legislation committee, American Association of Social Workers. Statements were filed by Russ Nixon, Washington representative, United Electrical, Radio, and Machine Workers of America, CIO; Cornell Grossman, D. D. S., Millburn, N. J.; Joseph A. Beirne, president, Communication Workers of America; and Dr. Chester D. Swope, D. O., chairman, American Osteopathic Association. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

NATURAL GAS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: The Subcommittee on Petroleum and Federal Power, considering natural-gas bills, heard Nelson Lee Smith and Leland Olds, Federal Power Commissioners, who appeared at executive session to explain proposals pending before the subcommittee.

BASING POINT—ANTILYNCHING—INVENTION ROYALTIES

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 1 heard Senator O'Mahoney and Herbert A. Bergson, Assistant Attorney General in charge of Antitrust Division, on S. 1008, to define the application of the Federal Trade Commission Act and the Clayton Act to certain pricing practices (basing point). The bill was ordered reported to the full committee, with amendments.

Subcommittee No. 3 conducted hearings on private claims bills; also heard the following witnesses on anti-lynching and other civil-rights measures: Chairman Celler, and Representatives Keating, Hays of Arkansas, Lemke, and Case of New Jersey. (H. R. 155, H. R. 365, H. R. 443, H. R. 2182, H. R. 3553, and H. R. 4682 are the bills under consideration). Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

Subcommittee No. 4 heard former Representative Fritz Lanham and Roy C. Hackley, Chief of Patent Section, Department of Justice, on H. R. 2477, to provide for the adjustment of royalties and like charges for the use of inventions for the benefit of or by the United States.

SHIPPING PROGRAM

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: The Subcommittee on Maritime Affairs considered further the so-called long-range shipping program. Heard on this subject were Rear Adm. Charles D. Wheelock, Deputy and Assistant Chief, Bureau of Ships, Department of the Navy; Frazer Bailey, president, National Federation of American Shipping; Capt. W. F. Christmas, Assistant Chief, Office of Production and Planning, attached to the Munitions Board; and James A. Brownlow, secretary-treasurer, metal trades department, AFL. Hearings will be resumed on Tuesday, June 14.

VETERANS, PO FIELD SERVICE

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Continued hearings on H. R. 87, relating to the promotion of veterans of World War II in the field service of the Post Office Department. Witnesses heard on this subject were Representative Doyle; Harry Hayden, assistant national legislative representative, American Legion; Mr. Williamson, of the national legislative service, Veterans of Foreign Wars; Charles Foster, assistant director of national legislation, Disabled American Veterans; and Floyd Bishop, acting representative, National League of District Postmasters. Hearings will be continued on Friday.

D. C. GOLF COURSES

Committee on Public Lands: The Subcommittee on D. C. Golf Courses approved for reporting to the full committee H. R. 3544, to prohibit the Secretary of the Interior from making any contract or lease relating to D. C. golf courses. James B. Robinson, Assistant Chief of Concessions, National Park Service, answered questions regarding the audit conducted of S. G. Leoffler's operations by the National Park Service. Other witnesses were S. G. Leoffler, operator of the public golf courses in the District of Columbia; Oscar J. Bernstein, CPA, auditor for the S. G. Leoffler Co.; Bertram Barr, auditor, General Accounting Office; and James E. Schwab, vice chairman, D. C. Recreation Board. Adjourned subject to the call of the Chair.

INDIAN BILLS

Committee on Public Lands: The Subcommittee on Indian Affairs approved H. R. 4510, amended, for reporting to the full committee. This bill provides funds for the Klamath County, Oreg., School Board for Indian and non-Indian children without discrimination. Representative Stockman spoke in behalf of this bill.

Also considered, but took no action on, S. 187, to provide the settlement of certain Federal obligations to the Indians of New York. Speaking against this bill were Mrs. L. G. Stillman, Chief Clinton Richard, Roy S. Jameson, John E. Whipples, Alexander General, Roy Snow, Rev. Glenn B. Coykendall, and LaFayette Kennedy. Subcommittee will meet again tomorrow morning.

COMMUNISM

Committee on Un-American Activities: Continued its investigation of alleged wartime espionage by Soviet agents. Steve Nelson, Communist Party organizer, was questioned today concerning his activities since arriving in this country. Later in an executive session other witnesses were questioned. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

VETERANS' COMPENSATIONS

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Testimony was received from the following Veterans' Administration officials: Guy H. Birdsall, Assistant Administrator for Legislation, Dr. John N. Wilson, Chief of the Tuberculosis Medical Section, and Mr. Henry Q. Brooks, of the Claims Service, on H. R. 896, to restore full compensation awards in World War I presumptively service-connected cases, and H. R. 901, to provide minimum ratings for service-connected arrested tuberculosis. Hearings continue tomorrow at 10:30 a. m.

ALCOHOL PERMITS—IMPORTS—TAXES

Committee on Ways and Means: Ordered the following bills reported to the House:

H. R. 3905, to amend the Internal Revenue Code, by granting subpena powers to Commissioner of Internal Revenue in cases involving permits for industrial alcohol manufacturers;

H. J. Res. 242, extending time for free importation of gifts from U. S. armed forces overseas; and

A clean bill, to be introduced in lieu of H. R. 5004, to accord privileges of free importation to members of the armed forces of other United Nations.

Also considered, but took no action on, H. R. 4965, to grant certain extension of time for tax purposes, and to facilitate tax administration.

Joint Committee Meetings

ATOMIC ENERGY

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Continuing hearings on the investigation of the AEC administration, the committee heard the following witnesses discuss the physical security of area D at the Argonne National Laboratory, Chicago, the mechanics of personnel security clearances, and the policy of the AEC governing shipments of radio isotopes to foreign countries: AEC Chairman David E. Lilienthal, AEC Commissioners Dr. Henry D. Smyth and Lewis L. Strauss, and C. Ken Weidner, representing the University of Chicago. Hearings continue tomorrow.

Thursday, June 9, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate continued debate on Taft-Hartley repeal.

House passed legislative branch appropriation bill and cleared Members' clerk hire bill for the President.

Bills on military justice, veterans, aviation, and duck stamps were ordered reported to Senate.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 7474–7480

Bills Introduced: Six bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 2026 to S. 2031; and S. J. Res. 105. Page 7475

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 1742, removing certain restrictions on certain lands authorized to be conveyed to the trustees of Porter Academy (S. Rept. 478);

S. 771, providing for renewal of and adjustment of compensation under contracts for carrying mail on water routes (S. Rept. 479);

S. 2010, to extend for 2 years the authority of the VA Administrator to enter into 5-year leases (S. Rept. 480);

S. 1688, to provide for certain adjustments on the promotion list of the Medical Service Corps of the Regular Army, with amendment (S. Rept. 481);

S. 12, to amend the CAA of 1938 relating to air agreements with foreign governments (S. Rept. 482); and

H. J. Res. 235, to continue until June 30, 1950, the authority of the Maritime Commission to sell, charter, and operate vessels, with amendments (S. Rept. 483). Pages 7474–7475

Bill Referred: One House-passed bill was referred to appropriate committee. Page 7475

Bill Placed on Calendar: H. R. 4754, Federal Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949, was placed on the calendar. Page 7475

Deportation of Aliens: Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of S. 1985, supervision and detention of aliens awaiting deportation from U. S., and the bill was indefinitely postponed. Page 7475

Taft-Hartley Repeal: Senate continued debate on S. 249, National Labor Relations Act of 1949, repealing the Labor-Management Relations Act of 1947 (the so-called Taft-Hartley Act), with the Hill amendment to the substitute offered by Senator Thomas of Utah (adding to the listed unfair labor practices the refusal of a union to bargain collectively with employer) remaining the pending question at recess. Pages 7479–7502

Confirmations: The nomination of Georgia Neese Clark, of Kansas, to be U. S. Treasurer was confirmed, along with 322 postmasters, 11 Coast Guard, and numerous routine nominations in the Marine Corps. Pages 7503–7505

Nominations: One civilian and one hundred and sixty Army nominations were received, together with the withdrawal of one postmaster. Page 7503

Committee Meetings

GOVERNMENT ALCOHOL PLANTS

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Subcommittee held further hearings on status and future of Government alcohol plants, receiving testimony from the following witnesses: John I. Thompson, Department of Agriculture; S. S. Stein, Muscatine, Iowa; and Cecil Johnson, Omaha, Nebr.

FOREIGN-AID APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: ECA Administrator Paul G. Hoffman, accompanied by assistants, continued his testimony before the committee on H. R. 4830, foreign-aid appropriations for 1950. Hearings continue tomorrow.

INTERIOR APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee continued its hearings on H. R. 3838, Interior appropriations for 1950, receiving testimony on funds for Missouri-Souris project from Senators Young, Murray, Ecton, and Langer; Representatives D'Ewart, Lemke, and Burdick; Governor Fred G. Aandahl, of North Dakota; Kenneth F. Vernon, Bureau of Reclamation; and six citizens from Montana and North Dakota. Senators O'Mahoney and Hunt, Representative Wilson of Oklahoma, William Zimmerman, Jr., Acting Commissioner, Bureau of Indian Affairs, and secretary of Representative Gilmer appeared on funds for Indian Affairs; Representatives H. Carl Andersen and Hagen appeared on funds for Pipestone School; and the following witnesses appeared on appropriations for various items as follows: George Jacoby, Montana Contractors Association, on reclamation; Senators Johnson of Colorado and Millikin, Representatives Marsalis and Hill, Judge Clifford H. Stone and J. M. Dille, both of Colorado, on various Interior items affecting Colorado; Senator Pepper on Fish and Wildlife Service and parks; G. A. Wilkinson, Washington attorney, on Klamath and Menominee Indian funds; W. E. Tolson, Interior Department, on Park Service; and other representatives of the Interior Department on items for Fish and Wildlife Service, Government and Territories, and Virgin Islands Corporation. Hearings continue tomorrow.

MILITARY JUSTICE AND NOMINATIONS

Committee on Armed Services: Committee voted to report, with numerous clarifying amendments, H. R. 4080, to establish a Uniform Code of Military Justice, after the subcommittee had made its report to the full committee on the bill.

Committee also voted to report, without amendment, H. R. 263, easement for public highway and water pipe line in vicinity of naval air base at Santa Ana, Calif.; and H. R. 2417, to improve recreational facilities at Eglin Field, Fla.

It also approved, with a perfecting amendment, S. 1688, to provide for certain adjustments on the promotion list of the Medical Service Corps of the Regular Army.

The nomination of Gordon Gray to be Secretary of the Army, together with 49 nominations for promotions in the Marine Corps, were ordered reported favorably.

D. C. COMMISSIONER, AND D. C. PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS

Committee on the District of Columbia: In executive session, the committee considered and voted to report favorably to the Senate the nomination of John Russell Young to be D. C. Commissioner..

It also adopted a motion authorizing the Fiscal Subcommittees of the House and Senate District of Columbia Committees to sit jointly to make a survey of needed permanent public improvements in the District, and to make recommendations to the full committee as to the need for such improvements, the relative importance of the various proposals, and the method of financing the same.

D. C. CONTRACTS

Committee on the District of Columbia: Subcommittee received testimony from Irving Bryan and Lee F. Dante, assistant corporation counsels, and Roland M. Brennan, purchasing and contracting officer, in support of S. 1918, to authorize D. C. contracting officers to make contracts in amounts not exceeding $5,000.

VETERANS, AND CIGARETTE TAX

Committee on Finance: In executive session, committee voted to report, without amendment, S. 2010, to extend for 2 years the authority of the VA Administrator to enter into 5-year leases.

It also agreed to hold hearings, on June 15, on H. R. 195, to assist States in collection of cigarette tax.

The nomination of Mrs. Georgia Neese Clark, Kansas, to be U. S. Treasurer was reported favorably. Committee meets next Thursday on the nomination of Marion Harron to be a judge of U. S. Tax Court.

AVIATION, DUCK STAMP, AND FISH INDUSTRY

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: In executive session, the committee voted to report without amendment S. Res. 92, requesting Secretary of Interior to study the fish industry and recommend to Senate action for its relief; S. 12, to amend the Civil Aeronautics Act of 1938 relating to air agreements with foreign governments; and with amendment, S. 1076, to amend the Migratory Bird Hunting Stamp Act of 1934 and to increase duck stamp from $1 to $2.

The committee, in open session, before the above action, held hearings on S. 1075, to provide U. S. aid to States in fish restoration, and S. 1076, to amend the Migratory Bird Hunting Stamp Act of 1934, with the following witnesses appearing in support of the bills: Dr. Clarence Cottam, Assistant Director, Donald J. Chaney, Chief Counsel, and M. C. James, Assistant Director, all of the Fish and Wildlife Service; and Carl D. Shoemaker, conservation director, National Wildlife Federation.

IMMIGRATION—SUBVERSIVE ALIENS

Committee on the Judiciary: Louis Budenz, professor at Fordham University, who was formerly a Communist and chief editor of the Daily Worker, appeared before the subcommittee to explain the apparatus of communistic activities in the U. S. and the potential dangers now existing in this country as a result thereof, in connection with its hearings on S. 1832, to amend the Immigration Act of 1918, to provide for exclusion and deportation of subversive aliens. Hearings continue June 15.

MINIMUM WAGES

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee met in executive session to consider various minimum-wage bills pending before it. Not having reached any final decisions, it was agreed tentatively to hold another executive session on these bills on June 17.

SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee, continuing hearings on school construction bills, heard the following witnesses express their views on the proposed legislation: FWA Administrator Jess Larson; Maxwell H. Elliott, acting general counsel; Pere F. Seward, Bureau of Community Facilities, all of FWA; and Worth McClure, executive secretary, American Association of School Administrators. Hearings continue June 13.

GOVERNMENT PAY BILLS

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: In executive session, subcommittee held a general discussion of various pay bills pending before it, but took no action. Subcommittee adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Twenty public bills, H. R. 5085–5104; six private bills, H. R. 5105–5110; and six resolutions, H. J. Res. 273 and 274, H. Con. Res. 91, and H. Res. 243–245, were introduced.

Pages 7509, 7529, 7535–7536

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. R. 4406, to provide for the settlement of certain U. S. claims against foreign countries (H. Rept. 770);

Six private bills, H. R. 571, 632, 1034, 2456, 2806, and 5018 (H. Repts. 771–776, respectively);

S. 1557, appointment of an additional judge for the District of Columbia juvenile court (H. Rept. 777); and

H. R. 3901, to increase the salaries of judges of the D. C. municipal court of appeals and the D. C. municipal court (H. Rept. 778). Page 7535

Speaker Pro Tempore: Adopted H. Res. 243, electing Representative McCormack to act as Speaker pro tempore in the absence of the Speaker. Page 7509

Legislative Branch Appropriation: Passed, by voice vote, H. R. 5060, the legislative branch appropriation bill for 1950. This bill in addition to supplying funds for congressional administrative expenses also provides funds for the Botanic Garden, Library of Congress, and the Government Printing Office. The bill provides a total of $62,200,705 which amount is $11,697,479 below the budget estimates.

Rejected an amendment to insert $244,000 for the operations of the Joint Committee on Foreign Economic Cooperation. Pages 7509–7522

State, Justice, Commerce Appropriations: Disagreed to Senate amendments to H. R. 4016, the Departments of State, Justice, Commerce, and the Judiciary appropriation bill for 1950; agreed to conference requested by the Senate; and appointed Representatives Rooney, Flood, Preston, Cannon, Stefan, and Fenton to act as conferees. Page 7522

Members' Clerk Hire: Adopted H. Res. 240, providing for taking H. R. 4583, relating to telephone and telegraph service and clerk hire for Members of the House of Representatives, from the Speaker's table and agreeing to Senate amendments thereto. This move concluded legislative action and cleared the measure for the President. Pages 7522–7529

Panama Canal: Adopted H. Res. 245, to extend to September 1, 1949, the time for filing of report of subcommittee of Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries studying toll charges of Panama Canal, pursuant to H. Res. 44. Page 7529

Committee Meetings

RURAL REHABILITATION

Committee on Agriculture: Considered H. R. 2392 and 3244, relating to the liquidation of trust funds now held by the Secretary of Agriculture in the name of State rural rehabilitation corporations. Howard Rooney, Associate Solicitor, Department of Agriculture, presented a statement of the various acts which resulted in the rural rehabilitation corporations and also presented the legal argument of the Department in connection with the bills under consideration. LaMar Murdaugh, Assistant Administrator, and D. B. Lasseter, Administrator, Farmers Home Administration, testified and were questioned by members of the committee. Representative Fernandez spoke on behalf of the bill (H. R. 2392) introduced by Chairman Cooley.

PAY BILL

Committee on Armed Services: Ordered H. R. 5007, the armed services pay bill, reported to the House.

D. C. JUDGES

Committee on the District of Columbia: Ordered the following bills reported to the House:

S. 1557, to appoint an additional judge to the D. C. juvenile court; and

H. R. 3901, to increase the salaries of the judges of the D. C. municipal court of appeals and the D. C. municipal court, amended.

COMMUNITY RECREATION SERVICES

Committee on Education and Labor: The Kelley subcommittee concluded public hearings on H. R. 2026, Community Recreation Services Act, and received the testimony of Hugh Henry, superintendent of recreation, Radford, Va.; Mrs. Helena Hoyt, president, New York State Recreation Society; Julian Smith, chairman, Inter-Agency Council on Recreation, Lansing, Mich.; Wayne C. Sommer, secretary, American Recreation Society, Washington, D. C.; and T. E. Rivers, National Recreation Association, New York City.

KOREAN AID

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Maj. Gen. C. G. Helmick, former deputy military governor of Korea, testified at today's executive session on the subject of aid to Korea. Hearings will be continued next Tuesday.

ANTIPOLL TAX

Committee on House Administration: Subcommittee on Elections deferred action on anti-poll-tax legislation to give the House Judiciary Committee reasonable time to take action on H. J. Res. 214, which proposes an amendment to the Constitution relating to the qualification of electors.

NATIONAL HEALTH BILL

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: The Subcommittee on Public Health, Science, and Commerce considered title I, education of health personnel, to H. R. 4312 and 4313, national health bills, along with H. R. 3894, relating to grants and scholarships for education. Witnesses testifying today were Dr. Leonard A. Sheele, Surgeon General, U. S. Public Health Service, FSA, and Dr. Earl J. McGrath, Commissioner of Education, Office of Education, FSA; Dr. Herman G. Weisketten and Dr. Donald G. Anderson, secretary, both of the Council on Medical Education, AMA; Dr. Joseph Hinsey, chairman, executive council of the Association of American Medical Colleges, and dean of Cornell Medical College, New York City; and Dr. William C. Ezell, president, American Optometric Foundation. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

FEDERAL AIRPORTS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: The Subcommittee on Transportation held hearings on H. R. 4199 and 4239, amending the Federal Airport Act relating to appropriations available for grants for projects. Phillips Moore, Director, and Robert Cook, executive assistant, both of the Office of Airports, CAA, were the first witnesses to appear on this subject. They were followed by Col. A. B. McMullen, executive secretary, National Association of State Aviation Officials, who spoke in favor of H. R. 4239 and in opposition to H. R. 4199. A statement was filed by A. B. Curry, director, Dade County Port Authority, and vice president, Airport Operators Council, Washington, D. C. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

TORT CLAIMS—BASING POINTS

Committee on the Judiciary: Ordered reported favorably S. 1168, to exempt the Panama Railroad Company from the provisions of the Federal Tort Claims Act; also two private immigration bills. The "basing point" bill, S. 1008, was discussed but no action taken. Continued until next meeting, June 14.

VETERANS' PREFERENCE

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: The McCarthy subcommittee held hearings on H. R. 547, regarding preference of veterans on civil-service registers. Witnesses heard on this legislation were Miss Elizabeth Lipscomb, special assistant to the Chief Law Officer, Civil Service Commission; Charles Foster, assistant director of national legislation, Disabled American Veterans; Thomas G. Walters, operations director, Government Employees Council; Col. Charles I. Stengle, legislative representative, American Federation of Government Employees; Ross Messer, legislative representative, National Association of Post Office Maintenance Employees; and Willard L. Manning, president, National Rural Letter Carriers' Association. Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

MINING CLAIMS

Committee on Public Lands: The Subcommittee on Mines and Mining considered H. R. 388, to develop mining claims on land withdrawn for power sites. Committee prints were ordered. A discussion was had on proposed amendments to this bill by the subcommittee with Marion Clawson and Jacob Wasserman, both of the Bureau of Land Management, and John H. Sieker, of the Forest Service. Adjourned subject to the call of the Chair.

INDIAN BILLS

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Indian Affairs approved the following bills for reporting to the full committee: H. R. 1354, amended, to provide per capita payments to California Indians; H. R. 4901, to lease certain lands to Eastern Bands of Cherokee Indians, North Carolina; H. R. 3379, amended, to authorize the Bureau of Indian Affairs to make and accept loans of road-building equipment; H. R. 3282, amended, to repeal Indian liquor laws in certain parts of Minnesota; and H. R. 2724, amended, to provide a degree of competency for U. S. Indians in certain cases. William Zimmerman, of the Department of the Interior, was heard on all these measures. Adjourned subject to the call of the Chair.

ESPIONAGE

Committee on Un-American Activities: At today's investigation the committee questioned a man who attempted to leave this country on the *Batory,* the same ship on which Gerhart Eisler effected his escape. This man's wife was recently mentioned in the Coplon case as a Soviet agent. She is presently under investigation, having been denied a passport to travel to Japan in an attempt to follow her husband prior to her employment by the United Nations. Investigation will be continued tomorrow.

STENOGRAPHIC ASSISTANCE

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: The following officials of the Veterans' Administration testified on H. R. 906, furnishing stenographic assistance for service organizations chartered by act of Congress: Guy H. Birdsall, Assistant Administrator for Legislation; Cecil E. Goode, Personnel Management Section; and William Z. Bowie, Real Estate Section. Committee adjourned until June 15.

SOCIAL SECURITY

Committee on Ways and Means: Resumed consideration of proposed amendments to the Social Security Act and will continue on this subject tomorrow morning.

OIL IMPORTS

Select Committee on Small Business: In its investigation of the effects of oil imports on independent producers and royalty owners, the committee heard Eugene Holman, president of the Standard Oil Co. of New Jersey.

Joint Committee Meetings

ATOMIC ENERGY

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Continuing hearings on the investigation of the administration of the AEC, the committee heard AEC Chairman David E. Lilienthal and Commissioner Sumner T. Pike discuss the AEC program of foreign distribution of radioisotopes. Hearings continue tomorrow.

Friday, June 10, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate debated Taft-Hartley repeal.
Foreign trade zones bill approved by House committee.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 7537–7542

Bills Introduced: Eleven bills were introduced, as follows: S. 2032 to S. 2042. Page 7538

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. R. 263, easement for public highway and water pipe line in vicinity of naval air base at Santa Ana, Calif. (S. Rept. 484);

H. R. 2417, to improve recreational facilities at Eglin Field, Fla. (S. Rept. 485);

H. R. 4080, to establish a Uniform Code of Military Justice, with amendment (S. Rept. 486);

H. R. 4471, regulating hours of duty and pay of civilian keepers of lighthouses and civilians employed in lightships and other vessels of the Coast Guard (S. Rept. 487); and

S. Res. 92, requesting Secretary of the Interior to study the fish industry and recommend to Senate action for its relief (no written report). Page 7538

Bill Referred: One House-passed bill was referred to appropriate committee. Page 7539

Citrus Fly: Senate passed and cleared for President H. R. 4263, authorizing Agriculture Department to carry out operations to combat the citrus blackfly, white-fringed beetle, and the Hall scale. Page 7540

Mining Claims: Conference report on H. R. 3754, providing for temporary deferment in certain unavoidable contingencies of annual assessment work on mining claims held by location in the U. S., was adopted clearing the bill for the President. Pages 7540–7541

Virgin Islands: Senate passed, with reported amendments, H. R. 2989, to incorporate the Virgin Islands Corporation. A conference was requested and Senators Kerr, O'Mahoney, Miller, Butler, and Cordon, were appointed as conferees. Page 7541

Taft-Hartley Repeal: Senate continued debate on S. 249, National Labor Relations Act of 1949, repealing the Labor-Management Relations Act of 1947 (the so-

called Taft-Hartley Act). The pending question at recess was the Hill amendment to the substitute offered by Senator Thomas of Utah (adding to the listed unfair labor practices the refusal of a union to bargain collectively with employer). Pages 7542–7564

Nominations: Nine nominations in the Diplomatic Corps were received. Page 7564

Committee Meetings

CROP PRODUCTION—FATS AND OILS

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: In pursuance of S. Res. 36, authorizing investigation of matters relating to crop production and utilization, the subcommittee heard testimony by the following witnesses on the fats and oils situation in the U. S.: Frank B. Wise, National Renderers Association; Dr. John Lee Coulter, State Commissioners of Agriculture; Lloyd Halverson, National Grange (submitted statement); John O. Malott, Fats and Oils Division, PMA, Department of Agriculture; and Kenneth Mainland, Fats and Oils Branch, Food and Agriculture Division of the ECA.

FOREIGN-AID APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: ECA Administrator Paul G. Hoffman, accompanied by assistants, testified further before the committee in support of the proposed appropriations embodied in H. R. 4830, foreign-aid appropriations for 1950. Hearings continue June 13.

LEGISLATIVE APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee concluded hearings on H. R. 5060, legislative appropriations for 1950, after receiving testimony from various officials of the Senate with regard to funds for their respective divisions of activity. Subcommittee meets in closed session on June 14 to mark up bill.

INTERIOR APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Continuing hearings on H. R. 3838, Interior appropriations for 1950, subcommittee heard Senator Murray testify on various reclamation items; Senator Magnuson on funds for Bonneville Power Administration, reclamation, and Bureau of Mines; Clarence Cottam, Interior Department, and Frederick Schenck Barkalow, Jr., and Dr. Logan J. Bennett, both of North Carolina State College, on Fish and Wildlife Service funds; Senator Humphrey, Representative Blatnik, and others, on funds for Powder Iron pilot plant; Dr. James Boyd, and staff, on funds for the Bureau of Mines; James P. Davis, Interior Department, on supplemental estimates for Governments and Territories; and Assistant Secretary of Interior William Warne on Alaska program. Hearings continue June 13.

INTERNATIONAL BANK SECURITIES

Committee on Banking and Currency: Subcommittee held hearings on S. 1664, to amend the International Bank Act and Bretton Woods Agreement Act to relieve the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development of certain restrictions in dealing in and underwriting investment securities, with William McChesney Martin, Jr., Assistant Secretary of the Treasury, and John J. McCloy, president, International Bank for Reconstruction and Development, testifying in support of the bill. Lewis Loss, general counsel, SEC, appeared to inform the subcommittee that the SEC had no objections to the enactment of the bill.

NOMINATIONS AND INTER-AMERICAN AFFAIRS

Committee on Foreign Relations: In executive session, the committee voted to report favorably to the Senate the nominations of John J. McCloy to be U. S. High Commissioner for Germany, William C. Foster to be Deputy Administrator for ECA, and Milton Katz to be U. S. special representative in Europe with rank of Ambassador.

The committee also discussed at some length S. 1250, to amend the Institute of Inter-American Affairs Act of 1947, but reached no decision thereon.

AIR-LINE INDUSTRY

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: J. H. Parmalee, vice president, Association of American Railroads, and Mil Senior, chairman, Flight Radio Officers Air Safety Committee, appeared before the subcommittee to testify on financial aspects and operating efficiency of the air-line industry, in connection with the subcommittee's hearings in pursuance of S. Res. 50. Hearings continue June 13.

NATURAL GAS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee concluded hearings on S. 1498, to amend the Natural Gas Act to exempt independent producers and gatherers of natural gas, after receiving testimony in opposition to the bill from C. H. Lewis, Union Producing Co., Shreveport, La.; and Miss Anne X. Alpern, city solicitor, Pittsburg. Subcommittee meets on this bill in executive session on June 13.

UN-AMERICAN ACTIVITIES

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee met on S. 1194 and S. 1196, to protect the U. S. against un-American and subversive activities, to receive testimony from C. B. Baldwin, secretary of the Progressive Party, but the witness was excused without testifying because he refused to answer questions which the subcommittee deemed relevant and material.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Monday, June 13, at 12 o'clock noon.

Committee Meetings

MEDAL—MILITARY HOUSING—TIN ORE

Committee on Banking and Currency: The following bills were ordered reported to the House:

H. J. Res. 188, to provide for the coinage of a medal in recognition of the distinguished services of Vice President Alben W. Barkley, with minor amendment;

S. 1184, to encourage construction of rental housing on or in areas adjacent to Army, Navy, Marine Corps, and Air Force installations. The bill was amended to increase the authorization for FHA-insured mortgages under title II of the National Housing Act by $500,000,000—$300,000,000 effective upon passage of the Act and $200,000,000 additional at the discretion of the President—and to extend section 608, title VI, of the National Housing Act to August 31, 1949; and

S. 1433, to permit the RFC to sell tin ore to private industry for processing and repurchase the processed tin.

PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTIONS

Committee on the District of Columbia: Subcommittee on Fiscal Affairs considered H. R. 4059, to clarify exemption from taxation property of the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution, and H. R. 2856, to exempt from taxation certain property of the National Society of the Colonial Dames of America in the District of Columbia. Representative Wadsworth, sponsor, and Robert H. McNiel were heard on the first-mentioned bill. Representative Sasscer, sponsor, and Mrs. Julia Hitchcock spoke on the latter. No action was taken.

NATIONAL HEALTH

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: The Subcommittee on Public Health, Science, and Commerce continued consideration of title I, education of health personnel; on H. R. 4312, national health bill; and H. R. 3894, concerning grants and scholarships for education. Witnesses appearing were Mrs. Eugenia E. Spalding, R. N., member of legislative committee, American Nurses Association, Inc., and director, Department of Nursing Education, Indiana University; Miss Blanche Pfefferkorn, director of studies, National League of Nursing Education; Miss Margaret G. Arnstein, director, Division of Nursing Resources, U. S. Public Health Service, FSA; Miss Edith M. Beattie, chairman, committee on Federal legislation, American Nurses Association, Inc.; Miss Ella M. Thompson, president, National Association for Practical Nurse Education; Mrs. H. D. Butler, Washington, D. C.; Dr. Otterbein Dressler, dean, Philadelphia College of Osteopathy; Cornell Grossman, D. D. S., Millburn, N. J.; Dr. Francis J. Brown, executive secretary, American Council on Education; and Brig. Gen. James Stevens Simmons, M. D., dean, School of Public Health, Harvard University.

AIRPORTS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee on Transportation considered H. R. 4199, amending the Federal Airport Act. Witnesses heard on this bill were Phillips Moore, Director, and Robert Cook, executive assistant, both of the Office of Airports, CAA, Washington, D. C.; and Cyril C. Thompson, executive secretary, Airport Operators Council, Washington, D. C.

Also considered H. R. 4587, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to acquire, construct, operate, and maintain public airports in certain areas, and heard Conrad Wirth, Chief, Land and Recreational Planning Division, Department of the Interior; John Sieker, Chief, Division of Recreation and Land Uses, Forest Service, Department of Agriculture; and Robert Cook, executive assistant, Office of Airports, CAA.

This concluded hearings on both of the above bills.

COURT OF CLAIMS—BANKRUPTCY—POLICE

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 2 heard Chief Judge Marvin Jones, of the Court of Claims, on H. R. 2162, amending the Judicial Code, relating to the Judicial Conference, jurisdiction of the Court of Claims, etc. Also approved for reporting to the full committee, H. R. 3112, amending section 75 of the Bankruptcy Act relating to farmer-debtor relief, and H. R. 3113, to amend the Judicial Code and incorporate therein provisions relating to the U. S. Tax Court.

Subcommittee No. 4 approved for reporting to the full committee H. R. 4948, relating to policing the building and grounds of the U. S. Supreme Court.

VETERANS, POST OFFICE SERVICE

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Maurice B. Feimster, Commissioner of Administrative Planning, Post Office Department; and Ismar Baruch, Chief, Classification Division, Civil Service Commission, testified at today's hearings on H. R. 87, relating to promotion of veterans of World War II in the field service of the Post Office Department. This bill will be further considered at an executive meeting on Monday morning.

LAND CONDEMNATION

Committee on Public Lands: The Subcommittee on Indian Affairs considered H. R. 4877, relative to condemnation of lands north of Lawton, Okla., with Milton Keating, of the Lawton, Okla., Chamber of Commerce, speaking on behalf of the bill. Hearings will be continued on Monday.

MINING AND LAND BILLS

Committee on Public Lands: Ordered the following bills reported to the House:

S. 276, to authorize rehabilitation of certain works of Fort Sumter irrigation district, New Mexico;

H. R. 2386, to authorize appropriation for construction and maintenance of a rare and precious metals experiment station in Reno, Nev.;

H. R. 4073, conveyance to New York of certain property in Fort Niagara State Park;

H. R. 4815, to provide for medical expenses to non-Indians in Indian hospitals; and

H. R. 4895, to permit prospecting, development, etc., of the mineral resources within the Superior National Forest, Minn.

The following bills were ordered reported with amendments:

H. R. 1726, to convey to the City of Hot Springs National Park, Ark., a perpetual easement for construction of a water-main pipe line;

H. R. 2592, a private bill;

H. R. 4208, to add certain surplus land to Petersburg National Military Park, Va.; and

H. R. 4584, relating to the Torres-Martinez Indian lands in California.

COMMUNISM

Committee on Un-American Activities: Questioned Giovanni Rossi Lomanitz, assistant professor at Fisk University, Nashville, Tenn., regarding possible association with the Communist Party. A former associate of the University of California radiation laboratory identified Mr. Lomanitz as having attended Communist Party meetings at which he was present. Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

FOREIGN TRADE ZONES—LIQUOR TAXES—SOCIAL SECURITY

Committee on Ways and Means: Ordered the following bills reported to the House:

H. R. 2158, to permit the manufacturing and exhibiting of goods in foreign trade zones in the United States, with amendments; and

A clean bill, to be introduced by Mr. Eberharter in lieu of H. R. 233, to amend the Internal Revenue Code to permit use of stamp machines for payment of tax on fermented malt liquors and to provide for establishment of brewery bottling house on brewery premises.

The committee continued executive discussion of proposed amendments to the Social Security Act and will continue on this subject Monday morning.

Joint Committee Meetings

ATOMIC ENERGY

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Committee met in executive session to discuss the matter of procedure in relation to personnel security cases in its investigation of the administration of the Atomic Energy Commission. By vote of 9 to 8 the committee adopted a motion by the chairman, as follows: that the "committee proceed in all cases, except case A, in executive session, reviewing all files (and if necessary examining the subject himself) after which the committee will review all the facts and issue a report."

Monday, June 13, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate ratified international wheat agreement.

House passed 17 District of Columbia bills.

Bills on Government expenditures, intergovernmental relations, and electoral college ordered reported to Senate.

National Science Foundation bill approved by House committee; armed-services pay bill cleared for House action by Rules Committee.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 7565–7572

Bills Introduced: Twenty bills and three resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2043 to S. 2062; and S. J. Res. 106 to 108. Pages 7568–7569

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 1946, to establish a National Commission on Intergovernmental Relations, with amendments (S. Rpt. 488);

S. 1977, to extend the time within which legislative employees may come within the purview of the Civil Service Retirement Act (S. Rept. 489);

H. R. 1837, to amend the Nationality Act of 1940 by correcting a typographical error in Public Law 567 of the Eightieth Congress (S. Rept. 494);

S. J. Res. 108, to reduce expenditures in the Government for the fiscal year 1950 (S. Rept. 498); and

The following private bills: S. 1405, H. R. 593, 716, 1136, 1858, 1981, and 3324 (S. Repts. 490 to 493, and 495 to 497, respectively). Pages 7568, 7569

Federal-State Relations: S. Res. 124, providing for printing as Senate document of report on Federal-State relations by Council of State Governments, was adopted. Page 7568

International Wheat Agreement: The International Wheat Agreement was ratified (Exec. M), S. 249, repeal of Taft-Hartley Act, having been temporarily set aside in order to bring up the agreement.

Pages 7572–7597, 7604–7605

Confirmations: The following nominations were confirmed: Gordon Gray, North Carolina, to be Secretary of Army; John Russell Young to be Commissioner of D. C.; John J. McCloy, New York, to be High Commissioner for Germany and Chief of Mission; William C. Foster, New York, to be Deputy Administrator for ECA; and Milton Katz, Massachusetts, to be Deputy U. S. Special Representative in Europe. Page 7605

Nominations: The nomination of Maj. Gen. Harold Roe Bull to be Commander, National War College, with rank of Lieutenant General, was received, along with three Coast Guard nominations. Page 7605

Committee Meetings

RURAL TELEPHONES

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: On Saturday, June 11, the committee held hearings on bills to provide for loans by REA to assist in providing telephone facilities in rural areas (S. 78, 121, and 1254), with the following witnesses testifying in support of such legislation: Senators Hill and Kerr (latter filed a statement); REA Administrator Claude R. Wickard; Billy Bryan, Brinkman, Okla.; and Tom V. Price, McComb, Miss. Committee adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

FOREIGN-AID APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Committee met in executive session with members of the Joint Committee on Foreign Economic Cooperation to consider the proposed appropriations embodied in H. R. 4830, foreign-aid appropriations for 1950. Hearings continue tomorrow.

INTERIOR APPROPRIATIONS—BUREAU OF RECLAMATION

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee, continuing hearings on H. R. 3838, Interior appropriations for 1950, heard Michael W. Straus, Commissioner, Wesley R. Nelson and Kenneth W. Markwell, Assistant Commissioners, and their assistants discuss generally the proposed appropriations for the Bureau of Reclamation. Hearings continue tomorrow.

D. C. APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee met in executive session to mark up for reporting to the full committee H. R. 3082, District of Columbia appropriations for 1950.

GOVERNMENT EXPENDITURES, AND INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: In executive session, the committee voted, by 8 to 2, to introduce and report a revised version of a joint resolution (S. J. Res. 108) to reduce expenditures in the Government for the fiscal year 1950. The resolution, as approved by the committee, proposes to reduce expenditures "as will in the aggregate equal not less than 5 per centum nor more than 10 per centum of the total amounts estimated for expenditure in the budget for fiscal year 1950 by all agencies, as adjusted to conform with the total amounts estimated for expenditure under appropriations and of funds actually made available prior to expiration of such session," but the funds for any agency may not be reduced by more than 20 percent.

It also approved, with an amendment, S. 1946, to establish a National Commission on Intergovernmental Relations.

AIR-LINE INDUSTRY

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Continuing hearings in pursuance of S. Res. 50, to authorize study and investigation of the financial condition and operating efficiency of the air-line industry, the committee received testimony by Sam J. Soloman, aeronautical consultant, directed primarily to the value of day air-coach service. Hearings continue tomorrow.

MERCHANT MARINE

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: The range of problems confronting the U. S. merchant marine industry and organizational factors of Merchant Marine Subcommittee were discussed by the subcommittee in closed session. Subcommittee adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

NATURAL GAS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee met in executive session to consider S. 1498, to amend the Natural Gas Act to exempt independent producers and gatherers of natural gas, but made no announcement. Subcommittee adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

ELECTORAL COLLEGE, NATIONALITY AND IMMIGRATION, AND PRIVATE CLAIMS

Committee on the Judiciary: In executive session, the committee voted to report with an amendment S. J. Res. 2, to amend the Constitution regarding the electoral-college system of electing the President and Vice President; H. R. 1837, to amend the Nationality Act of 1940 by correcting a typographical error in Public Law 567 of the Eightieth Congress, without amendment; one private immigration bill (S. 1405); and six private claims bills (H. R. 716, 1136, 1858, 1981, 3324, and 593).

Three private claims bills (H. R. 691, 1131, and S. 390) were referred to subcommittee for study.

Committee indefinitely postponed S. 476, making election day a legal holiday, along with 16 private claims bills.

WAR LOSSES

Committee on the Judiciary: Continuing hearings on H. R. 3436 and S. 873, to authorize relief in cases where Government has actual knowledge of losses which occurred under war contract, the subcommittee heard the following witnesses testify generally in support of the legislation: Senator Capehart; Morton I. Katz, counsel, and Edward S. Gremse, president, General Aircraft Corp.; Stephen J. Angland, Washington attorney; H. D. McBride, Monolith Portland Midwest Co., Los Angeles; John S. McKee, Lake States Engineering Co., Chicago; Charles J. MacGarvey, Allied Aviation Corp.; Thomas D. Caldwell, McGann Manufacturing Corp., York, Pa.; and Linton M. Collins, attorney, of Washington.

SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee on Construction of Educational Facilities continued its hearings on bills for school construction pending before it, with the following witnesses expressing their views on the proposed legislation: George J. Hecht, American Parents Committee, Washington; Nathan Gifford, Dover Township Public Schools, Toms River, N. J.; Angus McDonald, Farmers' Union, Washington; Alfred J. Marrow, Harwood Manufacturing Corp., New York; Frederick C. McLaughlin, Public Education Association, New York; and Dr. W. D. McClurkin, Peabody College, Nashville. Hearings continue tomorrow.

UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee on Disability Compensation opened hearings on bills to amend the U. S. Employees Compensation Act regarding disability compensation (S. 239, 800, 1245, and 1287), with the following witnesses testifying generally in support of such legislation: Ralph Wright, Assistant Secretary of Labor; Jerome J. Keating, National Association of Letter Carriers; R. A. Rice, president, Railway Mail Association; Leo E. George, president, National Federation of Post Office Clerks; Leo F. X. Gowen, chemist employee of Naval Ordnance Laboratory, White Oak, Md.; Ross Messer, National Association of Post Office Maintenance Employees; Floyd A. Bishop, League of Postmasters; George L. Waffle, president, National Association of Special Delivery Messengers of the U. S. Postal Service, AFL; and L. F. Kneipp, executive secretary, Organization of Professional Employees of the U. S. Department of Agriculture. Hearings continue tomorrow.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Fourteen public bills, H. R. 5111–5124; five private bills, H. R. 5125–5129; and six resolutions, H. J. Res. 275 and H. Res. 246–250 were introduced. Pages 7615–7616

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. R. 5007, to provide pay, allowances, and physical disability retirement for members of the uniformed services (H. Rept. 779);

H. R. 4963, to provide for appointment of additional Federal circuit and district judges (H. Rept. 780);

H. J. Res. 242, extending for 2 years the existing privilege of free importation of gifts from members of the armed forces of the United States on duty abroad (H. Rept. 781);

Two private bills, H. R. 2848 and H. R. 4804 (H. Repts. 782 and 783, respectively);

H. R. 160, amending section 801 of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetics Act, relative to relabeling costs, etc., on imported goods, amended (H. Rept. 784);

Disposition of executive papers (H. Repts. 785 and 786);

H. Res. 247, providing for consideration of, and 1 hour of debate on, H. R. 2214, to provide development, maintenance, and administration of the Suitland Parkway, D. C. and Md. (H. Rept. 787);

H. Res. 248, providing for consideration of, and 2 hours of debate on, H. R. 4963, to provide for the ap-

pointment of additional circuit and district judges (H. Rept. 788);

H. Res. 249, providing for consideration of, and 2 hours of debate on, H. R. 5007, to provide pay, allowances, and physical disability retirement for members of the uniformed services (H. Rept. 789); and

H. Res. 250, providing for consideration of, and 1 hour of debate on, H. J. Res. 228, authorizing an appropriation for the work of the President's Committee on National Employ the Physically Handicapped Week (H. Rept. 790). Pages 7715–7716

Virgin Islands Corporation: Disagreed to Senate amendments to H. R. 2989, creating the Virgin Islands Corporation under Federal law to succeed the Virgin Islands Company; agreed to conference requested by Senate; and appointed Representatives Peterson, Redden, Bentsen, Welch of California, and Crawford as conferees on the part of the House. Page 7606

Alaskan Boy Scouts: Agreed to Senate amendment to H. R. 1337, to authorize sale of certain public lands in Alaska to the Alaska Council of Boys Scouts of America, thus clearing the bill for the President. Page 7606

Second Deficiency Appropriation: Disagreed to Senate amendments to H. R. 4046, the second deficiency appropriation bill for 1949; agreed to conference requested by the Senate; and appointed Representatives Cannon, Kerr, Rabaut, Taber, and Engel of Michigan to act as conferees. Page 7609

D. C. Legislation: The House today considered and passed the following bills pertaining to the District of Columbia:

Sent to the Senate, amended:

H. R. 3901, to increase the salaries of judges of the D. C. municipal court of appeals and the D. C. municipal court.

H. R. 4237, to regulate the practice of optometry in the District of Columbia.

H. R. 3088, to grant a $330 salary increase, retroactive to July 1, 1948, to certain employees of the municipal government of the District of Columbia.

Sent to the Senate without amendment:

H. R. 4408, to extend rights to the U. S. Park Police as to time off duty commensurate with rights granted to Metropolitan Police.

H. R. 2021, to increase pension for widows and children of deceased and retired members of D. C. Police and Fire Departments.

H. R. 2437, revising salaries of teachers, school officers, and other employees of the Board of Education.

H. R. 4381, to provide sick and emergency leave for D. C. teachers and attendance officers.

H. R. 3368, to increase the maximum sum allowable by the court out of the assets of a deceased estate as a preferred charge for funeral expenses.

Cleared for the President:

S. 1134, publication of D. C. annulment actions.

S. 1125, payment of temporary maintenance in D. C. alimony cases.

S. 1127, notice to be given upon a petition for probate of a D. C. will.

S. 1129, nomenclature and practice prescribed by the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure.

S. 1131, settlement of D. C. decedent's estates at election of personal representative.

S. 1132, time within which caveat may be filed to a D. C. will after the will has been probated.

S. 1133, providing for appointment of attorneys to defend all uncontested annulment cases.

S. 1135, to provide a family allowance and a simplified procedure in the settlement of small estates.

S. 1557, appointment of an additional judge for the D. C. juvenile court. Pages 7607–7615

Committee Meetings

PRINTING

Committee on House Administration: The Subcommittee on Printing postponed today's scheduled meeting until Wednesday, July 15.

SCIENCE FOUNDATION

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Ordered reported favorably to the House H. R. 4846, to establish a National Science Foundation. A 24-member Science Board would be appointed by the President and confirmed by the Senate under the terms of this measure. As reported, the bill carries minor amendments.

VETERANS, FIELD SERVICE

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Postponed until Wednesday at 10:30 a. m., executive consideration of H. R. 87, relating to the promotion of veterans of World War II in the field service of the Post Office Department.

INDIAN BILLS

Committee on Public Lands: The Subcommittee on Indian Affairs approved for reporting to the full committee H. R. 4762, amending title 25 of the U. S. Code to empower the courts to remit or mitigate forfeitures of automobiles, vehicles, or conveyances. Considered, but took no action on, H. R. 1537, to confer jurisdiction on the several States over offenses committed by or against Indians within Indian country, and H. R. 4236, 4318, 4319, 4613, and 4614, Indian rehabilitation bills. William Zimmerman, Department of the Interior, testified on all bills, and Mrs. Charles Plummer, member of the Seneca Nation, and Mrs. Mildred Garlow spoke in opposition to H. R. 1537, the jurisdiction bill. Committee meets again tomorrow morning.

COLUMBIA VALLEY ADMINISTRATION

Committee on Public Works: Announced that public hearings would begin on Monday, June 20, at 10 a. m., on H. R. 4286 and 4287, bills to establish a Columbia Valley Administration. The schedule of witnesses to appear is as follows:

Monday, June 20, Secretary of the Interior Krug, Assistant Secretary Davidson, and Representatives Jackson of Washington and Mitchell, sponsors of the bills.

Tuesday, June 21, Secretary of the Army Gordon Gray, Secretary of Agriculture Charles Brannan, Assistant Secretary of Commerce Thomas Blaisdell.

Wednesday, June 22, Edward Falck, National Security Resources Board, and Dr. Paul J. Raver, Bonneville Power Administrator.

Thursday, June 23, E. H. Weston, John McCutcheon, Frank Stewart, Walter Pearson, Ronald Jones, Austin Flegel, Morton Thompkins, Henry Carstensen, and James Marr.

Friday, June 24, witnesses not heard on Thursday, to be followed by the Governors of Oregon, Washington, Idaho, Nevada, and other Governors.

Saturday, June 25, continuation of hearings if not completed on Friday.

PARKWAY—PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED—JUDGES—MILITARY PAY BILL

Committee on Rules: Granted open rules on the followings bills:

H. R. 2214, to provide development, maintenance, and administration of the Suitland Parkway, D. C. and Md. Representatives Whittington and Dondero spoke in favor of H. Res. 247, which provides 1 hour of floor debate.

H. J. Res. 228, National Employ the Physically Handicapped Week. Representatives Lesinski and Smith of Kansas favored H. Res. 250, which provides for 1 hour of floor debate.

H. R. 4963, additional judges for U. S. district and circuit courts. Representatives Celler, Lane, and Keating were heard on H. Res. 248, which provides for 2 hours of general debate.

H. R. 5007, armed-services pay bill. Representative Kilday favored H. Res. 249, providing for 2 hours of general debate.

Considered, but took no action on, a rule for H. R. 3191, providing compensation for injured Federal employees. Representatives Lesinski and Smith of Kansas were heard on this measure.

Committee meets at 2 p. m. tomorrow to consider a rule for H. R. 4009, the housing bill, in executive session.

SOCIAL SECURITY

Committee on Ways and Means: Considered proposed amendments to the Social Security Act in executive session and will continue on this subject tomorrow morning.

Joint Committee Meetings

PAPER CONTRACTS

Joint Committee on Printing: Committee awarded contracts on 101 lots of paper for the quarter starting July 1, 1949, for a total quantity of 29,759,000 pounds at a value, based on new prices, of $2,803,322.25. No award was made on two lots, totaling 30,000 pounds, because the only bids received were not in accordance with specifications. The coverage of the total quantity requested by the Public Printer was 99.9 percent, the highest coverage obtained since prior to World War II. The value of the schedule, based on the new prices, represents a decrease of $116,000.50, or 4 percent. This represents the fifth successive quarter during which price decreases have been recorded.

The committee also awarded contracts for 29 lots of envelopes for the semiannual period beginning July 1, 1949, for a quantity of 19,680,000, at a cost of $64,586.37. No bid was received on one lot covering 15,000 envelopes. The coverage for the total quantity requested amounted to 99.2 percent. The value of the schedule, based on new prices, represented a decrease of $7,667.30, or 10.6 percent under current prices.

ATOMIC ENERGY

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Dr. J. Robert Oppenheimer, Chairman of the General Advisory Committee to the AEC, appeared before the committee to discuss the relationship of radioisotopes to the AEC and the technical significance of the AEC's foreign isotopes program. Dr. Oppenheimer read into the record an evaluation by the General Advisory Committee as to the job done by the AEC in the technical and scientific phases of administering the AEC program.

Committee met in an afternoon executive session to discuss the procedure and agenda for future hearings. Committee adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

SECOND DEFICIENCY APPROPRIATIONS

Conferees met in executive session on H. R. 4046, second deficiency appropriations for 1949, and agreed to file a conference report on the differences between the House- and Senate-passed versions of the bill, but various amendments were reported in disagreement.

Tuesday, June 14, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate debated Taft-Hartley repeal.
House debated uniformed services pay-raise bill.
Senate committee reported legislative appropriations bill.
Housing bill cleared for House debate by Rules Committee.
Conferees reached agreement on Treasury-Post Office appropriations.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 7618–7623

Bills Introduced: 18 bills were introduced, as follows: S. 2063 to S. 2080. Page 7619

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 115, to amend the Veterans' Preference Act with respect to disabled veterans' preference in acquiring Government employment, with amendments (S. Rept. 499);

S. 974, to amend the Veterans' Preference Act of 1944 with respect to certain mothers of veterans, with amendments (S. Rept. 500);

H. R. 1694, to provide for return of rehabilitation and betterment of costs of Federal reclamation projects (S. Rept. 501);

H. R. 5060, Legislative Appropriation Bill for 1950, with amendments (S. Rept. 502); and

S. 1076, to amend Migratory Bird Hunting Stamp Act of March 16, 1934, and to increase duck stamps from $1 to $2, with amendments (S. Rept. 503).

Pages 7618–6719, 7653

Bills Referred: Seven House-passed bills were referred to appropriate committees. Page 7619

Taft-Hartley Repeal: Senate continued debate on S. 249, National Labor Relations Act of 1949, repealing the Labor-Management Relations Act of 1947 (the so-called Taft-Hartley Act). At recess the pending question was the Hill amendment (adding to the listed unfair labor practices the refusal of a union to bargain collectively with employer) to the substitute offered by Senator Thomas of Utah. Pages 7623–7653

Nominations: The nominations of Ellis O. Briggs, Maine, to be Ambassador to Czechoslovakia, and of Christian M. Ravndal, Iowa, to be Ambassador to Uruguay, were received. Page 7654

Committee Meetings

COTTON QUOTAS

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Subcommittee held hearings on two bills affecting the marketing quotas of cotton: In the case of S. 1971, to stabilize farm income and farm prices of agricultural commodities providing an adequate balance and orderly flow of agricultural commodities in interstate and foreign commerce, the following appeared to recommend enactment of provisions of the bill pertaining to cotton marketing quotas: Frank K. Wooley, Deputy Administrator, PMA; John Dean, Assistant Director, and E. D. Bell, both of Cotton Branch, PMA, all of the Agriculture Department, Russell Smith, National Farmers Union, endorsed the bill in general.

In the case of S. 1962, amend the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938 with respect to cotton marketing quota provisions, the following testified in support of the bill: H. L. Wingate, chairman, Pelham, Ga., Dr. C. R. Sayre, Stoneville, Miss., and J. A. Sweet, Mesquite, N. Mex., all of the steering committee, Beltwide Cotton Conference; Ralph Bunje, Fresno, Calif.; Elwood Smith, Casa Grande, Ariz.; R. F. Greenwell, Hayti, Mo.; W. L. Smith, Bakersfield, Calif.; J. C. Buie, Winnsboro, Calif.; Fred G. Sherrill, Los Angeles, Calif.; Harvey Adams, West Memphis, Ark.; E. H. Agnew, Anderson, S. C.; and Horace Hayden, Oklahoma City. Representative White of California recommended amendments to the bill. Hearings continue tomorrow.

INTERIOR APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Continuing hearings on H. R. 3838, Interior appropriations for 1950, subcommittee received testimony from Senator Hunt on funds for national park roads, and from Senator Ecton on funds for Montana projects, Bonneville Power Administration, and items for Fish and Wildlife Service. Wesley R. Nelson and Kenneth W. Markwell, Assistant Commissioners of Bureau of Reclamation, together with their assistants, also appeared to continue their testimony in support of funds generally for the Bureau of Reclamation. Hearings continue tomorrow.

LEGISLATIVE APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: In executive session, committee voted to report with amendments H. R. 5060, legislative appropriations for 1950. By vote of 14 to 4, the committee eliminated funds for construction of proposed new Senate Office Building.

Before the action by the full committee, in a morning session, the subcommittee met to mark the bill up for reporting to the full committee.

DEFENSE HOUSING

Committee on Armed Services: The following witnesses appeared before the subcommittee to testify in support of S. 1053, to authorize use of rental and operating income from defense housing facilities of the National Military Establishment for payment in lieu of taxes: Senator Knowland; Representative McKinnon; Berchmans T. Fitzpatrick, Assistant Administrator, Housing and Home Finance Agency; and Capt. A. S. McDill, National Military Establishment. Hearings will be continued at a later date.

TVA DIRECTOR GORDON CLAPP

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee met to investigate the circumstances surrounding the newspaper report that the Army bars Gordon R. Clapp of TVA as unemployable for position as consultant in Germany, receiving testimony from the following witnesses: Secretary of Army Gordon Gray; Assistant Secretary of Army Tracy Voorhees; Clay Thompson, Office of the Secretary of Army; Edward J. Cottrell, Office of Secretary of Defense; Maj. Read W. Morrison, Maj. Roy R. May, and Richard C. O'Brien, all of the Personnel Division, OSA; Frederick L. Devereaux, assistant to the Assistant Secretary of Army; and Maj. Frederick D. Blanchard, Public Information Division of the Army.

INTER-AMERICAN AFFAIRS

Committee on Foreign Relations: In executive session, the committee considered S. 1250, to amend the Institute of Inter-American Affairs Act of 1947 extending the life of the Institute through June 1955 and authorizing $50,000,000 to finance it, but took no action. Committee adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

INTERIOR LEGISLATION AND COLORADO RIVER

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Committee met in executive session to consider pending calendar bills, including S. 75 (to authorize construction, operation, and maintenance of dams on the Colorado River at Bridge Canyon, together with certain appurtenant dams and canals) but took no action.

It did refer S. 17, to authorize Secretary of Interior to issue patents for lands to certain settlers in Indian reservations in Nevada, to a subcommittee consisting of Senators McFarland, Kerr, and Malone.

RAILROAD COMMUNICATIONS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee heard the following witnesses testify in opposition to S. 238, to require certain railroads to install communications systems and to establish operating and safety rules for operation of trains: FCC Commissioner E. M. Webster; James Souby and Graham E. Getty, both of the Association of American Railroads; and J. J. Breckenworth, vice president, New York Central Railroad. Subcommittee will resume hearings on June 23.

WAR LOSSES

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee continued hearings on H. R. 3436 and S. 873, to authorize relief in cases where Government has actual knowledge of losses which occurred under war contract, with Linton M. Collins, attorney, of Washington, continuing his testimony in support of the legislation. Donald MacGuineas, Department of Justice, appeared to give departmental information on the bill to the subcommittee. Subcommittee adjourned until Thursday.

SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Hearings were continued on bills for school construction pending before the Subcommittee on Construction of Educational Facilities with the following witnesses expressing their views on the proposed legislation: Senator Kerr; Oscar V. Rose, superintendent of schools, Midwest City, Okla.; Walter E. Stebbins, superintendent of schools, Dayton, Ohio; Glen T. Goodwill, superintendent of schools, Monterey, Calif.; W. E. Wilson, county superintendent of schools, Clark County, past president, Indiana State Teachers Association; A. G. Hudtloff, superintendent of schools, Clover Park, Wash.; J. W. Eater, superintendent of schools, Rantoul, Ill.; Sue Powers, superintendent of schools, Memphis, Tenn.; G. C. Burkhead, superintendent of schools, Elizabethtown, Ky.; C. B. McFadden, Moses Lake, Wash.; Nello Ori, president, board of education, Highwood, Ill.; A. J. Katzenmaier, superintendent, North Chicago, Ill.; and Herman F. Jaeger, Grand Coulee, Wash.

UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee on Disability Compensation continued hearings on bills to amend the U. S. Employees Compensation Act regarding disability compensation (S. 239, 800, 1245, and 1287), receiving testimony from the following witnesses: FSA Administrator Oscar R. Ewing; R. M. Lovelady, Canal Zone, and J. G. Yaden, Washington, both representing American Federation of Government Employees; Jesse V. Horton, National Association of Postal Supervisors; Roy Eldean, United Public Workers of America; George D. Riley, A. F. of L.; W. L. Manning, National Rural Letter Carriers' Association; Thomas G. Walters, Government Employees' Council, A. F. of L.; and Harry M. Leet, Government Workers Union, CIO. Subcommittee adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Eighteen public bills, H. R. 5130–5147; fourteen private bills, H. R. 5148–5161; and six resolutions, H. Con. Res. 92–94, and H. Res. 251–253, were introduced. Page 7686

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

Conference report on H. R. 4046, the second deficiency appropriation bill for 1949, amended (H. Rept. 791);

S. 1433, providing for domestic smelting of low-grade tin concentrates, amended (H. Rept. 792);

H. J. Res. 188, to coin a medal in recognition of distinguished services of Vice President Alben W. Barkley, amended (H. Rept. 793);

H. R. 2592, to issue a patent in fee to certain lands to John White Bear, amended (H. Rept. 794);

H. R. 4895, to permit prospecting, development, mining, removal, and utilization of mineral resources within Superior National Forest, Minn. (H. Rept. 795);

H. R. 4846, to create an independent agency of the Government to be known as the National Science Foundation, amended (H. Rept. 796);

H. R. 4815, to provide for medical services to non-Indians in Indian hospitals (H. Rept. 797);

S. 276, to authorize rehabilitation of certain works of Fort Sumner irrigation district in New Mexico (H. Rept. 798);

H. R. 2386, to provide for establishment and operation of a rare and precious metals experiment station at Reno, Nev. (H. Rept. 799);

H. R. 4584, to provide for disposition of lands on the Cabazon, Augustine, and Torres-Martinez Indian Reservations in California, amended (H. Rept. 800);

H. R. 562, amending section 801 (d) of Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act in relation to exports, amended (H. Rept. 801);

H. R. 3765, to promote the rehabilitation of Sisseton-Wahpeton Sioux Tribe of Indians and better utilization of the resources of the Sisseton Reservation, amended (H. Rept. 802);

H. R. 4800, to establish a nationally sound and acceptable policy for the disposal of mineral rights beneath the surface of farm lands acquired by U. S., amended (H. Rept. 803);

H. R. 5044, temporary extension of Second Decontrol Act of 1947 with respect to tin and tin products, amended (H. Rept. 804);

Nine private bills, H. R. 1017, 1601, 1782, 1795, 1857, 2253, 2530, 2807, and 3408 (H. Repts. 805–813, respectively);

H. R. 4948, relating to the policing of the building and grounds of the Supreme Court of the United States (H. Rept. 814); and

Conference report on H. R. 3083, the Treasury and Post Office Departments appropriation bill for 1950 (H. Rept. 815). Pages 7685–7686

New Member Sworn: Franklin D. Roosevelt, Jr., the Representative-elect from the Twentieth Congressional District of New York, presented himself at the bar of the House and took the oath of office, thereby filling the vacancy created by the death of Representative Sol Bloom. Page 7654

Imported Gifts: Adopted H. J. Res. 242, extending for 2 years the existing privilege of free importation of gifts from members of the armed forces of the United States on duty abroad. Page 7654

Uniformed Services Pay Raise: Adopted H. Res. 249, the rule for consideration of H. R. 5007, to provide pay, allowances, and physical disability retirement for members of the uniformed services. After debating the bill at length and reading the first paragraph, the House postponed further consideration of the measure until Wednesday. Pages 7656–7677

Committee Meetings

CLOTHING

Committee on Armed Services: The Special Subcommittee on Clothing took the testimony of the following witnesses at today's hearings: Stanley J. Cummings, executive secretary, National Association of Uniform Manufacturers, New York City; C. Alphonso Smith, Burlington Mills Corp.; and William B. Flickstein, secretary, Philadelphia Clothing Manufacturers Association, Philadelphia, Pa. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

TIN

Committee on Banking and Currency: Ordered reported to the House H. R. 5044, to continue for a temporary period certain powers, authority, and discretion in respect to tin and tin products conferred upon the President by the Second Decontrol Act of 1947. Assistant Secretary of Commerce, Thomas C. Blaisdell, Jr. testified in behalf of the bill. He stated, "The vital importance of tin to our national defense and the grave dangers to the continuity of production overseas lead me to recommend that the allocation powers which are about to terminate on June 30 should be extended for another 12 months."

KOREAN AID

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Continued hearings on the subject of aid to Korea and heard testimony of Dr. Edgar A. Johnson, director of Korean program, ECA, who will continue his testimony at tomorrow's meeting.

INLAND WATERWAYS CORPORATION

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Opened hearings on H. R. 328 and 429, to increase the capital stock of the Inland Waterways Corporation from $15,000,000 to $33,000,000. Witnesses heard today were Representatives Willis; Jones of Alabama, author of H. R. 429; and Boggs of Louisiana, author of H. R. 328; and Fred H. Smith, Assistant Director, Corporation Audits Division, GAO. Also testifying on behalf of the bills were A. D. Strong, secretary, Upper Mississippi Waterway Association, Minneapolis, Minn.; Louis A. Schwartz, general manager, New Orleans Traffic and Transportation Bureau, New Orleans, La.; Lewis I. Bourgeois, board of commissioners, port of New Orleans, La.; and Joseph D. Henderson, national managing director, American Association of Small Business, New Orleans, La. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

BASING POINTS—SUPREME COURT POLICE

Committee on the Judiciary: Heard Representatives Patman, Evins, Corbett, and Velde on the basing-point bill, S. 1008. The bill will be the first order of business at the next regular meeting of the committee.

Ordered reported favorably to the House H. R. 4948, relating to the policing of the building and grounds of the Supreme Court; also five private claims bills.

PANAMA CANAL TOLLS

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: The Special Subcommittee To Investigate Panama Canal Tolls heard the testimony of the following witnesses on the subject: Gregory S. Prince, Association of American Railroads, Washington, D. C.; Julius H. Parmelee, vice president, Association of American Railroads, Washington, D. C.; George W. Morgan, president, Association of American Ship Owners, New York City; and Walter J. Jones, legislative representative of Canal Zone Central Labor Union and Metal Trades Council, Panama Canal Zone.

Immediately thereafter, the subcommittee went into executive session and discussed the general toll situation. Adjourned subject to the call of the Chair.

SHIPPING PROGRAM

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Continued consideration of the long-range shipping program, and heard testimony of the following witnesses: Maywood Boggs, international representative, International Brotherhood of Boilermakers, Iron Shipbuilders and Helpers of America, A. F. of L., Washington, D. C.; John Green, Industrial Union of Marine and Shipbuilding Workers of America, CIO, Camden, N. J.; L. R. Sanford, executive vice president, Shipbuilders Council of America, New York City; and O. J. Baggerud, Marine Design Co., naval architects and marine engineers, Jersey City, N. J. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

POST OFFICE SALARIES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: The Whitaker subcommittee approved for reporting to the full committee H. R. 3383, to reclassify postal salaries with regard to night work. Witnesses testifying were Maurice B. Feimster, Commissioner of Administrative Planning, Post Office Department; Milton Wertz, attorney, G. A. O.; Dr. Ismar Baruch, Chief, Classification Division, Civil Service Commission; Joseph Faye, Assistant Director, Bureau of Old Age and Survivors Insurance, Social Security Board, accompanied by Roy Touchet, Acting Director in Charge of Management Planning and Service, Social Security Board; William Doherty, president, National Association of Letter Carriers; William C. Armbrust, president, United National Association of Post Office Clerks; Jesse V. Horton, legislative representative, National Association of Postal Supervisors; George Warfel, president, National Association of Special Delivery Messengers; James Yaden, president, American Federation of Government Employees; Robert Rice, president, Railway Mail Association; E. C. Hallbeck, legislative representative, National Federation of Post Office Clerks; Ross Messer, legislative representative, National Association of Post Office Maintenance Employees; and Floyd Bishop, acting representative, National League of District Postmasters.

CUSTODIAL SERVICE PROMOTIONS

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: The Herlong subcommittee held hearings on H. R. 1516, to pro-

vide annual automatic within-grade promotions for hourly employees of the custodial service of the postal service. Witnesses heard were Representative Battle, author of the bill; Frederick C. Cornwell, Superintendent, Division of Federal Building Operations, Office of the Fourth Assistant Postmaster General; Ross Messer, legislative representative, National Association of Post Office Maintenance Employees; and Col. Charles I. Stengle, legislative representative, American Federation of Government Employees.

LAND CONVEYANCES—INDIANS

Committee on Public Lands: Ordered the following bills reported to the House:

H. R. 940, to authorize public improvements in Alaska, amended;

H. R. 2517, to convey certain lands to Palm Beach County, Fla., amended;

H. R. 3765, rehabilitation of Sisseton-Wahpeton Sioux Indians, amended; and

A bill increasing period for which leases may be made in Idaho.

Also held hearing on H. R. 4671, to facilitate public participation in the preservation of sites, buildings, and objects of national trust for historic purposes. Testifying in favor of this legislation were Gardner Osburn, National Association, Sons of the American Revolution, and Ronald F. Lee, chief historian, National Park Service, Department of the Interior. Will meet again on Thursday.

HOUSING—INVESTMENTS—IMMIGRATION—MINING—FORESTS

Committee on Rules: Granted open rule providing for 8 hours' general debate on H. R. 4009, Housing Act of 1949.

Also granted rule providing 1 hour of debate on H. R. 4332, to amend the National Bank Act and the Bretton Woods Agreements Act to relieve the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development of restrictions in dealing in and underwriting investment securities. Representative Spence spoke in favor of the rule.

Reported to the House H. Res. 238, authorizing the Committee on the Judiciary to undertake study of immigration problems. Representatives Celler, Walter, and Fellows spoke on behalf of a favorable report.

Considered, but took no action on, rule for H. R. 976, to establish a Mine Incentives Division in the Interior Department, and H. R. 2001, to increase funds for national survey of forest lands. Representatives Peterson, Engle of California, and Senator Malone testified in favor of H. R. 976 and urged a rule. Representative McSweeney spoke in favor of the forest-survey rule. Will meet again tomorrow.

COMMUNISM

Committee on Un-American Activities: Heard testimony of Dr. Frank Oppenheimer, Minneapolis, Minn., and his wife at today's meeting in connection with its espionage investigation. Tentatively scheduled to meet again on June 24.

SOCIAL SECURITY

Committee on Ways and Means: Continued study of proposed amendments to the Social Security Act. Will resume on this subject again tomorrow.

Joint Committee Meetings

TREASURY-POST OFFICE APPROPRIATIONS

Conferees on H. R. 3083, Treasury-Post Office appropriations for 1950, met in executive session and agreed to file a conference report on differences between the House- and Senate-passed versions of the bill.

ARMY-CIVIL FUNCTIONS APPROPRIATIONS

Conferees, in executive session, worked on H. R. 3734, Army-civil functions appropriations for 1950, but failed to reach agreement to file a conference report. Conferees adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Joint meeting: Subcommittees on Fiscal Affairs of House and Senate District of Columbia Committees met in a joint executive session and agreed to appoint a subcommittee consisting of Senators Hunt and Schoeppel and Representatives Bates of Massachusetts and Smith of Virginia to conduct a study with District of Columbia officials for the purpose of developing a program for scheduling capital improvements beyond the immediate fiscal year.

D. C. DAY-CARE CENTERS

Conferees met in executive session to consider H. R. 3967, to continue child day-care centers in the District, but did not reach an agreement to file a conference report on the differences between the House- and Senate-passed versions of the bill. Conferees adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

Wednesday, June 15, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed legislative appropriation bill, and acted on amendments to Taft-Hartley repeal.

House passed uniformed services pay-raise bill.

Senate committee voted to report bills on housing and International Bank, and authorize coal operators investigation.

Approval of minimum-wage bill deferred by House committee.

Conferees agree on reorganization bill.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 7687–7691

Bills Introduced: Seven bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 2081 to S. 2087; and S. J. Res. 109. Page 7690

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 1664, to exempt International Bank for Reconstruction and Development of certain restrictions in dealing with and underwriting investment securities, with amendment (S. Rept. 504); and

S. J. Res. 109, extending for 60 days title I and Section 608 of National Housing Act, and to amend title II of National Housing Act by increasing funds by one-half billion dollars (S. Rept. 505). Page 7690

Bill Referred: One House-passed bill was referred to appropriate committee. Page 7690

Legislative Appropriations: By voice vote, Senate passed H. R. 5060, legislative appropriation bill for 1950, after taking the following action on amendments:

Adopted all committee amendments with the exception of one which was amended by Senator Ellender's motion to restore language authorizing purchase of furniture for Senate.

Rejected by 29 yeas to 52 nays, Bridges amendment to provide $9,000,000 for construction of new Senate Office Building.

Senate asked for a conference and appointed as conferees Senators Ellender, Chavez, McKellar, Bridges, and Saltonstall. Pages 7699–7704

Taft-Hartley Repeal: Senate worked on S. 249, National Labor Relations Act of 1949, repealing the Labor-Management Relations Act of 1947 (the so-called Taft-Hartley Act), adopting by voice vote the following amendments to the substitute offered by Senator Thomas of Utah:

(1) Hill amendment, adding to the listed unfair labor practices the refusal of a union to bargain collectively with employer;

(2) Aiken "free speech" amendment; and

(3) Humphrey amendment requiring unions to make a financial report to the Secretary of Labor and to their members.

The pending question at recess was the Douglas amendment to retain non-Communist affidavits requirement and to extend it to employers.

Pages 7691–7699, 7704–7720

Nominations: One civilian and five thousand and thirty-one routine Navy nominations were received.

Pages 7721–7732

Committee Meetings

COTTON QUOTAS

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: The following witnesses appeared before the subcommittee to recommend, with amendments, the enactment of S. 1962, to amend the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938 with respect to cotton-marketing quota provisions: R. E. Short, Brinkley, Ark.; Walter L. Randolph, Montgomery, Ala.; Delmar Roberts, Anthony, N. Mex.; John Taylor, Oklahoma City; and R. Flake Shaw, Greensboro, N. C.—all representing the American Farm Bureau Federation.

Rhea Blake, executive vice president, National Cotton Council, Memphis, appeared before the subcommittee to summarize the work involved in development of the proposed legislation. Subcommittee meets tomorrow on the same subject in executive session.

FOREIGN-AID APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Administrator Paul Hoffman; Richard M. Bissell, Assistant Deputy Administrator; and Dr. D. A. FitzGerald, Director, Food and Agriculture Division; and assistants—all of the ECA—continued their testimony in support of the pro-

posed appropriation in H. R. 4830, foreign-aid appropriations. Hearings continue tomorrow.

INTERIOR APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee concluded hearings on H. R. 3838, Interior appropriations for 1950, after receiving testimony from Senators Downey and Knowland; Robert H. Gerdes, Pacific Gas & Electric Co.; Wesley R. Nelson and Kenneth W. Markwell, Assistant Commissioners of Bureau of Reclamation, together with their assistants, on proposed funds for the Bureau of Reclamation and reclamation projects.

COAL CONTRACTS, GASOLINE PRICES, HOUSING, INTERNATIONAL BANK, AND COINS

Committee on Banking and Currency: In executive session, the committee voted to report without amendment S. J. Res. 109, extending for 60 days title I (on renovation of existing housing and construction of new low-cost housing) and section 608 of the National Housing Act (relative to insurance of housing and large-scale rental housing), and amending title II of the same act (relative to mortgage insurance) so as to increase the amount of funds authorized therein by one-half billion dollars; and S. 1069, to amend section 3552 of Revised Statutes, dealing with bullion and metal and proof coins, relating to the covering into the Treasury of moneys arising from charges and deductions.

Committee voted to report with a perfecting amendment S. 1664, to amend the International Bank Act and Bretton Woods Agreement Act to relieve the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development of certain restrictions in dealing in and underwriting investment securities.

Senator Robertson was authorized by the committee to make arrangements for hearings before its Small Business Subcommittee as to effect of the proposed plan to appoint a single negotiator for coal operators on the ability of small independent operators to continue in business.

It was announced that beginning June 27 hearings would be held on gasoline price increases. A staff statement was released giving a preliminary analysis of gasoline price increases.

CIGARETTE TAX

Committee on Finance: Committee opened hearings on H. R. 195, assisting States in collecting sales and use taxes on cigarettes, receiving testimony in support of the bill from: Senators Wherry, Long, and Hendrickson; Representatives Jenkins, Camp, and Simpson of Pennsylvania; Amos Tilton, State supervisor, Cigarette Tax Bureau, of Trenton, N. J.; Charles Conlon; and I. D. Meridith, Louisiana State tax collector.

Judge Thurman Arnold, Washington, D. C., appeared to oppose the bill. Hearings continue tomorrow

AIR-LINE INDUSTRY

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Robert F. Fix, president, Continental Air Lines, Inc., testified before the committee in connection with its hearings in pursuance of S. Res. 50, to authorize study and investigation of the financial conditions and operating efficiency of the air-line industry. He directed his testimony to the financial conditions of his own air line, and the following aspects of the air-line industry: mail pay, inflationary increases and operating costs, consolidated station operations, CAB supervision, voluntary company mergers, and experimentations in tariff changes. Hearings continue tomorrow.

FEDERAL COURTS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee heard testimony in support of S. 1681, to prohibit picketing of courts, by Charles S. Rhyne, Harold J. Gallagher, and Calvin Corey—all representing the American Bar Association—and C. S. Baldwin, attorney, of New York. Subcommittee adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee concluded hearings on bills pending before the subcommittee to authorize school construction, after receiving further testimony in support of the bills by Lewis G. Hines, AFL; Selma Borchard, American Federation of Teachers, AFL; George Gurnsey, educational representative of the CIO; Elmer W. Henderson, American Council on Human Rights; James Marshall, Board of Education, New York City; and Raymond Goodloe, Midwest City, Okla.

PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Subcommittee met in executive session to discuss Hoover recommendations on personnel management, particularly as applied to the Post Office Department, and the introduction of such a bill.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Thirty-six public bills, H. R. 5162–5197; eight private bills, H. R. 5198–5205; and three resolutions, H. Res. 254–256, were introduced.

Pages 7776, 7780, 7782–7783

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

Nine private bills, H. R. 1019, 1055, 1493, 1792, 2095, 2925, 3139, and 3501, and H. Res. 253 (H. Repts. 816–824, respectively);

H. R. 4208, to increase size of Petersburg National Military Park, Va., and to define boundaries thereof, amended (H. Rept. 825);

H. R. 5114, to amend the Internal Revenue Code to permit the use of additional means, including stamp machines, for payment of tax on fermented malt liquors, provide for the establishment of brewery bottling house on brewery premises, etc. (H. Rept. 826);

H. Res. 238, to authorize the Committee on the Judiciary to undertake a study of immigration problems (H. Rept. 827);

H. R. 4943, to increase the period for which leases may be made of public lands granted to the State of Idaho for educational purposes (H. Rept. 828);

H. R. 4585, to convey farming lands to Leavenworth Penitentiary (H. Rept. 829);

S. 1168, tort claims against the Panama Railroad (H. Rept. 830);

H. R. 1458, a private bill (H. Rept. 831);

H. R. 3905, amending Internal Revenue Code by adding new section relating to the jurisdiction, powers, and duties of the Commissioner (H. Rept. 832);

H. R. 5086, to accord privileges of free importation to members of the armed forces of other nations (H. Rept. 833);

For H. Repts. 834–841, see under "Administrative Resolutions," this Digest; and

H. Res. 256, rule providing 1 hour debate on H. R. 4332, to amend the National Bank Act and the Bretton Woods Agreements Act to relieve the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development of restrictions in dealing in and underwriting investment securities (H. Rept. 842). Page 7782

Civil Functions Appropriation: Appointed Representatives McGrath and Engel of Michigan as additional House conferees on H. R. 3734, civil-functions appropriation bill for 1950. Page 7734

Second Deficiency Appropriation: Adopted conference report (Rept. No. 791) on H. R. 4046, the second deficiency appropriation bill for 1949. On the 11 amendments in disagreement the House receded and concurred in 5 instances; insisted on its disagreement in 3 others; and receded and concurred in the Senate amendment with a further amendment in 3 instances; and sent it to the Senate. Pages 7735–7739

Treasury-Post Office Appropriation: Adopted conference report (Rept. No. 815) on H. R. 3083, Treasury and Post Office Departments appropriation bill for 1950. On the four amendments in disagreement, the House insisted on its disagreement in three instances and receded and concurred in the other amendment.

Pages 7739–7744

Uniformed Services Pay Raise: Resumed consideration of, and passed by voice vote after defeating a recommittal move, H. R. 5007, to provide pay, allowances, and physical disability retirement for members of the uniformed services.

Prior to passage of this measure, the House rejected amendments to further revise the basic pay and the hazardous-duty pay schedules and adopted a committee amendment reducing the officers' basic allowance for subsistence $3 per month. Pages 7744–7775

Administrative Resolutions: Considered, reported, and agreed to the following resolutions from the Committee on House Administration:

H. Res. 242, to provide $25,000 for the expenses of investigations and studies by the Committee on Armed Services (H. Rept. 834);

H. Res. 255, providing for additional compensation per annum for certain employees of the House of Representatives (H. Rept. 835);

H. Con. Res. 57, authorizing the House Committee on the Judiciary to have printed additional copies of the hearings held before said committee on the bills entitled "To Amend the Constitution With Respect to Election of President and Vice President" (H. Rept. 836);

S. Con. Res. 19, authorizing the printing of additional copies of the prayers offered by Senate Chaplain, Rev. Peter Marshall, D. D., during the Eightieth and Eighty-first Congresses (H. Rept. 837);

H. Con. Res. 45, authorizing the Committee on Foreign Affairs to procure 2,000 additional copies of its hearings on the bill (H. R. 2362) to amend an act entitled "The Economic Cooperation Act of 1948" (H. Rept. 838);

H. Res. 231, to provide for the printing as a House document a report of the proceedings of the National Resettlement Conference for Displaced Persons (H. Rept. 839);

S. J. Res. 55, to print the monthly publication entitled "Economic Indicators" (H. Rept. 840); and

H. R. 4878, to authorize certain Government printing, binding, and blank-book work elsewhere than at the Government Printing Office, if approved by the Joint Committee on Printing (H. Rept. 841).

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Committee Meetings

CLOTHING

Committee on Armed Services: Gordon Gray, Secretary of the Army, testified before the Special Subcommittee on Clothing. He was followed by Maj. Gen. Herman Feldman, Quartermaster General; Brig. Gen. Wendell Westover, Executive for Reserve and ROTC Affairs; Rear Adm. Edwin D. Foster, Chief, Bureau of Supplies and Accounts, Department of the Navy; and Brig. Gen. James W. Spry, Department of the Air Force. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

MINIMUM WAGE

Committee on Education and Labor: On the question to approve H. R. 4552, to raise minimum-wage standards, the committee voted 10 yeas to 10 nays, thereby deferring action on this measure until a later date.

KOREAN AID

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Dr. Edgar A. Johnson, director of Korean program, ECA, concluded his testimony on the subject of aid to Korea. Committee meets on this subject in executive session tomorrow morning.

APPROPRIATION AUTHORIZATIONS—PRINTING

Committee on House Administration: Ordered the following bills reported to the House:

H. Res. 242, to provide $25,000 for the expenses of investigations and studies by the Committee on Armed Services;

H. Res. 255, providing for additional compensation per annum for certain employees of the House of Representatives;

S. Con. Res. 19, authorizing the printing of additional copies of the prayers offered by Senate Chaplain, Rev. Peter Marshall, D. D., during the Eightieth and Eighty-first Congresses;

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S. J. Res. 55, to print the monthly publication entitled "Economic Indicators."

Committee will meet again next Wednesday, June 22.

FUR AND WOOL LABELING

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: The Subcommittee on SEC, FCC, and FTC ordered reported to the full committee a clean bill to be introduced in lieu of H. R. 97 and 3755, fur-labeling and wool-labeling bills.

INLAND WATERWAYS CORPORATION

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: The Subcommittee on Transportation continued hearings on H. R. 328, 429, and 4978, to increase the capital stock of the Inland Waterways Corporation from $15,000,000 to $33,000,000. The following proponent witnesses were heard at today's meeting: Charles Sawyer, Secretary of Commerce; Representative Hoeven; Senator Long; Doss H. Berry, general manager, Baton Rouge, La., Traffic Bureau; Mayor T. Hornor, Helena, Ark.; Judge J. G. Burke, attorney, Chamber of Commerce, Helena, Ark.; Robert H. Heinecamp, manager, transportation department, Omaha Chamber of Commerce, Omaha, Nebr.; C. A. Mitchell, commissioner, Memphis Freight Bureau, Memphis, Tenn.; and Lachlan Macleay, president, Mississippi Valley Association, Washington, D. C. Speaking in opposition to the bills were F. G. Robinson, traffic manager, Galveston Chamber of Commerce, Galveston, Tex., and Edward B. Hayes, attorney, Chicago, Ill., representing A. L. Mechling Barge Lines, Inc. Committee adjourned until Monday, June 20.

CAR THEFTS—PICKETING—CIVIL RIGHTS—INVENTIONS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 1 heard Judge Marvin H. Helter and Joseph J. Cella of the Criminal Division, Department of Justice; Edward M. Welliver, counsel, American Trucking Association; and M. McCarthy, representing the National Association of Used-Car Dealers, on S. 1483, H. R. 4786, etc., to amend the National Motor Vehicle Theft Act.

Subcommittee No. 2 met jointly with a subcommittee of the Senate Judiciary Committee in a hearing on bills to prohibit picketing of courts.

Subcommittee No. 3 heard Attorney General Tom C. Clark and Charles E. Wilson, Chairman of the President's Committee on Civil Rights, on H. R. 4682, the civil-rights bill. Also heard witnesses on private claims bills.

Subcommittee No. 4 heard the following witnesses on H. R. 4798, a bill to declare a national policy regarding the test of determining invention: Alexander C. Neave, New York Patent Law Association; Drury W. Cooper; Stephen Cerstvik, Aircraft Industries Association; Edmund H. Parry, American Patent Law Association.

LONG-RANGE SHIPPING

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Subcommittee on Maritime Affairs met in executive session to consider proposed investigations of the committee, following which it heard the testimony of Representative Havenner relative to its study of the so-called long-range shipping bills. Will continue on this subject next Tuesday.

VETERANS, FIELD SERVICE

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Ordered reported to the House, with minor amendments, H. R. 87, relating to the promotion of veterans of World War II in the field service of the Post Office Department.

COMMUNIST-FRONT MAIL

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: The Williams subcommittee approved for reporting to the full committee H. R. 1002, amended, to require identification of Communist-front organizations to appear on matter sent, or caused to be sent, by or from them through the mails, and to authorize the Attorney General to investigate to determine whether an organization is a Communist front.

INDIAN BILLS

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Indian Affairs reported the following bills to the full committee: H. R. 4755, authorizing an Advisory Committee on Indian Affairs; H. R. 4877, amended, condemnation of certain lands near Lawton, Okla.; and H. R. 5034, amended, taxation on Indian land in town of Lodge Grass, Mont. Subcommittee also considered, but took no action on, H. R. 4613, rehabilitation of Chippewa Creek Indians, and H. R. 4614, rehabilitation of the Gros Ventre and Assiniboine Indians. Witnesses appearing at today's session were William Zimmerman, Department of the Interior, and Representative Mansfield, author of the bills, H. R. 4613 and 4614. Subcommittee will continue on various Indian bills on Tuesday, June 21.

MINE INCENTIVES—SCIENCE FOUNDATION

Committee on Rules: Considered, but took no action on rules for, H. R. 976, to establish a Mine Incentives Division in the Interior Department, and H. R. 4846, to establish a National Science Foundation. Speaking in favor of the rule for the Mine Incentives Division bill were Representatives Engle of California, Lemke, White of Idaho, Baring, Bennett of Michigan, Bosone, and Short. Representatives Crosser and Priest spoke on behalf of a rule for the National Science Foundation bill. Committee will meet again tomorrow morning.

VETERANS' BILLS

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Heard testimony from VA Assistant Administrator for Legislation Guy H. Birdsall, and Cecil E. Goode, Personnel Management Section, on H. R. 906, providing service organizations with stenographic assistance, H. R. 910, reducing the disability requirement of the Dependency Allowance Act of 1948 from 60 to 10 percent, and H. R. 1157, redefining the terms "line of duty" and "willful misconduct."

The committee received a favorable report from its subcommittee on H. R. 4074, liberalizing hospitalization requirements for Spanish War veterans.

SOCIAL SECURITY

Committee on Ways and Means: Continued consideration of proposed amendments to the Social Security Act in executive session and will meet on this subject again tomorrow morning.

OIL IMPORTS

Select Committee on Small Business: The following witnesses testified in connection with the study of the effects of oil imports on independent producers and royalty owners: Rear Adm. Burton B. Biggs, Armed Services Petroleum Board; Col. Louis E. Cotulla, Armed Services Petroleum Purchasing Agency; Loring K. Macy, Office of International Trade, Department of Commerce; and Edward B. Swanson, Oil and Gas Division, Department of Agriculture. Adjourned subject to the call of the Chair.

Joint Committee Meetings

ATOMIC ENERGY

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: AEC Chairman David E. Lilienthal, AEC Deputy General Manager Carleton Shugg, and Dr. Harry A. Winne, vice president, General Electric Co., appeared before the committee to discuss the cost of construction of a secret atomic energy plant at the Hanford works, Richland, Wash. Committee meets again tomorrow.

REORGANIZATION

Conferees on H. R. 2361, Reorganization Act of 1949, agreed to file a conference report on the bill. As approved by the conferees, the bill embodies primarily the Senate-passed version, which does not exempt any Government agency from reorganization. The section providing for rejection by Congress of any reorganization plan submitted by the President, as approved by the Senate, was modified to provide for rejection of any plan by either House through the adoption of a simple resolution by a constitutional majority instead of a majority of those present (that is, either by 49 Senators in the case of the Senate, or 218 Representatives in the case of the House). Likewise, April 1, 1953, was the accepted expiration date for the President to submit reorganization plans to Congress.

Thursday, June 16, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

Both Houses cleared Reorganization Act of 1949 for President.

Senate continued work on Taft-Hartley repeal.

House passed bill authorizing additional Federal judges and cleared legislative branch appropriation bill for Presidential action.

Bills on civil-service employees, public lands, and rural trust agreements approved by House committees.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 7784–7790

Bills Introduced: Ten bills were introduced, as follows: S. 2088 to S. 2097. Pages 7787–7788

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 1440, to amend the Civil Service Retirement Act to provide for payment of annuities to widows of retired employees without reduction in the annuities of such employees, with amendments (S. Rept. 506);

S. 509, private bill (S. Rept. 507);

S. 1507, relating to the receipt of pay, allowances, travel, or other expenses while drawing a pension, disability allowance, disability compensation, or retired pay, with amendment (S. Rept. 508);

S. 1578, authorize Army Secretary to proceed with construction at stations of the Alaska Communications System, with amendment (S. Rept. 509);

S. 2093, to amend UN Participation Act of 1945 (S. Rept. 510);

S. 447, to amend the Civil Aeronautics Act to regulate transportation, packing, marking, and description of explosives and other dangerous articles, with amendments (S. Rept. 511);

H. R. 781, to amend the Civil Aeronautics Act relative to purchase and transfer of supplies and materials necessary for the proper execution of functions in Alaska, with amendment (S. Rept. 512);

S. 1278, to fix U. S. share of project costs involved in installation of high-intensity lighting on CAA-designated instrument-landing runways, with amendments (S. Rept. 513);

S. 1279, to amend the Federal Airport Act to provide that minimum rates of wages need be specified only in contracts in excess of $2,000 (S. Rept. 514). Page 7787

Bills Referred: Two House-passed bills were referred to appropriate committees. Page 7788

Reorganization: Senate adopted conference report on H. R. 2361, Reorganization Act of 1949, clearing bill for President's signature. Pages 7785, 7827–7839

Taft-Hartley Repeal: Senate worked on S. 249, National Labor Relations Act of 1949, repealing the Labor-Management Relations Act of 1947 (the so-called Taft-Hartley Act), adopting by voice vote the following amendments to the substitute offered by Senator Thomas of Utah:

(1) Modified Douglas amendment to retain non-Communist affidavit requirement and to extend it to employers;

(2) and (3) Two amendments by Senator Thomas of Utah, one setting the salary of members of NLRB at $12,000, and the other exempting persons subject to provisions of the Railway Labor Act.

Two amendments to title III (national emergency strikes) of the Thomas substitute were offered, one a substitute by Senator Taft authorizing antistrike injunctions in national emergency or permitting 60-day Government seizure of plants, the other by Senator Ives directing President to refer to Congress for legislative action questions of work stoppage involving national emergency, but providing for no injunctions or Government seizure. To each of the two amendments Senator Douglas offered a perfecting amendment providing for 90-day seizure of plants in strikes involving national emergency. These two amendments to title III, along with Douglas amendment thereto, were left pending at recess. Pages 7790–7791, 7794–7823

Treaty Received: President transmitted Convention on the Presentation and Punishment of the Crime of Genocide (Exec. O). Page 7825

Confirmations: One hundred and seventy-one nominations in the Army were confirmed. Pages 7823–7826

Nominations: One civilian nomination was received. Page 7825

Committee Meetings

COTTON QUOTAS

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Subcommittee met in executive session to consider S. 1962, to amend the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938 with respect to cotton-marketing quota provisions, but took no action. Subcommittee adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

MILITARY ESTABLISHMENT APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: In executive session, subcommittee opened hearings on H. R. 4146, Military Establishment appropriations for 1950, with Secretary of Defense Johnson; Wilfred J. McNeil, special assistant to the Secretary of Defense; and Franz Schneider, staff member, task force, representing Commission on Organization of the Executive Branch of the Government, discussing the organization and appropriation for the National Military Establishment.

FOREIGN-AID APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: ECA Administrator Paul Hoffman, Richard M. Bissell, Assistant Deputy Administrator, and assistants, all of the ECA, continued their testimony in support of the proposed appropriation in H. R. 4830, foreign-aid appropriations for 1950. Hearings continue tomorrow.

ARMED SERVICES PAY BILLS, ALASKA, PUBLIC LANDS, AND NOMINATIONS

Committee on Armed Services: Secretary of Defense Johnson; John Hoen, executive secretary; Vice Adm. Will L. Fechteler, Navy member; and John E. Dahlquist, Army member, all of the Hook Advisory Commission on Service Pay, appeared before the committee to testify in support of H. R. 5007, to provide increased pay, allowances, and physical-disability retirement for members of the uniformed services.

In open session the committee voted to report with amendment S. 1578, to authorize Army Secretary to proceed with construction at stations of the Alaska Communication System, and S. 1507, relating to the receipt of pay, allowances, travel, or other expenses while drawing a pension, disability allowance, disability compensation, or retired pay (the amendment was in the nature of a substitute). It voted to report without amendment S. 509, private bill.

The committee also considered S. 1990, to amend section 429 of Revised Statutes so as to eliminate the requirement of detailed annual reports to Congress concerning proceeds of sales of condemned material, but took no action thereon.

The following two bills were referred to subcommittee for study: S. 862 and S. 863, authorizing Secretary of Army to convey certain lands to the city and county of San Francisco. Subcommittee consists of Senators Kefauver, Hunt, and Knowland. This subcommittee will meet tomorrow on these two bills.

One hundred and sixty-nine nominations in the Army were voted reported favorably.

RFC

Committee on Banking and Currency: Harvey Gunderson, Director of RFC, appeared before the subcommittee to testify in opposition to S. 1871, to prohibit the employment of RFC personnel by organizations receiving RFC loans. This concludes the hearings on the bill.

On June 23 RFC officials will appear before the subcommittee to discuss policy the RFC should follow in making loans.

CIGARETTE TAX

Committee on Finance: Committee concluded hearings on H. R. 195, assisting States in collecting sales and use taxes on cigarettes, after receiving testimony in support of the bill from Senator Thye (filed a statement); Representatives Jenkins and Rogers of Florida; Joe M. Whitaker, vice chairman, Oklahoma Tax Commission; Mary Good Krone, director of New York Miscellaneous Tax Bureau; Jerome Kaufman, National Association of Tobacco Distributors; and Eric Calamia, Retail Tobacco Dealers of America, Inc.

The following testified in opposition to the bill: S. S. McNeer, Huntington, W. Va.; Harvey Wilson, Murphy, N. C.; Frank Lee Dils, Covington, Ky.; William J. Story, Dover, Del.; and Milton V. Freeman, Washington, D. C.

AMERICAN RIVER BASIN—CENTRAL VALLEY

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Representative Engel of California, and Mel H. Davidson, planning and engineering for the Delta District in California, Interior Department, testified before the subcommittee in support of H. R. 165, reauthorize the American River Basin development as an integrated feature of the Central Valley project, California. Hearings continue tomorrow.

AIR-LINE INDUSTRY

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: David L. Behncke, president, Air Line Pilots Association, appeared before the committee to discuss air safety in connection with its hearings in pursuance of S. Res. 50, to authorize study and investigation of the financial condition and operating efficiency of the air-line industry. Hearings continue tomorrow.

FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee held hearings on S. 1973, to provide for procedural, appellate, and organizational amendments to the Federal Communications Act of 1934, with Guilford Jameson, president, FCC Bar Association, and E. B. Craney, Radio Station KXLF, Butte, Mont., appearing in support of the enactment of the bill. Rosel Hyde, Acting Chairman, FCC, endorsed the bill generally but suggested various amendments. Hearings continue tomorrow.

WAR LOSSES

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee concluded hearings on H. R. 3436 and S. 873, to authorize relief in cases where Government has actual knowledge of losses which occurred under war contract, after receiving further testimony from prior witnesses, along with Donald MacGuineas, Department of Justice, and Charles Johnson, GAO. Subcommittee adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

FEDERAL JUDGESHIP

Committee on the Judiciary: The nomination of Representative Eberharter to be U. S. district judge for western district of Pennsylvania was considered further by the subcommittee with the following witnesses testifying: Senator Myers; Representatives Eberharter, McCormack, Jenkins, Walter, Doughton, and Fulton; former Senator Guffey; former Representative Wright, of Pennsylvania; Judge Ross; Harry R. Hosick, Potter Title & Trust Co.; Jason Richardson and Robert Vanderrort, attorneys of Allegheny County, Pa.; Judge Kalodner, U. S. circuit judge; A. M. Oliver, attorney, Pittsburgh; Michael Burns, Newark, N. J., salesman; Lt. George E. Cooper, Metropolitan Police; Judge Samuel A. Weiss, Common Pleas Court, Pittsburgh; John F. Laboon, Pittsburgh County Commissioner; and John G. Buchanan.

VETERANS, AND CLASSIFIED CIVIL-SERVICE EMPLOYEES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Subcommittee met in executive session on S. 660, to preserve equities of permanent classified civil-service employees, and S. 1937, amending Veterans' Preference Act of 1944 for retention in Federal service of employees who have suffered loss of an eye or a limb, and agreed to make reports on these two bills to the full committee at its next meeting on June 21.

POSTAL RATES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Subcommittee held an informal round-table session to discuss S. 1103, to readjust postal rates, receiving various suggestions as to disposition and contents of the bill. Subcommittee adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Fourteen public bills, H. R. 5206–5219; six private bills, H. R. 5220–5225; and one resolution, H. J. Res. 276, were introduced. Page 7860

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

Conference report on H. R. 2361, to provide for reorganization of Government agencies (H. Rept. 843); and

H. Res. 257, providing for consideration of, and 8 hours of general debate on, H. R. 4009, to establish a national housing objective and the policy to be followed in the attainment thereof (the Housing Act of 1949) (H. Rept. 844). Page 7860

Government Reorganization: Adopted conference report on H. R. 2361, to provide for reorganization of Government agencies. Pages 7827–7839

Fort Brown, Tex.: Agreed to Senate amendment to H. R. 1338, transferring to the U. S. section of the International Boundary and Water Commission of a portion of Fort Brown at Brownsville, Tex., thus clearing the bill for Presidential action. Page 7839

Judiciary: Passed, by voice vote, H. R. 4963, to provide for the appointment of additional Federal circuit and district judges, after defeating a recommittal motion to include language barring appointment of more than two-thirds of new appointments from same political party, by 195 nays to 135 yeas.

Adopted several clarifying amendments and rejected, in Committee of the Whole, the amendment limiting number of new appointments to one political party.

H. R. 4963, is an omnibus bill embodying provisions of 21 other bills relative to appointment of additional judges; 24 additional judgeships are created by this bill.

H. Res. 258, the rule for consideration of H. R. 4963, was previously adopted. Pages 7839–7856

Legislative Branch Appropriation: Agreed to Senate amendments to H. R. 5060, the legislative branch appropriation bill for 1950, thus clearing it for the President. Page 7857

Committee Meetings

RURAL TRUST TRANSFERS

Committee on Agriculture: Ordered reported to the House H. R. 2392, to provide for liquidation of the trusts under the transfer agreements with State rural rehabilitation corporations. The measure was amended by reducing from 5 years to 3 years the time in which application should be made, or upon receipt of a disclaimer or release of interest under the trust transfer agreement. The proceeds from assets shall be covered into the Treasury to the account of the Farmers Home Administration to be used within said State.

TERMINAL LEAVE PAY—CLOTHING

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee No. 2 approved for reporting to the full committee H. R. 540, providing terminal leave pay for certain officers of the Navy and Marine Corps, with an amendment.

Testifying before the Special Subcommittee on Clothing were Rear Adm. Edwin D. Foster, Chief, Bureau of Supplies and Accounts, Navy Department; Brig. Gen. Wendell Westover, Executive for Reserve and ROTC Affairs; and Brig. Gen. Andrew E. Creesy, United States Marine Corps. Subcommittee will continue hearings tomorrow morning.

MINE SAFETY

Committee on Education and Labor: Kelley subcommittee opened hearings on H. R. 3023, providing for the welfare and safety of coal miners. Representative Price; Charles Ferguson, assistant safety director, United Mine Workers of America; and John J. V. Forbes, Bureau of Mines, Department of the Interior, spoke in favor of the bill. Speaking in opposition to the measure were James Haley, secretary, National Coal Association, and A. W. Dickinson, representing the American Mining Congress. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

KOREAN AID

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Continued executive discussions on the subject of aid to Korea and heard the following witnesses at today's meeting: Under Secretary of State James E. Webb; Assistant Secretary of State W. W. Butterworth; George Kennan, State Department; and Maj. Gen. C. L. Bolte and Brig. Gen. T. S. Timberman, both of the Plans and Operations Division, General Staff, U. S. Army.

NATIONAL HEALTH—NATURAL GAS—FUR LABELING

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee on Public Health, Science, and Commerce continued hearings on national health bills and heard the following witnesses testify on title II of H. R. 4312 and 4313, and related medical research measures: Assistant Surgeon General Rolla E. Dyer, Director, National Institutes of Health, Public Health Service, FSA; Dr. Austin Smith, Chicago, Ill., representing the American Medical Association; and Hulen C. Walker, field representative, American Foundation for the Blind, Inc., who filed a statement for Dr. R. B. Irwin, executive director of the foundation. Hearings will be continued tomorrow morning.

Subcommittee on Petroleum and Federal Power held executive meetings on the subject of natural-gas bills and will continue on this topic tomorrow.

The Subcommittee on SEC, FCC, and FTC approved for reporting to the full committee H. R. 5187, introduced by Representative O'Hara of Minnesota, to supersede H. R. 97 and 3755, to protect consumers and others against misbranding, false advertising, and false invoicing of fur products and furs. No wool-labeling feature is contained in this new bill as was mentioned yesterday in the account of the subcommittee's action.

SALARIES AND PROMOTIONS

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Ordered the following bills reported to the House:

H. R. 5100, to increase pay of certain officers and employees of the Federal Government and the District of Columbia;

H. R. 3383, to amend the act to reclassify postal salaries, regarding night work;

H. R. 1516, to provide annual automatic within-grade promotions for hourly employees of the custodial service of the postal service; and

H. R. 5143, to authorize certain administrative expenses in the Post Office Department.

Also agreed that the committee shall hold a regular meeting every Thursday instead of the first and third Thursdays of each month.

MINING—INDIANS—RECLAMATION

Committee on Public Lands: Ordered the following bills reported to the House:

H. R. 2678, to permit the leasing of school lands within Wyoming for mineral purposes for terms in excess of 10 years;

H. R. 4510, amended, providing funds for the Klamath County, Oreg., School Board for Indian and non-Indian children without discrimination;

H. R. 5034, amended, taxation on Indian land in town of Lodge Grass, Mont.;

H. R. 5134, to promote development in cooperation with the State of Colorado of the fish, wildlife, and recreational aspects of the Colorado-Big Thompson Federal reclamation project; and

H. R. 5170, public participation in the preservation of buildings and sites of national significance and historical interest.

APPROPRIATION ESTIMATES

Committee on Rules: Cecil B. Dickson, House Coordinator of Information, testified at today's executive session and explained figures and estimates of appropriations relating to bills passed and pending before the House. Committee meets again Monday, June 20.

VETERANS' COMPENSATION

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Guy H. Birdsall, Assistant Administrator for Legislation, Veterans' Administration, and Dr. William B. Dyess of the VA, Claims Statistics Service, testified on H. R. 908 and 909, to increase compensation and pension rates by 25 percent. Hearings will continue on Tuesday, June 21.

SOCIAL SECURITY

Committee on Ways and Means: Held further executive consideration of proposed amendments to the Social Security Act. Will continue on same subject at tomorrow morning's meeting.

Joint Committee Meetings

ATOMIC ENERGY

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Committee continued hearings on investigation of administration of the AEC, receiving testimony from Dr. Walter Zinn, Director of the Argonne National Laboratory in Chicago, and Dr. Ernest Thiele, assistant director of research for the Standard Oil Co. of Indiana, directed to the loss of uranium from the Argonne National Laboratory in Chicago.

AEC Chairman David Lilienthal appeared in regard to matters concerning security violations in certain published magazine articles; Carroll L. Wilson, General Manager of the AEC, also testified on security matters. Committee meets again tomorrow.

D. C. DAY-CARE CENTERS

Conferees on H. R. 3967, to continue child day-care centers in the District, met and reached an agreement to file a conference report; as agreed upon, $100,000 would be provided for child day-care centers instead of the Senate-passed figure of $150,000 and the House-passed figure of $50,000.

LABOR-FSA APPROPRIATIONS

Conferees on H. R. 3333, Labor-FSA appropriations for 1950, met in executive session to work out compromises between the House- and Senate-passed versions of the bill, but failed to reach final agreement. They meet again June 22.

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HIGHLIGHTS

Senate debated Taft-Hartley repeal.

Bills on D. C. appropriations, forestry, cotton quotas, American River Basin, classified civil service, and conveyance of public lands were acted on by Senate groups.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 7861–7864

Bills Introduced: Eight bills were introduced, as follows: S. 2098 to S. 2105. Page 7862

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 1280, to amend the Federal Airport Act to limit to 10 percent any increase of the amount stated as a maximum obligation under a grant agreement, with amendments (S. Rept. 515);

S. 1285, to authorize progressive partial payments to contractors under Federal airport program, with amendments (S. Rept. 516);

H. R. 3082, D. C. appropriations for 1950, with amendments (S. Rept. 517); and

S. 1283, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to acquire, construct, operate, and maintain public airports in certain areas, with amendments (S. Rept. 518). Page 7862

Bill Referred: One House-passed bill was referred to appropriate committee. Page 7862

Printing Resolutions: Senate adopted the following printing resolutions: H. Con. Res. 57, authorizing printing of additional copies of hearings before House Committee on the Judiciary relating to amendment to Constitution, and H. Con. Res. 45, authorizing printing of additional copies of hearings before House Committee on Foreign Affairs on ECA. Page 7864

Taft-Hartley Repeal: Senate continued debate of S. 249, National Labor Relations Act of 1949, repealing the Labor-Management Relations Act of 1947 (the so-called Taft-Hartley Act). The pending question at recess is the same as carried in yesterday's Digest (p. D396). Pages 7864–7891

Committee Meetings

HOGS

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Subcommittee heard Secretary of Agriculture Brannan, and Russell Smith, National Farmers Union, testify in support of S. 1721, to provide price support for hogs. Hearings continue tomorrow.

FORESTRY

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Subcommittee, in executive session, voted to make reports to the full committee on the following bills: S. 2, receipts from national forests to be used for range improvements; S. 282, to authorize appropriations for protection of forest lands; S. 369, to provide for protection of forest lands in order to promote the production of timber; S. 1458 and H. R. 2296, authorizing appropriations to enable Secretary of Agriculture to cooperate with States relating to forest-fire control; and S. J. Res. 24, authorizing $30,000,000 annually for timber access roads to and in the national forests.

The subcommittee made no announcement of the specific actions taken on each of these bills.

COTTON QUOTAS

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Subcommittee, in executive session, voted to report to the full committee with amendments S. 1962, to amend the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938 with respect to cotton marketing quota provisions.

D. C. APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: In executive session, the committee voted to report H. R. 3082, D. C. appropriations for 1950. As approved by the committee, the bill would appropriate $103,132,153, an increase of $4,208,532 over the House-approved figure. As approved by the House the bill would appropriate $98,923,621. The regular and supplemental estimates on which the Senate committee action is based total $103,878,727.

FOREIGN-AID APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: ECA Administrator Paul Hoffman, Richard M. Bissell, Assistant Deputy Administrator, and assistants, all of the ECA, continued their testimony in support of the proposed appropriation in H. R. 4830, foreign-aid appropriations for 1950. Hearings continue June 20.

INDEPENDENT OFFICES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee met in executive session to mark up for reporting to the full committee H. R. 4177, independent offices appropriations for 1950, but did not conclude its work. Will meet again June 20.

SAN FRANCISCO—CONVEYANCE OF LAND

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee voted to report to the full committee S. 862 and S. 863, conveyance of certain lands to city and county of San Francisco, after receiving testimony in support of the measures by Francis V. Keesling, Jr., representing city of San Francisco; Lt. Col. R. M. Reichel and Philip Keleher, both representing U. S. Army; and Howard Bernstein and John E. Willoughby, both representing the VA. The representatives of both the VA and Army suggested amendments.

ARMED SERVICES PAY BILL

Committee on Armed Services: Continuing hearings on H. R. 5007, to provide increased pay, allowances, and physical-disability retirement for members of the uniformed services, the committee heard further testimony in support of the bill from Charles R. Hook, chairman; Vice Adm. Will L. Fechteler, Navy member; and John E. Dahlquist, Army member, all of the Hook Advisory Commission on Service Pay. Hearings continue June 20.

CLAIMS AGAINST FOREIGN GOVERNMENTS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee heard testimony on S. 1074, settlement of U. S. claims against foreign governments, from Jack Tate, acting legal adviser, accompanied by Ben English and Samuel Herman, all of the State Department; Paul Neuberger and Asher Lans, Committee for Protection of Claimants Pursuant to U. S.-Yugoslav Claims Settlement; Manfred Sternberg, New York City; Lawrence C. Moore, attorney of Washington; and Emil Flesch, New York City.

AMERICAN RIVER BASIN—CENTRAL VALLEY

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Subcommittee voted to report to the full committee with amendment H. R. 165, reauthorize the American River Basin development as an integrated feature of the Central Valley project, California, after receiving further testimony from Representative Engle of California and Mel H. Davidson, planning and engineering for the Delta District in California, Interior Department.

FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee concluded hearings on S. 1973, to provide for procedural, appellate, and organizational amendments to the Federal Communications Act of 1934, after receiving testimony generally in support of the bill from Joseph Ream, vice president, CBS; Leonard H. Marks, general counsel, FM Association; Don Petty, general counsel, National Association of Broadcasters; E. K. Hartenbower, general manager, Radio Station KCMO and KCMO-FM, Kansas City; and Ward L. Quaal, director, Clear Channel Broadcasting Service. David Hume, Antitrust Division, Department of Justice, told the subcommittee that the Department opposed "enactment of this bill in its present form." Gordon Brown, WSAY, Rochester, N. Y., proposed an amendment to the bill.

FEDERAL PROPERTY AND ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES ACT

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Senator McClellan met in executive session with the committee to discuss the transportation and traffic-manage-

ment features of S. 2020, Federal Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949. The bill, which was referred to the Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments, has already been reported to the Senate.

It was agreed that a subcommittee of the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce would hold a closed conference on June 21 to discuss this matter with the Government agencies to be affected by S. 2020.

AIR-LINE INDUSTRY

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Sigmund Janas, president, Colonial Air Lines, testified before the committee, in connection with its hearings in pursuance of S. Res. 50, to authorize study and investigation of financial condition and operating efficiency of the air-line industry, directing his testimony particularly to Canadian-U. S. air agreement and the possibility of additional routes for the Colonial Air Lines Co. Hearings continue June 20.

DISPLACED PERSONS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee met in executive session on displaced persons bills, making a comparative analysis of the proposed versions, but did not conclude its work. Subcommittee adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

CIVIL RIGHTS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee heard the following two witnesses testify in support of S. 1725, to protect the civil rights of persons within the jurisdiction of the U. S., and S. 1734, to establish a Commission on Civil Rights: Thurgood Marshal, National Association for the Advancement of Colored People; and Rt. Rev. Maurice S. Sheehy, professor at Catholic University, appearing for the National Citizens Council on Civil Rights. Hearings continue June 22.

MINIMUM WAGE—FAIR LABOR STANDARDS

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee met in executive session to consider minimum wage bills pending before it, but reached no final decision. Adjourned subject to call of the Chair, perhaps to meet again June 20.

VETERANS, CLASSIFIED CIVIL-SERVICE EMPLOYEES, AND POSTAL SERVICE BILLS

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Subcommittee voted to report to the full committee with amendment S. 660, to preserve equities of permanent classified civil-service employees, and S. 1937, amending Veterans' Preference Act of 1944 for retention in Federal service of employees who have suffered loss of an eye or a limb.

The subcommittee also held hearings on S. 84, S. 1231, and S. 1232, postal-service bills, with H. B. Kremers, National Association of Letter Carriers; Thomas G. Walters, Government Employees Council, AFL; and George D. Riley, legislative committee, AFL, testifying to the effect that the subcommittee should substitute language of H. R. 4772 for S. 84, S. 1231, and S. 1232. Willard L. Manning, National Rural Letter Carriers Association, testified in support of S. 84, S. 1231, and S. 1232. Clarence N. Bruce, Office of the First Assistant Postmaster General, appeared in opposition to these bills, discussing the costs and the provisions thereof.

COMMITTEE EXPENDITURES

Committee on Public Works: Committee voted to report favorably S. Res. 123, increasing the limit of expenditures for investigation by Committee on Public Works not to exceed $50,000.

Committee postponed action on S. J. Res. 96, to change name of Pentagon Building to Forrestal Building until the authors of the bill can appear before the committee.

Committee resumes hearings on Columbia River Valley bills (S. 1595, 1631, 1632, and 1645) June 21 through June 24.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Monday, June 20, at 12 o'clock noon.

FARM PROGRAM

Committee on Agriculture: The Pace special subcommittee, after an all-day executive session, announced tentative approval of a draft of a bill, with accepted amendments, relative to national farm program. The committee will meet on the same subject on June 22, to further consider some proposed amendments and to take final action on the bill.

NAVY STAFF CORPS POSITIONS—CLOTHING

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee No. 1 agreed to report favorably, with amendment, to the full committee, H. R. 4639, to adjust the lineal positions of certain officers of the staff corps of the Navy. Appearing at today's hearings were Rear Adm. Thomas L. Sprague, Chief, Bureau of Personnel, Department of the Navy, and Rear Adm. George A. Russell, Judge Advocate General, Department of the Navy.

Maj. Gen. Herman Feldman, Quartermaster General, and Lt. Col. James E. Baker, Assistant to General Feldman; Stanley J. Cummings, executive secretary, National Association of Uniform Manufacturers; and Brig. Gen. James W. Spry, Department of the Air Force, testified at the meeting before the Special Subcommittee on Clothing.

MINE SAFETY

Committee on Education and Labor: The Kelley subcommittee concluded consideration of H. R. 3023, providing for the welfare and safety of coal miners. Witnesses included Richard Maize, secretary, Department of Mines, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; Carl Scholz and C. J. Flippen, both safety directors, West Virginia Coal Operators Association; J. H. Mosgrove, safety director, Big Sandy Elkhorn Coal Operators Association; and A. D. Sisk, chief, Kentucky Department of Mines and Minerals, all of whom spoke in opposition to the bill. Speaking in favor of the measure were George W. Grove and Marling J. Ankeny, both of the Bureau of Mines, Department of the Interior. A statement opposing the bill was filed for B. P. Manley, executive secretary, Utah Coal Operators Association.

KOREAN AID

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Held further executive discussions on the subject of aid to Korea and received testimony from Assistant Secretary of State W. W. Butterworth; George Kennan, State Department; and Maj. Gen. C. L. Bolte and Brig. Gen. T. S. Timberman, both of the Plans and Operations Division, General Staff, U. S. Army. Will meet again Monday at 10 a. m. on this subject.

NATIONAL HEALTH

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: The Subcommittee on Public Health, Science, and Commerce continued on national health bills, H. R. 4312 and 4313, title II, relating to medical research, and similar bills; and also on H. R. 3943, omnibus medical research bill, and H. R. 5046, eye research and blindness. The following witnesses were heard at today's hearings: William P. McCracken, American Optometric Association, who offered amendments to the eye research and blindness bill; Silas Adelsheim, president, National Council To Combat Blindness, Inc., Pittsburgh, Pa.; Miss Mildred Wiesenfeld, executive director, National Council To Combat Blindness, Inc., New York City; Dr. V. Everett Kinsey, Ph. D., Howe Laboratory of Ophthalmology, Harvard Medical School, Boston, Mass.; Dr. Daniel A. Poling, chairman, National Council To Combat Blindness, Inc., Christian Herald Association, New York City; Albert Hirshberg, Boston Post, representing a group of parents of blind babies, Brookline, Mass.; and J. M. Ulmer, of Ulmer, Berne, Goldon & Glickman, Cleveland, Ohio. Hearings will be resumed Tuesday, June 21.

NATURAL GAS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: The Subcommittee on Petroleum and Federal Power met in executive session to consider the various proposals submitted relative to amending the Natural Gas Act and adjourned until Tuesday, June 21.

The full committee met at 2 p. m. in executive session to consider committee business.

PRIVATE BILLS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 3 took testimony on two private bills and ordered favorably reported to the full committee four private bills (House) and eight private bills (Senate). Two private claims bills will be reported adversely.

PUBLIC LAND ACTIONS

Committee on Public Lands: Met to act on bills reported by subcommittees and voted to favorably report to the House the following bills:

H. R. 1354, amended, per capita payments to California Indians;

H. R. 5205, quitclaim deed to H. B. Bass in Enid, Okla.;

H. R. 3285, amended, authorizing bridges across Franklin Canal, El Paso, Tex,;

H. R. 4877, amended, regarding lands in Lawton, Okla.;

H. R. 5208, amended, Navajo-Hopi rehabilitation program;

H. R. 2706, amended, patent in fee to Susie Larvie Dillon;

H. R. 2920, amended, patent in fee to George Swift Horse;

H. R. 3667, amended, patent in fee to Lenora Farwell Fritzler;

H. R. 4254, patent in fee to Sidney Blackhair;

H. R. 2012, amended, Indian Museum at Klukwan, Alaska;

H. R. 3589, amended, conveying lands to Miles City, Mont.; and

H. R. 4403, amended, cooperation with Federal, State, and local agencies in connection with recreational uses of lands and waters.

On H. R. 3589, the committee received testimony from Representative Mansfield; Hugh C. McThee, Assistant Chief, Bureau of Animal Industry, Department of Agriculture; Hamilton Gordon, secretary, Chamber of Commerce, Miles City, Mont.; Milton Tinson, Valburg, Mont., president, Montana Stock Growers Association; Julian Perrot, Grandbury, Mont.; and W. A. Mitchell, Miles City, Mont.

On H. R. 4403, the committee heard Lt. Col. H. C. Gee, Corps of Engineers, and Conrad L. Wirth, Assistant Director, National Park Service, Department of the Interior.

ESTATE AND GIFT TAXES

Committee on Ways and Means: Ordered H. J. Res. 276 reported favorably to the House. This resolution grants certain extensions of time for tax purposes.

Joint Committee Meetings

ATOMIC ENERGY

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Committee heard testimony (by AEC Commissioner Sumner T. Pike; Walter J. Williams, Director, AEC Division of Production; and Joseph Volpe, Jr., AEC general counsel) on the Oak Ridge natural-gas pipe line which is under construction by the Commission at Oak Ridge, Tenn. Hearings continue June 20.

AGRICULTURE APPROPRIATIONS

Conferees on H. R. 3997, Agriculture appropriations for 1950, met in executive session to compromise differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of the bill, but failed to reach final agreement. Conferees adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

Monday, June 20, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

Both Houses cleared Second Deficiency appropriations for White House; received seven governmental reorganization plans from the President.

Senate continued debate on Taft-Hartley repeal.

House passed 41 miscellaneous bills.

Bills on Federal judges, oil, and Indians, and numerous private claims and immigration bills were ordered reported by Senate groups.

Columbia Valley Administration hearings opened by House committee.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 7892–7898

Bills Introduced: Eight bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2106 to S. 2113; S. J. Res. 110; and S. Con. Res. 48. Pages 7896–7897

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 1069, to amend section 3552 of R. S., dealing with bullion and metal and proof coins, relating to the covering into the Treasury of moneys arising from charges and deductions (S. Rept. 519);

S. Res. 123, increasing the limit of expenditures for investigation by Committee on Public Works not to exceed $50,000 (S. Rept. 520), referred to Committee on Rules and Administration;

S. 52, to authorize appointment of additional circuit and district judges, with amendments (S. Rept. 545);

S. 1323, to declare that the U. S. holds certain lands in trust for the Pueblo Indians and the Canoncito Navajo group in New Mexico (S. Rept. 549);

S. 1407, to promote rehabilitation of Navajo and Hopi Indian Tribes (S. Rept. 550); and

The following private bills: S. 377, 905, 976, 1087, 1915, S. Con. Res. 48, H. R. 682, 709, 1042, 1116, 1131, 1173, 1297, 1470, 1496, 1676, 2349, 3077, 3127, 3812, S. 111, 204, 317, H. R. 623, S. 330, 1330, and 784 (S. Repts. 521 to 544, and 546 to 548, respectively). Pages 7895–7896

Reorganization Plans: President transmitted message embodying seven plans for reorganization of various Government departments under recently enacted reorganization legislation. (See also House Chamber Action for document numbers.) Pages 7898, 7965–7972

Cache River Basin: Report from Chief of Engineers, U. S. Army, on improvement of the Cache River Basin in Arkansas and Missouri, was ordered to be printed as S. Doc. 88. Page 7897

Second Deficiency Appropriations: Senate adopted conference report on H. R. 4046, second deficiency appropriations for 1949, after concurring in House amendment No. 9 (regarding White House repairs), with an amendment correcting a technical error. The measure was sent back to the House for its action on the amendment. Pages 7898–7903

D. C. Nursery School: Conference report on H. R. 3967, to continue child day-care centers in the District, was adopted. Page 7903

Taft-Hartley Repeal: Senate continued debate on S. 249, National Labor Relations Act of 1949, repealing the Labor-Management Relations Act of 1947 (the so-called Taft-Hartley Act), but reached no vote. The pending question at recess was that shown in the Digest of Thursday, June 16 (p. D396). Pages 7915–7933

Nominations: 85 Public Health nominations were received. Pages 7933–7934

Committee Meetings

HOGS

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Secretary of Agriculture Brannan appeared before the subcommittee to continue his testimony in support of S. 1721, to provide price support for hogs.

The following witnesses testified in opposition to the bill: W. S. Rosecrans, vice president, U. S. Chamber of Commerce; Mark W. Pickell, executive secretary, Corn Belt Livestock Feeders Association; Melvin Todd, president, Nebraska Livestock Feeders Association; William Jargo, president, Clinton County, Iowa, Livestock Feeders Association; and Blythe Conn, secretary, Des Moines County, Iowa, Livestock Feeders Association. Subcommittee adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

INDEPENDENT OFFICES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee in executive session continued its work marking up for reporting to the full committee H. R. 4177, independent offices appropriations for 1950, but did not conclude. Subcommittee meets again tomorrow.

MILITARY ESTABLISHMENT APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee continued hearings in executive session on H. R. 4146, Military Establishment appropriations for 1950, with Maj. Gen. Everett S. Hughes, Chief of Ordnance, and assistants, testifying on funds for the ordnance branch of the Army.

On Saturday, June 18, the same subcommittee in executive session considered funds for the Navy, with Secretary of the Navy Matthews, Admiral Louis E. Denfeld, Chief of Naval Operations, and their assistants testifying.

ARMED SERVICES PAY BILL

Committee on Armed Services: Continuing hearings on H. R. 5007, to provide increased pay, allowances, and physical-disability retirement for members of the uniformed services, the committee heard further testimony in support of the bill from Charles R. Hook, chairman, and Thomas T. Stevenson, retirement adviser, both of the Hook Advisory Commission on Service Pay. Hearings continue Thursday.

ARMY DENTAL CORPS

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee held hearings on S. 1205, to revise the law with relation to the Army Dental Corps, with the following witnesses testifying in favor of the bill: Drs. Clyde E. Minges, Thomas J. McDermott, Rudolph Friederich, W. R. Alstadt, and Mr. Francis J. Garvey—all of the American Dental Association; Dr. Oscar G. Skelton, Dallas, Tex.; and Brig. Gen. G. R. Kennebec, Chief of the Dental Service of the Air Force.

Col. Kilbourne Johnston of Army appeared in opposition.

The following witnesses testified on technical provisions of the bill: Maj. Gen. W. D. Love and Brig. Gen. Silas B. Hays, both of the office of the Surgeon General; Maj. Gen. Malcolm C. Grow, Surgeon General of the Air Force; and Rear Adm. C. V. Rault (D. C.), Chief of the Navy Dental Division.

INDIANS—OIL—COLORADO RIVER

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: In executive session the committee voted to report with amendment H. J. Res. 33, purchase of certain Indian land by U. S. from Three Affiliated Tribes of Fort Berthold Reservation, N. Dak.; S. 1647, to eliminate premium payments in the purchase of Government royalty oil under existing contracts entered into pursuant to the act of July 13, 1946; S. 1407, to promote rehabilitation of Navajo and Hopi Tribes of Indians; and S. 1323, to declare that the U. S. holds certain lands in trust for the Pueblo Indians and the Canoncito Navajo group in New Mexico.

It voted to report without amendment S. 1361 and S. 1330, private bills, and S. 520, Indian patent bill.

The committee also discussed S. 75, to authorize construction, operation, and maintenance of dams on the Colorado River at Bridge Canyon, together with certain appurtenant dams and canals, but took no final action; this bill will be considered further by the committee at its next meeting.

INDIAN PATENT BILLS

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: On Saturday, June 18, subcommittee in executive session considered pending patent bills and took the following action: Voted to report to the full committee without amendment S. 520, Indian patent bill, and S. 1361, private bill, which the full committee voted to report to Senate on June 20.

The subcommittee considered four other Indian patent bills (S. 477, 1210, 1301, and 1426), but held over action on them for further information and study. Present at the meeting were Commissioner of Indian Affairs Nichols and Harry M. Critchfield, Bureau of Indian Affairs.

AIR-LINE INDUSTRY

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Ralph S. Damon, president, and Warren Lee Pierson, chairman of the board—both of the Trans-World Airways, testified before the committee in connection with its hearings in pursuance of S. Res. 50, to authorize study

and investigation of financial condition and operating efficiency of the air-line industry. Hearings continue tomorrow.

FEDERAL JUDGES, AND PRIVATE BILLS

Committee on the Judiciary: In executive session, committee voted to report with amendment S. 52, to authorize the appointment of additional circuit and district judges.

Thirteen private claims bills were reported without amendment, as follows: H. R. 682, 709, 1116, 1173, 1297, 1476, 1496, 1676, 3077, 3812, 1131; S. 377 and 784.

Twelve private immigration bills were reported—six with amendment (S. 111, 204, 317, 330; H. R. 623 and 3127), and six without amendment (S. 905, 976, 1087, 1915; H. R. 1042 and 2349).

Committee ordered introduced and reported an original concurrent resolution on deportation referral cases.

Seven private claims bills were postponed indefinitely: S. 667, 613, 1381, 1604; H. R. 1276, 2922, and 3138, along with S. 236, to formulate a national policy with respect to transportation costs (basing point decision), and S. 374, furnishing quarters of U. S. district court at Brunswick, Ga.

The nomination of Sam M. Wear, of Missouri, to be U. S. attorney for western district of Missouri, was reported favorably.

IMMIGRATION—SUBVERSIVE ALIENS

Committee on the Judiciary: On Saturday, June 18, subcommittee continued hearings on S. 1832, to amend the Immigration Act of 1918, to provide for exclusion and deportation of subversive aliens, with Dr. Pamfil Riposanu, Mircea Metes, and Alfons Vogel, all former officials of the Rumanian Legation, Washington, testifying in support of the bill.

Harry Fainaru, editor of a Communist newspaper in Detroit, appeared to testify in opposition to the bill.

NATIONAL HEALTH

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee held further hearings on pending national health bills, with the following witnesses expressing their views on the proposed legislation: James Brindle, Department of Public Assistance of Pennsylvania, on behalf of American Public Welfare Association; Jerry Voorhis, Cooperative Health Federation of America, Chicago; Howard Craig, Director, and Dr. George Baehr, Chairman of Committee on Medicine and the Changing Order, both of New York Academy of Medicine; and Dr. Charles Thompson, National Dental Association, Inc., Washington. Hearings continue tomorrow.

GOVERNMENT PAY BILLS

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Subcommittee met in executive session to draft for reporting to the full committee a revised version of S. 1762, to establish standard schedule of rates of basic compensation for certain employees of the Federal Government, to fix an equitable system for adjusting the rates of basic compensation of individual employees, and repeal Classification Act of 1923. Subcommittee meets again Wednesday.

CIVIL-SERVICE RETIREMENT

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Subcommittee held hearings on S. 1275, to amend Civil Service Retirement Act of 1930 to include in the act, at election of employee, persons rendering service as State employee in carrying out educational, agricultural, and other functions which are financed at least partly by Federal funds, with the following witnesses testifying: L. F. Kneipp, Organization of Professional Employees of Department of Agriculture; Warren Irons, Retirement Division, Civil Service Commission; and Dr. Stanley B. Fracker, Agricultural Research Administration; Erwin C. Elting, Office of Experiment Stations; J. L. Boatman, Extension Service; Thomas L. Ayers, Production and Marketing Administration; James H. Talbert, Soil Conservation Service, Spartanburg, S. C.; M. A. McCall, Bureau of Plant Industry, Soils, and Agricultural Engineering—all of Department of Agriculture; and D. V. Stapleton, Personnel Division, ECA.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Fifteen public bills, H. R. 5226–5240; fourteen private bills, H. R. 5241–5254; and three resolutions, H. J. Res. 277, H. Con. Res. 95, and H. Res. 258, were introduced. Page 7994

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. R. 5100, to correct inequities in the pay of certain officers and employees of the Federal Government and of the government of the District of Columbia (filed on June 17) (H. Rept. 845);

H. J. Res. 276, granting certain extensions of time for tax purposes (H. Rept. 846);

Conference report on H. R. 3967, D. C. nurseries for the day care of children, amended (H. Rept. 847);

H. R. 2012, to authorize the erection and operation of a museum at Klukwan, Alaska, amended (H. Rept. 848);

H. R. 2517, directing the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain land to Palm Beach County, Fla. (H. Rept. 849);

H. R. 2678, to permit the leasing of school lands within Wyoming for mineral purposes for terms in excess of 10 years (H. Rept. 850);

H. R. 4073, conveyance to New York of certain property in Fort Niagara State Park (H. Rept. 851);

H. R. 4510, amended, funds for the Klamath County, Oreg., School Board for Indian and non-Indian children without discrimination (H. Rept. 852);

H. R. 5134, to promote development in cooperation with the State of Colorado of the fish, wildlife, and recreational aspects of the Colorado-Big Thompson Federal reclamation project (H. Rept. 853);

S. 1184, to encourage construction of rental housing at or in areas adjacent to military and naval installations, amended (H. Rept. 854);

H. R. 5170, public participation in the preservation of buildings and sites of national significance and historical interest, amended (H. Rept. 855);

H. R. 940, to authorize public improvements in Alaska, amended (H. Rept. 856);

H. R. 1354, to provide that the Federal Government pay $150 to each adult Indian in the State of California, amended (H. Rept. 857);

H. R. 1726, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to convey to the city of Hot Springs National Park, Ark., a perpetual easement for the construction and operation of a water-main pipe line, amended (H. Rept. 858);

Four private bills, H. R. 3667, 2920, 2706, and 4254 (H. Repts. 859–862, respectively); and

H. Res. 258, providing for consideration of, 2 hours of debate on, and the waiving of points of order against, H. R. 4406, the Yugoslav claims bill (H. Rept. 863).

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Taxes: By unanimous consent the following bills, all pertaining to taxes, were considered and passed.

Tax extensions: H. J. Res. 276, granting certain extensions of time for tax purposes.

Commissioner, Internal Revenue: H. R. 3905, amending Internal Revenue Code by adding new section relating to the jurisdiction, powers, and duties of the Commissioner.

Free importation: H. R. 5086, to accord privileges of free importation to members of the armed forces of other nations.

Beer taxes: H. R. 5114, to amend the Internal Revenue Code to permit the use of additional means, including stamps machines, for payment of tax on fermented malt liquors, and to provide for the establishment of brewery bottling house on brewery premises.

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Consent Calendar: Passed the following bills on the call of the Consent Calendar:

Fishing industry: H. Res. 174, amended, requesting the Secretary of State, the Secretary of Commerce, and the Tariff Commission to investigate the domestic fishing industry.

Cleared for the President:

ICC: S. 257, to amend the Interstate Commerce Act so as to set up a statute of limitations on the time within which actions may be brought for the recovery of overcharges or undercharges by or against motor carriers, freight forwarders, and water carriers.

Civil Service: S. 1023, in lieu of H. R. 3338, to amend section 9 of the Civil Service Retirement Act of May 29, 1930, as amended, so as to grant credit in accordance with such section for service for which, through inadvertence, no deductions from salary are made.

Tin concentrates: S. 1433, providing for domestic smelting of low-grade tin concentrates.

Forest fires: S. 1659, in lieu of H. R. 4535, granting the consent and approval of Congress to an interstate forest fire protection compact.

Sent to the Senate without amendment:

Public works: H. R. 1771, relating to loans by Federal agencies for the construction of certain public works.

Nonnavigable waterway: H. R. 3511, to declare the waterway in which is located the Brewery Street Channel at New Haven, Conn., a nonnavigable stream.

Mississippi State College: H. R. 3680, to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to quitclaim 5 1/10 acres of land in Washington County, Miss., to the Mississippi State College.

Indian lands: H. R. 3895, to declare that the United States holds certain lands in trust for the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe.

Uintah irrigation project: H. R. 4070, to cancel drainage charges against certain lands within the Uintah Indian irrigation project, Utah.

Navy doctors and dentists: H. R. 4516, to provide for the retention of certain officers of the Medical and Dental Corps of the Navy.

Indian hospitals: H. R. 4815, to provide for medical services to non-Indians in Indian hospitals.

Mineral resources: H. R. 4895, to permit the prospecting, development, mining, removal, and utilization of the mineral resources within the Superior National Forest, Minn.

Sent to the Senate, amended:

Nuts: S. 1089, to provide for inclusion of filberts and almonds under marking agreements and orders.

Alaskan agriculture: H. R. 133, to give Alaska a full share of appropriations for agricultural experimental station work.

Relabeling imports: H. R. 160, to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act relative to relabeling costs, etc., on imported goods.

Alaskan agriculture: H. R. 212, to extend to Alaska the full benefits of the legislation pertaining to the establishment and operation of agricultural extension service programs.

Exports: H. R. 562, to amend section 801 (d) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act, as amended, in relation to exports.

Fish hatchery: H. R. 961, to establish rearing ponds and a fish hatchery.

Los Angeles post office: H. R. 1154, to provide authorization for additional funds for the extension and improvement of post-office facilities at Los Angeles, Calif.

Wildlife: H. R. 2418, to authorize restocking, propagation, and conservation of game in the Elkin Field Reservation.

Fish hatchery: H. R. 2740, to establish rearing ponds and a fish hatchery at or near Millen, Ga.

Civil service: H. R. 3826, to amend the act of January 16, 1883, an act to regulate and improve the civil service of the United States.

Aeronautical research: H. R. 3946, to promote the national defense and to contribute to more effective aeronautical research by authorizing professional personnel of the National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics to attend accredited graduate schools for research and study.

Naval service: H. R. 4573, to repeal certain obsolete provisions of law relating to the naval service. The passage of H. R. 4573 was later vacated and S. 1794 amended and passed in lieu.

Indian lands: H. R. 4584, to provide for disposition of lands on the Cabazon, Augustine, and Torres-Martinez Indian Reservations in California.

Army equipment loans: H. R. 4646, to authorize the Secretary of the Army to lend certain property of the Department of the Army to national veterans' organizations for use at national youth tournaments.

Active-duty status: H. R. 4767, to clarify the active-duty status of certain officers of the Army of the United States and the Air Force of the United States.

Mineral rights: H. R. 4800, to convey certain mineral interests beneath the surface of farm lands acquired by U. S.

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Unanimous Consent Passages: By unanimous consent the following bills were considered and passed:

Leavenworth Penitentiary: H. R. 4585, to authorize the purchase of additional farming land for Leavenworth Penitentiary, amended.

Physically handicapped: H. J. Res. 228, authorizing appropriation for the work of the President's Committee on National Employ the Physically Handicapped Week.

Eden project, Wyoming: S. 55, to authorize completion of construction and development of Eden project in Wyoming.

Naval service: Vacated proceedings of passage of H. R. 4573, on call of Consent Calendar, tabled the House bill, and passed in lieu thereof, S. 1794, repealing obsolete provisions of law relating to naval service, after amending the Senate bill by inserting the provisions of the House bill.

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Suspension Passages: The House voted to suspend the rules and passed the following bills:

Suitland Parkway: H. R. 2214, amended, providing for development and maintenance of the Suitland Parkway as an extension of the D. C. park system.

Forest resources: S. 979, in lieu of H. R. 2001, to authorize a national survey of forest resources.

Pay inequities: H. R. 5100, to correct inequities in the pay of certain officers and employees of the Federal Government and of the government of the District of Columbia.

Tin: H. R. 5044, temporary extension of Second Decontrol Act of 1947 with respect to tin and tin products.

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Second Deficiency: House adopted conference report on H. R. 4046, the second deficiency bill for 1949.

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President's Messages—Reorganization: Heard eight messages from the President on seven reorganization plans. Reorganization Plans Nos. 1, 2, 3, and 6 have to do with the organization of individual major departments or agencies, only; while Reorganization Plans Nos. 4, 5, and 7 deal with the general management of the Government and affect all or a large number of the agencies. The messages were referred to the Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Department and ordered printed as House documents (Nos. 221 to 228).

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Committee Meetings

DENTAL CORPS

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee No. 1 opened hearings on H. R. 3479, to revise the law with relation to the Dental Corps of the Army. Witnesses appearing on this measure were Dr. Clyde Minges, president, and Dr. Thomas J. McDermott, vice president, American Dental Association; Dr. Oscar Skelton, retired Army dental officer of Dallas, Tex.; Dr. Rudolph Friedrick, American Dental Association, Plainfield, N. J.; Francis J. Garvey, attorney for the American Dental Association; and Maj. Gen. Walter Love, Deputy Chief, Dental Division, and Brig. Gen. S. B. Hays, Chief, Supply Division, both of the Surgeon General's Office. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

KOREAN AID

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Held further executive discussions on Korean aid and will continue on this subject tomorrow morning.

INLAND WATERWAYS CORPORATION

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee on Transportation continued hearings on H. R. 328, 429, and 4978, relative to increasing the capital stock of the Inland Waterways Corporation. Heard on this legislation today were Representatives Karsten of Missouri and Jones of Alabama, author of H. R. 429; and Capt. A. C. Ingersoll, Jr., President, Inland Waterways Corporation, St. Louis, Mo. Chester C. Thompson, president, the American Waterways Operators, Inc., Washington, D. C., spoke on behalf of H. R. 4978 but opposed H. R. 429. Testifying generally in favor of the legislation was A. J. Wagner, Chief, Navigation and Transportation Branch, TVA, and opposed were J. L. Stanton, director, export-import bureau, Baltimore Association of Commerce, and John T. Corbett, national legislative representative, Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers. Will resume on this subject next Thursday.

ALIEN DEPORTATION—CLAYTON ACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 1 heard testimony on several private immigration bills. Also agreed to report favorably to the full committee six private immigration bills; three to be reported adversely. Three concurrent resolutions will be reported favorably—S. Con. Res. 21, S. Con. Res. 22, and S. Con Res. 40, favoring the suspension of deportation of certain aliens.

Subcommittee No. 3 heard testimony on a private claims measure. In executive session ordered reported favorably to the full committee H. R. 2734, with amendments, to amend sections 7 and 11 of the Clayton Act.

INDIAN AND LAND BILLS

Committee on Public Lands: Ordered reported to the House H. R. 4901, to lease certain lands by Cherokee Indians in North Carolina.

Also considered, but took no action on, H. R. 4755, appointment of advisory committee on Indian matters; H. R. 4877, condemn certain real property held in trust by U. S. for the Kiowa, Comanche, and Apache Indian tribes in Comanche County, Okla.; and H. R. 2475, sale of land in Florida to Albert M. Lewis, Jr. Representative Sikes spoke on behalf of the last-mentioned bill. Committee will meet again tomorrow morning.

COLUMBIA VALLEY ADMINISTRATION

Committee on Public Works: Opened hearings on H. R. 4286 and 4287, to establish a Columbia Valley Administration. Representative Jackson of Washington, author of H. R. 4287, was the first witness and explained the objectives of the legislation. Hearings will be continued tomorrow morning.

OVERTIME-ON-OVERTIME—YUGOSLAV CLAIMS—LEAVE BENEFITS

Committee on Rules: Granted a rule to take from the Speaker's table H. R. 858, overtime-on-overtime bill, and concur in the Senate amendments thereto. Representatives Lynch and Rooney testified in opposition to the bill.

Granted 2 hours debate and waived points of order on H. R. 4406, Yugoslav claims bill. Witnesses on this measure were Representatives Richards, Eaton, and Ribicoff.

Granted a rule providing 1 hour's debate on H. R. 2619, to extend annual and sick leave benefits to part-time employees on regular tours of duty and to validate payments heretofore made for leave on account of services of such employees. Representatives Murray of Tennessee and Rees, of Kansas, testified on this bill.

SOCIAL SECURITY

Committee on Ways and Means: Held further discussions in executive session on the proposed amendments to the Social Security Act. Will continue on this same subject tomorrow.

Joint Committee Meetings

ATOMIC ENERGY

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Committee heard the following witnesses in open hearings discuss the necessity for a natural-gas pipe line at Oak Ridge, Tenn., and the cost of a high-school building at the Hanford atomic energy plant: AEC Chairman Lilienthal, AEC Commissioner Sumner T. Pike, Carleton Shugg, Deputy General Manager of the AEC, Walter J. Williams, Director of the Division of Production, AEC, and H. A. Winne and H. R. Prout, General Electric vice presidents. Hearings continue tomorrow.

AGRICULTURE APPROPRIATIONS

Conferees on H. R. 3997, Agriculture appropriations for 1950, continued in executive session to work on differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of the bill, but did not conclude their work. Conferees meet again tomorrow.

STATE, JUSTICE, COMMERCE APPROPRIATIONS

Conferees on H. R. 4016, State, Justice, Commerce, and Judiciary appropriations for 1950, continued in executive session to work on differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of the bill, but did not conclude their work. Conferees meet again tomorrow.

SWISS WAR CLAIMS

Conferees on H. R. 4392, Swiss war claims, met in executive session to work out differences between the House- and Senate-passed versions of the bill.

Tuesday, June 21, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed D. C. appropriations bill, and 65 unobjected-to bills on call of the calendar.

International Bank securities marketing bill, immigration inquiry resolution, and 40 private bills passed by House.

Bills on minimum wage, Institute on Inter-American Affairs, and District of Columbia were voted reported by Senate groups.

Pricing practices (basing points) bill ordered reported by House committee.

Conferees agreed to file a report on Agriculture appropriations.

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Bills Introduced: Two bills were introduced, as follows: S. 2114 and S. 2115. Page 7996

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. R. 3088, to grant salary increase to members of the Police and Fire Departments and teachers in the D. C., with amendments (S. Rept. 551);

H. R. 3901, to increase salaries of judges of D. C. municipal court of appeals and D. C. municipal court, with amendment (S. Rept. 552); and

H. R. 5044, temporary extension of Second Decontrol Act of 1947 with respect to tin and tin products (no written report). Page 7996

Veto Message: Message from President vetoing S. 146, a private bill, was received and was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. Page 8059

Bills Placed on Calendar: Four bills, as follows, were placed on calendar:

H. R. 4585, additional farm land for Leavenworth Penitentiary;

H. R. 1771, relating to loans by Federal agencies for the construction of certain public works;

H. R. 2740, to establish rearing ponds and a fish hatchery at or near Millen, Ga.; and

H. R. 3946, to promote the national defense and to contribute to more effective aeronautical research by authorizing professional personnel of the National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics to attend accredited graduate schools for research and study. Page 7999

Bill Rereferred: Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 92, relative to relief of fishing industry, and the bill was rereferred to Committee on Finance. Pages 8016–8017

Bills Referred: Twenty-nine House-passed bills were referred to appropriate committees. Pages 7998–7999

Calendar Bills Passed: On call of the calendar, 65 unobjected-to bills, of which 32 were private, were passed as follows:

Without amendment and cleared for President:

Navy Medical and Dental: H. R. 4516, to provide retention of certain officers of Medical and Dental Corps of the Navy;

Cotton statistics: H. R. 3444, to improve the administration of activities relating to collection of cotton statistics;

Nationality Act: H. R. 1837, to amend the Nationality Act of 1940 by correcting a typographical error in Public Law 567 of the Eightieth Congress;

Land easement: H. R. 263, easement for public highway and water pipe line in vicinity of naval air base at Santa Ana, Calif.;

Coast Guard civilians: H. R. 4471, regulating hours of duty and pay of civilian keepers of lighthouses and civilians employed in lightships and other vessels of the Coast Guard;

Investment securities: H. R. 4332, to exempt International Bank for Reconstruction and Development of certain restrictions in dealing with and underwriting investment securities;

Public Works: H. R. 1771, relating to loans by Federal agencies for the construction of certain public works; and

Private bills: 17 private bills: H. R. 2353, 1123, 735, 1096, 1125, 717, 2078, 3311, 3603, 3992, 593, 716, 1136, 1858, 1981, 3324, and 650.

With amendment, to be sent back to House:

State Department broadcasts: H. R. 2282, to make certain Government-owned facilities available for international broadcasting in the furtherance of certain State Department programs;

Alaska Land: H. R. 2859, to authorize the sale of public lands in Alaska;

International Peace Garden: H. R. 3751, to provide for transfer of tower on Lower Souris National Wildlife Refuge to International Peace Garden, Inc. (Asked for a conference and appointed as conferees Senators McFarland, Johnson of Colorado, and Tobey);

Census: H. R. 3198, to provide for use of Federal employees for field work by the Bureau of the Census;

CAA: H. R. 781, to amend the Civil Aeronautics Act relative to purchase and transfer of supplies and materials necessary for the proper execution of functions in Alaska;

Contract Settlement Act: H. R. 834, to amend the Contract Settlement Act of 1944, to provide fair compensation to persons contracting to deliver strategic minerals or metals in case of failure to recover reasonable costs; and

Private bills, three private bills: H. R. 3458, 750, and 2709.

Without amendment and cleared for House:

Navy retiring boards: S. 1639, providing that the Secretary of the Navy, instead of the President, be authorized to approve or disapprove decisions by Navy retiring boards;

Porter Academy: S. 1742, removing certain restrictions on certain lands authorized to be conveyed to the trustees of Porter Academy;

Civil service: S. 1977, to extend the time within which legislative employees may come within the purview of the Civil Service Retirement Act;

VA leases: S. 2010, to extend for 2 years the authority of the VA Administrator to enter into 5-year leases;

National housing: S. J. Res. 109, extending for 60 days title I and section 608 of National Housing Act, and to amend title II of National Housing Act by increasing funds by one-half billion dollars;

Federal airport: S. 1279, to amend the Federal Airport Act to provide that minimum rates of wages need be specified only in contracts in excess of $2,000; and

Private bills: Six private bills: S. 1560, S. Con. Res. 44, S. 1429, S. Con. Res. 45, S. 622 and 509.

With amendment and cleared for House:

National Guard armory: S. 803, to provide for the conveyance of a tract of land in Prince Georges County, Md., to the State of Maryland for use as a site for a National Guard armory;

Water mail routes: S. 771, providing for renewal of and adjustment of compensation under contracts for carrying mail on water routes;

Army Medical Corps: S. 1688, to provide for certain adjustments on the promotion list of the Medical Service Corps of the Regular Army;

Veterans' preference: S. 115, to amend the Veterans' Preference Act with respect to disabled veterans' preference in acquiring Government employment;

Veterans' preference: S. 974, to amend the Veterans' Preference Act of 1944 with respect to certain mothers of veterans;

Migratory Bird Act: S. 1076, to amend Migratory Bird Hunting Stamp Act of March 16, 1934, and to increase duck stamps from $1 to $2;

Government pay and allowances: S. 1507, relating to the receipt of pay, allowances, travel, or other expenses while drawing a pension, disability allowance, disability compensation, or retired pay;

Alaska communications: S. 1578, authorize Army Secretary to proceed with construction at stations of the Alaska Communications System;

CAA: S. 447, to amend the Civil Aeronautics Act to regulate transportation, packing, marking, and description of explosives and other dangerous articles;

CAA: S. 1278, to fix U. S. share of project costs involved in installation of high-intensity lighting on CAA-designated instrument-landing runways;

Federal airport: S. 1280, to amend the Federal Airport Act to limit to 10 percent any increase of the amount stated as a maximum obligation under a grant agreement,

Federal airport: S. 1285, to authorize progressive partial payments to contractors under Federal airport program;

Alaska and Panama: S. 1359, to extend benefits of the Civil Service Retirement Act to officers and employees of Alaska and the Panama Canal;

Airports: S. 1283, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to acquire, construct, operate, and maintain public airports in certain areas; and

Private bills: Six private bills: S. 471, 230, 897, 980, 1003, and 1405. Pages 7997–8001, 8004, 8006–8037

D. C. Appropriations: Senate passed H. R. 3082, D. C. appropriations for 1950, after adopting all committee amendments as well as Hill amendment to increase to $745,000 funds for medical charities.

Senate asked for a conference and appointed as conferees Senators Hill, O'Mahoney, Kilgore, Hunt, Young, Reed, and Saltonstall. Pages 8037–8039

Tax Extensions: H. J. Res. 276, granting certain extensions of time for tax purposes, was passed without amendment, thus clearing the bill for the President. Page 8039

Filberts: Senate agreed to House amendments to S. 1089, to provide for inclusion of filberts under marketing agreements and orders, clearing the bill for the President. Page 8039

Swiss War Claims: Conference report on H. R. 4392, Swiss war claims, was agreed to. Pages 8058–8059

Federal Property and Administrative Services: Senate passed H. R. 4754, Federal Property and Administrative Services Act for 1949, after striking out all following the enacting clause and inserting therefor the text of S. 2020, a similar Senate bill, including the following amendments thereto: Three amendments by Senator

Myers on transportation and traffic management; Hayden amendment exempting Senate and House from provision respecting furnishing of services by Administrator of General Services; and Aiken amendment providing that any priorities and preferences in disposal of surplus realty shall continue until December 31, 1949. (S. 2020 and S. 1809, similar Senate bills, were indefinitely postponed.)

Senate asked for a conference and appointed as conferees Senators McClellan, Eastland, Hoey, McCarthy, and Ives. Pages 8047–8058

Taft-Hartley Repeal: Senate also briefly debated pending amendments to S. 249, National Labor Relations Act of 1949, repealing the Labor-Management Relations Act of 1947 (the so-called Taft-Hartley Act).

Nomination: The nomination of Mrs. Perle Mesta to be envoy to Luxembourg was received. Page 8063

Committee Meetings

FOREIGN-AID APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: ECA Administrator Paul Hoffman, Richard M. Bissell, Assistant Deputy Administrator, and assistants, all of the ECA, continued their testimony in support of the proposed appropriation in H. R. 4830, foreign-aid appropriations for 1950.

INDEPENDENT OFFICES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: In executive session, subcommittee continued work on marking up for reporting to the full committee H. R. 4177, independent offices appropriations for 1950. Subcommittee did not conclude its work but continues tomorrow.

D. C. BILLS

Committee on the District of Columbia: In executive session, the committee voted to report with amendment the following bills: H. R. 3901, to increase salaries of judges of the D. C. municipal court of appeals and the D. C. municipal court; H. R. 3088, to grant salary increase to members of the Police and Fire Departments and teachers in the D. C.; H. R. 2104, relating to orders to D. C. banks for stopping payment on negotiable instruments payable from deposits in or payable at such banks; S. 1918, to authorize D. C. contracting officers to make contracts in amounts not exceeding $5,000; H. R. 2021, to increase pension for widows and children of deceased and retired members of D. C. Police and Fire Departments; and H. R. 4381, to provide sick and emergency leave for D. C. teachers and attendance officers.

Committee temporarily postponed action on S. 1350, to provide an additional judge for the juvenile court of the D. C.

INTER-AMERICAN AFFAIRS

Committee on Foreign Relations: In executive session, committee voted to report with amendment S. 1250, to continue Institute of Inter-American Affairs for 5 years, and to authorize $5,000,000 per year for that purpose (a total of $25,000,000).

Committee also considered nominations for Assistant Secretaries of State, but took no action on them.

FEDERAL PROPERTY AND ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee held a closed conference on S. 2020, Federal Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949, to consider a proposed amendment on transportation and traffic management with officials of the Government agencies to be affected by the bill. It was agreed that an amendment on transportation and traffic management be offered to the bill when it is called up before the Senate for consideration; the bill had been reported by the Senate Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments.

OIL TANKERS—PANAMANIAN REGISTRY

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee heard testimony from M. G. Gamble, Standard Oil, in connection with its hearings on transfer of Standard Oil tankers to Panamanian registry. Hearings continue tomorrow.

AIR-LINE INDUSTRY

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Andre de Faint-Phalle, president, California-Eastern Airways, and John Howard Payne, consultant economist, testified before the committee in connection with its hearings in pursuance of S. Res. 50, to authorize study and investigation of financial condition and operating efficiency of the air-line industry. Hearings continue Thursday.

ANTITRUST—DAMAGE ACTION

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee held hearings on S. 1910, to amend the Sherman and Clayton Acts to provide a uniform period of limitations within which treble-damage actions may be instituted under the antitrust laws, with the following witnesses testifying in support of the bill: Judge Thurmond Arnold; John C. Stedman, Department of Justice; James W. Cassedy, FTC; G. B. Burnham, president, Burnham Chemical Co.; and George J. Burger, National Federation of Independent Business, Inc.

PRIVATE BILL

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee held hearings on S. 1353, a private bill.

FAIR LABOR STANDARDS—MINIMUM WAGE

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: By unanimous vote, a subcommittee of seven agreed to report favorably to the full committee at its next meeting an amended version of S. 653, to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938.

As approved, the bill would provide for a 75 cents per hour minimum wage; it would permit suability (amend the existing law so as to also permit the Government to intercede in behalf of an aggrieved individual); and it would strengthen the existing prohibition of child labor. The subcommittee reserved for the full committee's consideration the matter of reexamination of area production with particular respect to the elimination of area production as it affects minimum wage. The subcommittee proposes to amend section 7 (c) with respect to overtime so as to add the word "buttermilk" to the list of exemptions, and it proposes to extend exemption to small Western Union stations doing business up to $500 per month.

NATIONAL HEALTH

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee continued hearings on pending national health bills, with the following witnesses expressing their views: Emmet Slusher, president, Missouri Farm Bureau, on behalf of American Farm Bureau Federation; Dr. Theodore Sanders, New York, on behalf of National Consumers League; Dr. John J. Nugent, National Chiropractic Association; Wilma L. West, American Occupational Therapy Association; and Mildred Elson, American Physical Therapy Association. Hearings continue tomorrow.

CLASSIFIED CIVIL-SERVICE EMPLOYEES, VETERANS, AND TACOMA POSTMASTER

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: In executive session Senator Cain testified in opposition to the nomination of John P. McMonagle to be postmaster for Tacoma, Wash. Senator Magnuson testified in support of the nomination.

The committee also considered, in open session, but took no action on S. 660, to preserve equities of permanent classified civil-service employees, and S. 1937, amending Veterans' Preference Act of 1944 for retention in Federal service of employees who have suffered loss of an eye or a limb, with the following witnesses testifying: David Fass, William C. Dardon, and James Cohen, all amputees, in behalf of themselves; Capt. Victor Gondos, an arthritic and a member of the National Guard; and Abraham Ziegler, representing Post R-41, Government Employees Veteran Organization.

COLUMBIA RIVER VALLEY

Committee on Public Works: Continuing hearings on the Columbia River Valley development bills (S. 1595, 1631, 1632, and 1645), the committee heard C. Girard Davidson, Assistant Secretary of the Interior, testify in support of S. 1645, giving an analysis of provisions of the bill. Hearings continue tomorrow.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Sixteen public bills, H. R. 5255–5270; eight private bills, H. R. 5271–5278; and four resolutions, H. J. Res. 278, and H. Res. 259–261, were introduced. Page 8084

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. Res. 259, providing for consideration of, and 1 hour of debate on, H. R. 2619, to extend the benefits of the annual and sick leave laws to part-time employees on regular tours of duty and to validate payments heretofore made for leave on account of services of such employees (H. Rept. 864);

Three private resolutions, S. Con. Res. 21, 22, and 40 (H. Repts. 865–867, respectively);

H. R. 5240, temporary extension of Second Decontrol Act of 1947, with respect to fats and oils and rice and rice products (H. Rept. 868); and

S. 1008, to confirm right of individual companies to use certain pricing practices during a specified period for purpose of engaging in competition in good faith (H. Rept. 869). Pages 8083–8084

Private Calendar: On the call of the Private Calendar the following bills were passed:

Cleared for the President: S. 41, 646, 647, and 676.

Sent to the Senate without amendment: H. R. 571, 632, 1795, 1857, 2090, 2253, 2456, 2530, 2807, 2848, 3139, 3501, 4254, 4804, and 5018.

Sent to the Senate, amended: H. R. 559, 1017, 1019, 1034, 1054, 1055, 1282, 1458, 1601, 1782, 1792, 2095, 2592, 2706, 2806, 2920, 2925, 2408, and 4466.

Also adopted H. Res. 253, a private resolution. Pages 8066–8072

Immigration Investigation: Adopted H. Res. 238, calling for a thorough investigation by the Committee

on the Judiciary of the entire refugee immigration program of the United States. Adopted two committee amendments, one calling for a report on the findings of the investigation not later than March 1, 1950; and the other amendment deleting the section of the bill pertaining to expenses incurred in conducting investigation.

Pages 8072–8073

International Bank Securities: Passed, 293 yeas to 55 nays, H. R. 4332, to amend the National Bank Act and the Bretton Woods Agreements Act so as to facilitate the marketing of securities of the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development. H. R. 4332 permits national banks and State-member banks of the Federal Reserve System (subject to applicable State laws) to deal in and underwrite securities issued or guaranteed by the International Bank.

H. Res. 256, the rule for consideration of H. R. 4332, was previously adopted. Pages 8073–8080

D. C. Day Care Centers: Adopted conference report (H. Rept. 847) on H. R. 3967, to continue a system of D. C. nurseries, thereby clearing the bill for the President. Page 8081

Committee Meetings

DENTAL CORPS

Committee on Armed Services: Completed hearings, but took no action, on H. R. 3479, to revise the law with relation to the Dental Corps of the Army. Today's witnesses included Col. Kelbourne Johnston, Army Comptroller's Office; Maj. Gen. W. D. Love, Deputy Chief of Dental Division, Department of Army; and Brig. Gen. Silas B. Hays, Chief, Supply Division, Surgeon General's Office, Department of Army. Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

IMPORT CONTROLS

Committee on Banking and Currency: Ordered reported to the House H. R. 5240, extending until January 1, 1951, certain powers, authority, and discretion for the purpose of exercising, administering, and enforcing import controls with respect to fats and oils, including butter, and rice and rice products. Ralph S. Tribb, President, Commodity Credit Corporation, testified in favor of the bill. Adjourned subject to the call of the Chair.

D. C. BILLS

Committee on the District of Columbia: Subcommittee on Health, Education, and Recreation approved for reporting to the full committee H. R. 4749, to remove the requirement of residence in the District for membership on the Commission on Mental Health; H. R. 4892, providing for the admission of pay patients to the Home for the Aged and Infirm; and H. R. 4789, private chiropractic bill.

KOREAN AID

Committee on Foreign Aid: Continued in executive session on the subject of aid to Korea and took testimony of Brig. Gen. T. S. Timberman, Chief of Operations Group, Plans and Operations Division, Office of the Chief of Staff, U. S. Army; Rear Adm. E. T. Wooldridge, Office of the Chief of Naval Operations; Dr. Edgar A. Johnson, head of the ECA Korean program; and Brig. Gen. P. M. Hamilton, Air Force, Deputy Chief of Staff, Operations Division. Will meet on this same topic again tomorrow.

NATIONAL HEALTH

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: The Subcommittee on Public Health, Science, and Commerce continued hearings on title II of H. R. 4312 and 4313, medical research, and bills on arthritis and rheumatism. Proponent witnesses heard today were Floyd B. Odlum, Atlas Corp., New York City; Dr. Edward F. Martung, New York City; Ralph B. Rogers, Indian Motorcycle Co., Springfield, Mass.; Thomas E. Freeman, Arthritis and Rheumatism Foundation, New York City; Dr. Ralph H. Boots, New York City; and Dr. Currier McEwen, New York University, Bellevue Medical Center College of Medicine, New York City. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

NATURAL GAS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: The Subcommittee on Petroleum and Federal Power continued executive discussions on the subject of natural gas and will meet on this subject again tomorrow.

BASING POINTS—ALIEN DEPORTATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Ordered the following bills reported to the House:

S. 1008 (basing points), to confirm right of individual companies to use certain pricing practices during a specified period for purpose of engaging in competition in good faith;

S. Con. Res. 21, 22, and 40, favoring the suspension of deportation of certain aliens; and

Seven private immigration bills, and twelve private claims bills (four House and eight Senate).

The committee tabled three private immigration bills and two private claims bills.

PUBLIC LANDS

Committee on Public Lands: Ordered the following bills reported to the House:

H. R. 388, to permit the mining, development, and utilization of the mineral resources of all public lands withdrawn or reserved for power development, amended;

H. R. 2475, private Florida land bill, amended;

H. R. 4755, appointment of Advisory Committee on Indian Affairs; and

H. R. 4762, to empower the courts to remit or mitigate forfeitures of automobiles, vehicles, or conveyances.

Also, reconsidered its action of last Friday on H. R. 4403, cooperation with Federal, State, and local agencies in connection with recreational uses of lands and waters, and ordered the bill reported with an additional amendment.

Held hearing on H. R. 1356, to authorize a Commission on Federal Reimbursement to States and local governments (in lieu of tax). Keith L. Seegmiller, Washington representative of the National Association of County Officials, spoke on behalf of this bill.

COLUMBIA VALLEY ADMINISTRATION

Committee on Public Works: Representative Jackson of Washington completed his testimony favoring the establishment of a Columbia Valley Administration. He is the author of one of the measures (H. R. 4287) designed to create this authority. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

VETERANS' COMPENSATION

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Hearings were concluded on H. R. 908 and 909, 25-percent increase in compensation for service-connected disabled veterans, with testimony being heard from Veterans' Administration Assistant Administrator for Legislation Guy H. Birdsall. Committee adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

SOCIAL SECURITY

Committee on Ways and Means: Continued in executive session on the proposed amendments to the Social Security Act and will hold further discussions tomorrow.

Joint Committee Meetings

ATOMIC ENERGY

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Committee continued its hearings on cost of construction of a high-school building at the Hanford atomic energy plant, Richland, Wash., with the following witnesses testifying: Carleton Shugg, Deputy General Manager, and Fred C. Schlemmer, Manager, Hanford Operations Office, both representing the AEC; H. A. Winne, vice president, G. R. Prout, vice president, and F. E. Baker, comptroller, all of General Electric Co. Hearings continue tomorrow.

AGRICULTURE APPROPRIATIONS

Conferees on H. R. 3997, Agriculture appropriations for 1950, met in executive session and agreed to file a report on the differences between the House- and Senate-passed versions of the bill. The report will be filed in the House on June 22.

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HIGHLIGHTS

Senate adopted conference report on Treasury-Post Office appropriations, and rejected amendments to Taft-Hartley repeal bill.

House debated housing bill.

Bills on natural gas, and claims against the Government, and State Department, Foreign Service, and Coast Guard nominations were voted reported to Senate, along with resolutions on small business, and committee expenses.

Anti-poll-tax bill ordered reported by House committee.

Conferees agreed to file a report on Labor-FSA appropriations.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 8086–8100

Bills Introduced: Thirteen bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2116 to S. 2128; S. J. Res. 111; and S. Res. 127. Pages 8087, 8096

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. Res. 93, to provide an additional $25,000 for the Committee on Armed Services for expenses (S. Rept. 553);

S. Res. 127, to pay counsel fees incurred in the Maryland senatorial contest in 1947 (S. Rept. 554);

H. R. 4381, to provide sick and emergency leave for D. C. teachers and attendance officers, with amendment (S. Rept. 555);

S. 1918, to authorize D. C. contracting officers to make contracts in amounts not exceeding $5,000, with amendments (S. Rept. 556);

H. R. 2104, relating to orders to D. C. banks for stopping payment on negotiable instruments payable from deposits in or payable at such banks, with amendments (S. Rept. 557);

H. R. 2021, to increase pensions for widows and children of deceased and retired members of the District of Columbia Police and Fire Departments (S. Rept. 558); and

H. Con. Res. 62, creating Joint Committee To Investigate Lobbying Activities, with amendments (S. Rept. 559)—referred to Committee on Rules and Administration. Page 8087

Bills Referred: Thirty-two House-passed bills were referred to appropriate committees. Page 8099

Bill Placed on Calendar: H. R. 2848, a private bill, was placed on calendar. Page 8099

Treaty: Convention between U. S. and Costa Rica for establishment of Inter-American Tropical Tuna Commission was received (Exec. P). Pages 8126–8127

Routine Bill and Resolutions: The following bill and resolutions were reported to and then adopted by the Senate:

H. R. 4878, to authorize certain Government printing, binding, and blank-book work elsewhere than at the GPO, if approved by the Joint Committee on Printing (no written report);

S. Res. 117, to provide an additional $10,000 to Committee on Labor and Public Welfare for printing hearings (no written report);

S. Res. 126, to provide an additional $10,000 to Committee on Appropriations for expenses (no written report); and

S. Res. 93, to provide an additional $25,000 to Committee on Armed Services for expenses. Pages 8087–8088

Treasury and Post Office Appropriations: After adopting conference report on H. R. 3083, Treasury and Post Office appropriations for 1950, the Senate, by 77 yeas to 0 nays, voted in favor of Maybank motion that it further insist on its amendments Nos. 5, 6, and 7, relating to the Bureau of Internal Revenue.

Senate then asked for further conference and reappointed as conferees Senators Maybank, Hayden, Kilgore, McClellan, Johnston of South Carolina, Cordon, Reed, and Bridges. Pages 8113–8116

Navy Laws: Senate accepted House amendment to S. 1794, to repeal certain obsolete provisions of law relating to the naval service, thus clearing bill for President. Pages 8116–8117

Taft-Hartley Repeal: Senate worked on S. 249, National Labor Relations Act of 1949, repealing the Labor-Management Relations Act of 1947 (the so-called Taft-Hartley Act), rejecting the following two amendments:

By 15 yeas to 67 nays, Ives amendment to title 3 of Thomas substitute (dealing with national emergency) directing President to refer to Congress for legislative action questions of work stoppage involving national emergency, but providing for no injunctions or Government seizure. Immediately preceding this action, Senate had rejected, by 27 yeas to 55 nays, Douglas amendment to the above Ives amendment, providing for 90-day seizure of plants in strikes involving national emergency.

Two amendments to title 3 (national emergency strikes) of the Thomas substitute were pending at recess, a substitute amendment by Senator Taft authorizing antistrike injunctions in national emergency or permitting 60-day Government seizure of plants, and an amendment by Senator Morse providing for no injunctions unless specifically authorized by Congress and no Government seizure unless specifically recommended by President and agreed to by Congress. (A vote recurs first on the Morse amendment.) Also pending is Douglas perfecting amendment to the above Taft substitute amendment, providing for 90-day seizure of plants in strikes involving national emergency.

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Confirmations: Two civilian nominations were confirmed, including that of Oscar Kent La Roque, of North Carolina, to be member of Home Loan Bank Board. Page 8126

Nominations: Twenty-nine civilian and twenty-eight Air Force nominations were received. Page 8126

Committee Meetings

COTTON QUOTAS

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Richard M. King, representing the Lea County, N. Mex., Farm Bureau, and the Lovington, N. Mex., Chamber of Commerce, appeared before the subcommittee to urge adequate allotments to new cotton farm areas, in connection with its consideration of S. 1962, to amend the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938 with respect to cotton marketing quota provisions. Subcommittee meets tomorrow in executive session.

INDEPENDENT OFFICES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: In executive session, subcommittee continued work on marking up for reporting to the full committee H. R. 4177, independent offices appropriations for 1950. Subcommittee did not conclude its work but continues tomorrow.

MILITARY ESTABLISHMENT APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee continued in executive session throughout the day considering H. R. 4146, Military Establishment appropriations for 1950, receiving testimony on appropriations for the Quartermaster Corps and Transportation Division of the Army from Generals Feldman, Crawford, and Arnold, and Maj. Gen. Heilemann, and on funds generally for the Navy from Admirals Hopwood, J. J. Manning, H. L. Pugh, and Thorvald A. Solberg. Hearings continue tomorrow.

FOREIGN-AID APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Continuing hearings on H. R. 4830, foreign-aid appropriations for 1950, committee received testimony from the following witnesses: Senator Murray; Representatives Gamble and Gwinn; A. R. Trapp, an optician of Eastchester, N. Y.; Frederick C. McLaughlin, attorney of White Plains, N. Y.; I. G. Taubeneck, Bronxville High School; Laurence Kellogg, Kellogg Lumber Co., Monroe, La.; Walter Harnischfeger, Harnischfeger Corp., Milwaukee; and Fred Hausdorff, New York City. Hearings continue tomorrow.

RFC POLICY

Committee on Banking and Currency: Harvey Gunderson, member of the Board of Directors of RFC, appeared before the subcommittee to discuss the policy which should be followed by the RFC in making loans during the current period. Subcommittee continues tomorrow.

REORGANIZATION PLANS AND CHANGES IN GOVERNMENT

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: In executive session, committee voted to report with perfecting amendments H. R. 3549, to permit Comptroller General to pay claims chargeable against lapsed appropriations and to provide for the return of unexpended balances of such appropriations to the surplus fund.

Each of the seven reorganization plans, submitted to Congress by the President on June 20, was referred respectively to seven subcommittees for study and a report. Chairman McClellan asked the subcommittees to make their reports back to the full committee at the earliest possible date.

Various bills were referred to subcommittees for study as follows: S. 193, 1692, and 1997, dealing with the creation of employee indemnity fund—to subcommittee consisting of Senators Hoey, Taylor, O'Conor, McCarthy, and Schoeppel.

S. 942, to establish principles and policies to govern generally the executive branch of the Government—to subcommittee consisting of Senators McClellan, Eastland, Humphrey, Mundt, and Vandenberg.

S. 2054, to authorize the President to determine the form of the national budget and of departmental estimates, to modernize and simplify Government accounting and auditing methods and procedures—to subcommittee consisting of Senators McClellan and McCarthy.

S. 2073 and 2059, to make changes in law relative to regulatory agencies in Government, and S. 2072 and 2061, to create commission to make study of administrative overseas activities of the Government—to subcommittee consisting of Senators McClellan, Eastland, and Ives.

S. 972 and H. R. 3851, relative to surplus airport property—to subcommittee consisting of Senators Humphrey and Mundt.

Twelve bills (S. 352, 597, 649, 701, 767, 810, 990, 991, S. J. Res. 41, 94, 97, and 102) were indefinitely postponed since their objectives were included in other bills already reported.

COUNCIL OF FOREIGN MINISTERS, AND FOREIGN SERVICE NOMINATIONS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee met in executive session to hear Secretary of State Acheson discuss the recent meeting of the Council of Foreign Ministers. Prior to his departure for the meeting, Secretary Acheson had met in executive session with the committee to discuss problems and plans. After the meeting today he stated, "I reported upon the Conference and discussed with the committee the possible effect of developments at the Conference on our plans for the future."

The following nominations were voted reported favorably: George W. Perkins, New York, Edward G. Miller, New York, George C. McGhee, Texas, John D. Hickerson, Texas, and W. Walton Butterworth, Louisiana, all to be Assistant Secretaries of State; George F. Kennan, Wisconsin, to be counselor, and Adrian S. Fisher, Tennessee, to be legal adviser, both for the State Department; Ellis O. Briggs to be Ambassador to Czechoslovakia; Nathaniel P. Davis to be Minister to Hungary; Joseph Flack to be Ambassador to Costa Rica; Christian M. Ravndal to be Ambassador to Uruguay; and George P. Shaw to be Ambassador to El Salvador.

NATURAL GAS, TRAWLERS, AND NOMINATIONS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: In executive session, committee voted to report H. R. 4252, to transfer trawlers *Alaska* and *Oregon* from the RFC to the Fish and Wildlife Service, and tentatively agreed to report with an amendment in the nature of a substitute S. 1498, to amend the Natural Gas Act to exempt independent producers and gatherers of natural gas.

The nomination of Edward H. Davidson, New Jersey, to be Director of Locomotive Inspection, was voted reported favorably, along with approximately 250 nominations in the Coast Guard and Coast Guard Reserve.

OIL TANKERS—PANAMANIAN REGISTRY

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Continuing hearings on transfer of Standard Oil tankers

to Panamanian registry, subcommittee received testimony on the subject from M. G. Gamble, Standard Oil, and Frazier Bailey, president, National Federation of American Shipping. Subcommittee adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

CIVIL RIGHTS

Committee on the Judiciary: Will Maslow, American Jewish Congress, and Herbert M. Levi, American Civil Liberties Union, appeared before the subcommittee to testify in support of S. 1725, to protect the civil rights of persons within the jurisdiction of the U. S. Subcommittee meets again June 29.

NATIONAL HEALTH

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee continued hearings on pending national health bills (S. 1106, 1456, 1581, and 1679), with following witnesses expressing their views on the proposed legislation: Dr. Bernard C. Meyer, Physicians' Forum, New York; Drs. Joseph M. Babcock and H. Ward Ewalt, Jr., both representing the American Optometric Association; Joseph Anderson, American Association of Social Workers; and Helen Hall, National Federation of Settlements, New York.

COLUMBIA RIVER VALLEY

Committee on Public Works: Further testimony in support of Columbia River Valley development bills (S. 1595, 1631, 1632, and 1645) was received by the committee from the following witnesses: C. Girard Davidson, Assistant Secretary of Interior; Charles Hodde, speaker, House of Representatives, Washington State; and Truman Styner, Burley, Idaho, representing Farmers Union of Washington, Oregon, Idaho, and West Montana. Hearings continue tomorrow.

SMALL BUSINESS, COMMITTEE EXPENSES, PRINTING AND BINDING, MARYLAND SENATORIAL CONTEST, AND SENATE RESTAURANT

Committee on Rules and Administration: In executive session, the committee voted to report without amendment H. R. 4878, to authorize certain Government printing, binding, and blank-book work elsewhere than at the GPO, if approved by the Joint Committee on Printing.

The following resolutions were ordered reported: S. Res. 58, to create a standing Senate Committee on Small Business; S. Res. 127, to pay counsel fees incurred in the Maryland senatorial contest in 1947; S. Res. 93, to provide an additional $25,000 for the Committee on Armed Services for expenses; S. Res. 117, to provide an additional $10,000 to the Committee on Labor and Public Welfare for printing hearings; and S. Res. 126, to provide an additional $10,000 for the Committee on Appropriations for expenses.

Committee also considered the Senate restaurant contract for fiscal 1950.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Sixteen public bills, H. R. 5279–5294; five private bills, H. R. 5295–5299; and four resolutions, H. J. Res. 279 and 280, and H. Res. 262 and 263, were introduced. **Pages 8168–8169**

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

Conference report on H. R. 2989, to incorporate the Virgin Islands Corporation (H. Rept. 870);

Six private bills, H. R. 1028, 1038, 1447, 1679, 1861, and 2602 (H. Repts. 871–876, respectively);

Conference report on H. R. 4392, payment of Swiss war-damage claims (H. Rept. 877); and

H. R. 4755, to authorize appointment of an Advisory Committee on Indian Affairs (H. Rept. 878). **Pages 8128, 8168**

D. C. Appropriations: Disagreed to Senate amendments to H. R. 3082, the District of Columbia appropriation bill for 1950; requested a conference with the Senate; and appointed Representatives Bates of Kentucky, Yates, Furculo, Cannon, Church, and Stockman conferees on the part of the House. **Page 8128**

Swiss War Claims: Adopted conference report on H. R. 4392, payment of Swiss war-damage claims, thereby clearing the measure for the President. **Page 8138**

Housing: Adopted H. Res. 257, the rule providing for consideration of, and 8 hours of debate on, H. R. 4009, the Housing Act of 1949. Following this, the House debated the housing bill for nearly 3 hours before postponing further consideration until Thursday. **Pages 8128–8167**

Bills Referred: Thirty Senate-passed bills, passed on June 21, were referred to appropriate committees. **Pages 8167–8168**

Committee Meetings

FARM PROGRAM

Committee on Agriculture: The Pace special subcommittee approved the proposed farm-program bill, as amended, for reporting to the full committe, for consideration at tomorrow's meeting.

LAND TRANSFERS

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee No. 3 approved the following amended bills for reporting to the full committee: H. R. 2360, a private bill; H. R. 2415, transfer of land at Fort Gladsen, Fla.; and H. R. 2448, to convey certain lands of the Army to San Francisco. Testifying on these measures were Representatives Havenner and Welch, both of California; Francis V. Keesling, Jr., San Francisco, Calif.; Phillip W. Kelleher, Department of the Army; and Howard Burnstein and Mr. Willoughby, both of the Veterans' Administration.

DISTRICT BILLS

Committee on the District of Columbia: The Judiciary Subcommittee approved for reporting to the full committee H. R. 4705, consolidating certain offices of the D. C. government. Also considered, but took no action on, the following bills: H. R. 1370, authorizing appointment of three additional judges of the D. C. municipal court; H. R. 1386 and 4229, amending the D. C. Alcoholic Beverage Control Act; H. R. 2105, similar to H. R. 1370, and relating to prescribing the qualifications of the judges; H. R. 3343, to provide for incorporation, merger, dissolution, etc., of certain D. C. business corporations; and H. R. 4706, authorizing certain contracts not exceeding $5,000 in the District of Columbia. Witnesses testifying on these various bills today were Vernon West, Corporation Counsel; Allan W. Payne, Chairman of the Alcoholic Beverage Control Board; and representatives and members of the D. C. Bar Association. Adjourned subject to the call of the Chair.

KOREAN AID

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Met in executive session to continue discussions on aid to Korea. Tomorrow the committee meets to hear Secretary of State Dean Acheson.

ANTIPOLL TAX—COMMITTEE AUTHORIZATIONS

Committee on House Administration: Ordered the following bills and resolutions reported to the House:

H. R. 3199, amended, making unlawful the requirement for payment of a poll tax as a prerequisite to voting in a national primary or election;

H. R. 2290, amended, to provide for cooperation by the Smithsonian Institution with State, educational, and scientific organizations in the U. S. for continuing paleontological investigations in areas which will be flooded by the construction of Government dams;

H. J. Res. 240, amended, erection of a statue of Simon Bolivar in the District of Columbia;

H. Res. 210, funds for studies and investigations by the Committee on Agriculture not to exceed $50,000;

H. Res. 233, funds for studies and investigations by the Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries; and

H. Res. 237, funds for studies and investigations by the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

NATIONAL HEALTH

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee on Public Health, Science, and Commerce considered title II of the national health bills treating on medical research, and H. R. 3943, omnibus medical research bill, in conjunction with H. R. 62 and its related bills on multiple sclerosis. The following authors of these bills were heard by the group: Representatives Fulton (H. R. 62); Tollefson (H. R. 1436); Hoeven (H. R. 1573); Mansfield (H. R. 2303); Weichel (H. R. 4738); and Talle (H. R. 5073). Speaking on behalf of the legislation, as witnesses, were Representative Keating; Carl M. Owen of Willkie, Owen, Farr, Gallagher, and Walton; Harry A. Murphy of the National Multiple-Sclerosis Society, Dr. C. H. Traeger, Dr. H. Houston Merritt of the New York Neurological Institute; Dr. Tracy J. Putnam of the National Multiple-Sclerosis Society; and Miss Sylvia Lawry, executive secretary of the National Multiple-Sclerosis Society, all groups being from New York City. Statements were filed for Dr. Rene Cailliet, Kabat-Kaiser Institute, Washington, D. C., and Henry J. Kaiser, Jr., chairman, California chapter, National Multiple-Sclerosis Society, Los Angeles, Calif. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

NATURAL GAS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee on Petroleum and Federal Power approved amendments to the Natural Gas Act and ordered them favorably reported to the entire committee for consideration at a later date.

CIVIL RIGHTS—INVENTIONS—COURTS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 3 continued hearings on civil-rights bills, H. R. 4682, 4683, etc. Witnesses appearing on this legislation were Dr. Samuel McCrea Cavert, general secretary, Federal Council of Churches; Elmer W. Henderson, director, American Council on Human Rights; Mike Masaoka, Japanese-American Citizens League antidiscrimination committee; Herbert M. Levy, staff counsel, American Civil Liberties Union; Will Maslow, general counsel, American Jewish Congress; Leslie Perry, Association for the Advancement of Colored People; and Samuel Markle, Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith. In executive session ordered favorably reported seven private claims bills, and adversely reported three.

Subcommittee No. 4 heard the following witnesses on H. R. 4798, a bill relating to the national policy regarding the test of determining invention: John C. Stedman and Roy Hackley of the Department of Justice, former Representative Fritz Lanham, and Edmund Parry of the American Patent Law Association.

Subcommittee No. 2 heard Delegate Bartlett on H. R. 2013 (S. 70) to make the rules of civil procedure applicable to the District Court of Alaska. Elmore Whitehurst, Assistant Director of the Administrative Office of the U. S. Courts, testified in support of S. 1042, relating to fees, expenses, and costs of jurors; E. J. Matchett and George M. Miller, from the Department of Justice, testified in support of H. R. 4524, relating to fees of marshals, and H. R. 4875, travel expense allowances for Government employee witnesses. In executive session the subcommittee ordered reported favorably to the full committee S. 70, H. R. 4875, and S. 1042.

POSTMASTERS' COMPENSATION

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: The Davis subcommittee approved for reporting to the full committee H. R. 5168, to clarify the laws relating to the compensation of postmasters at fourth-class post offices which have been advanced because of unusual conditions.

LAND AND INDIAN BILLS

Committee on Public Lands: Ordered the following bills reported to the House:

H. R. 2869, amended, to authorize $100,000 in aid of a system of drainage and sanitation for Polson, Mont.;

H. R. 3282, amended, to repeal Indian liquor laws in certain parts of Minnesota;

H. R. 4403, amended, recreational uses of lands and waters within Federal projects;

H. R. 4548, national cemetery at Fort Logan, Colo., and

H. R. 5232, to amend the Road Act of May 26, 1928, authorizing appropriations for roads on Indian reservations.

Held further hearings on H. R. 1356, to authorize a Commission on Federal Reimbursement to States and Local Governments (in lieu of tax), and heard additional testimony from Keith L. Seegmiller, Washington representative of the National Association of County Officials.

COLUMBIA VALLEY ADMINISTRATION

Committee on Public Works: At today's hearings on H. R. 4286 and 4287, for establishment of the Columbia Valley Administration, the committee heard testimony of Representative Mitchell, author of H. R. 4286, and Secretary of the Interior Julius A. Krug, both of whom strongly endorsed the proposed legislation. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

SOCIAL SECURITY

Committee on Ways and Means: Held further executive discussion of proposed amendments to the Social Security Act. Will continue on this work at tomorrow's meeting.

Joint Committee Meetings

ATOMIC ENERGY

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Committee heard testimony directed to AEC policies in operations at Hanford works, Richland, Wash., and on the general policy of the AEC with regard to contracts with concessionaires at the installation from Joseph Volpe, Jr., general counsel of the AEC; Fred C. Schlemmer, manager, Hanford operations office; and H. A. Winne, vice president, General Electric Co. Hearings continue tomorrow.

LABOR-FSA APPROPRIATIONS

Conferees on H. R. 3333, Labor-Federal Security appropriations for 1950, in executive session, agreed to file a report on the differences between the House- and Senate-passed versions of the bill. The report will be filed in the House tomorrow.

STATE, JUSTICE, COMMERCE APPROPRIATIONS

Conferees on H. R. 4016, State, Justice, Commerce, and Judiciary appropriations for 1950, continued in executive session to work on differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of the bill, but did not conclude their work. Conferees meet again tomorrow.

Thursday, June 23, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate worked on Taft-Hartley repeal, rejecting Morse amendment.
House debated housing bill.
Senate committee voted to report bill on cotton quotas.
Bills on Federal employees' compensation, farm loans, and rural telephones cleared for House consideration by Rules Committee.
Conferees agreed to file a report on D. C. appropriations.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 8170–8188

Bills Introduced: Seven bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 2129 to S. 2135; and S. Con. Res. 49. Pages 8175–8176

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 862 and S. 863, conveyance of certain lands to city and county of San Francisco, with amendments (S. Repts. 560 and 561);

S. 780, to provide for relief of Commander Edward White Rawlins, USN, with amendments (S. Rept. 562);

S. 1990, to amend section 429 of Revised Statutes so as to eliminate the requirement of detailed annual reports to Congress concerning proceeds of sales of condemned material, with amendments (S. Rept. 563); and

S. 1647, to eliminate premium payments in the purchase of Government royalty oil under existing contracts entered into pursuant to the act of July 13, 1946 (S. Rept. 564). Page 8170

President's Message: Received message from President recommending increase in salary for heads and assistant heads of executive departments. Pages 8170, 8273–8274

Virgin Islands: Conference report on H. R. 2989, to incorporate Virgin Islands Corporation, was adopted. Pages 8207–8209

Taft-Hartley Repeal: Senate worked on S. 249, National Labor Relations Act of 1949, repealing the Labor-Management Relations Act of 1947 (the so-called Taft-Hartley Act), rejecting, by 9 yeas to 77 nays, Morse amendment to title III (national emergency strikes) of the Thomas substitute, providing for no injunctions unless specifically authorized by Congress and no Government seizure unless specifically recommended by President and agreed to by Congress.

Pending at recess were Taft substitute to title III (national emergency strikes) of the Thomas substitute, authorizing antistrike injunctions in national emergencies or permitting 60-day Government seizure of plants; Lucas amendment to above Taft substitute, striking out all provisions for antistrike injunctions in national emergencies; and a perfecting amendment by Senator Holland to title III of the Thomas substitute, removing provisions for Government seizure and authorizing injunctions in emergency strikes. (Vote recurs first on the Holland amendment.) Douglas amendment to the Taft substitute amendment, providing for 90-day seizure of plants in strikes involving national emergencies, was withdrawn. Pages 8189–8206, 8209–8218

Confirmations: Two hundred and sixty-eight civilian nominations were confirmed, including four Assistant Secretaries of State, and three Ambassadors. Five thousand and thirty-one Navy and one Army nominations were also confirmed. Pages 8218–8219

Nominations: Two civilian, twenty-three Army, and one hundred and twelve Navy nominations were received, along with one postmaster withdrawal. Page 8219

Committee Meetings

CROP PRODUCTION—FATS AND OILS

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Subcommittee, in pursuance of S. Res. 36, authorizing investigations of matters relating to crop production and utilization, heard Dr. Dennis E. Fitzgerald, Food Division of ECA, discuss exportation of fats and oils to the participating countries under the Marshall plan, and Dr. John L. Coulter, consulting economist, National Renderers Association, on the foreign and domestic fats and oils situation and on the question of protection of oil producers in this country. Subcommittee adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

COTTON QUOTAS

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Subcommittee, in executive session, voted to report to the full committee with perfecting amendments S. 1962, to amend the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938 with respect to cotton marketing quota provisions. The report is expected to be made to the full committee Saturday.

INDEPENDENT OFFICES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee, in executive session, continued work on marking up for reporting to the full committee H. R. 4177, independent offices appropriations for 1950, but did not conclude its work. Subcommittee continues tomorrow.

FOREIGN-AID APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Continuing hearings on H. R. 4830, foreign-aid appropriations for 1950, the committee received testimony from the following witnesses: Edgar C. Bundy, Wheaton Daily Journal, Wheaton, Ill.; Robert Emmett Rodes, Washington, D. C.; Eric T. King, Typewriter Manufacturers Export Association, Washington, D. C.; and Walter J. Mason, American Federation of Labor. Hearings continue tomorrow.

MILITARY APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Continuing hearings in executive session on H. R. 4146, Military Establishment appropriations for 1950, subcommittee received testimony on the proposed appropriations (most of whom confined their testimony to specific phases of the bill) from the following witnesses: Senator Flanders; General Walsh, president, National Guard Association; Colonel Lister, National Association for Promotion of Rifle Practice, and Representative Burke, also in behalf of the same association; Col. C. M. Boyer and Commander Henry G. Doyle, Reserve Officers Association of U. S.; Mrs. Laning Taylor, Cooperative Milk Producers Federation; R. M. Lovelady, American Federation of Government Employees, Canal Zone; N. P. Alifas, International Association of Machinists; and Representative Johnson. Hearings continue tomorrow.

NOMINATIONS, PETROLEUM RESERVE, PAY BILL, AND LAND

Committee on Armed Services: In executive session, the committee voted to report favorably 5,031 nominations, including 5,030 Navy and 1 Army. It approved an Executive order relative to Naval Petroleum Reserve No. 2, Kern County, Calif.

Subcommittee reports on the following two bills were received, and the full committee voted the bills reported to the Senate, as follows: S. 862 and S. 863, conveyance of certain lands to city and county of San Francisco.

It also received subcommittee report on S. 780, to provide for relief of Commander Edward White Rawlins, USN, and the full committee voted to report the bill with an amendment in the nature of a substitute, striking out all after the enacting clause and substituting new language therefor.

Gen. Omar Bradley appeared before the committee in open session to testify in support of H. R. 5007, to provide increased pay, allowances, and physical disability retirement for members of the uniformed services.

RFC POLICY

Committee on Banking and Currency: Subcommittee, continuing its hearings on RFC policy in making loans, received testimony from Richard Hellman, public utility economist, under subpena, on application of the Northwest Air Lines for a loan from the RFC. Harvey Gunderson, member of the Board of Directors of RFC, and assistants, testified on loans to Lustron Corp., Preferred Accident Insurance Co., and on the Northwest application. Subcommittee meets again June 30.

NOMINATION

Committee on Finance: Committee concluded hearings on the nomination of Judge Marion Harron to be judge of the U. S. Tax Court, after receiving testimony in support of the nomination from Julius Henry Cohen, New York; Mason G. Kassell, New York; Leonard Sarner, Philadelphia; Col. O. R. McGuire, Washington, D. C.; and Howard W. Rea, Washington, D. C.

RAILROAD COMMUNICATIONS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Opposition testimony to S. 238, to require certain railroads to install communications systems and to establish operating and safety rules for operation of trains, was received by the subcommittee from the following witnesses: James M. Hood, president, American Short Line Association; F. G. Curley, Santa Fe Railroad; James Hill, president, Louisville & Nashville Railroad; and Carter Fort, Association of American Railroads. Hearings continue tomorrow.

AIR-LINE INDUSTRY

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: John F. Budd, editor and publisher, Air Transportation, American Import and Export Bulletin, Customs House Guide, and Air Shippers' Manual, appeared before the committee in connection with its hearings in pursuance of S. Res. 50, to study and investigate financial condition and operating efficiency of the air-line industry, to discuss primarily commercial air cargo and air transportation. Hearings continue tomorrow.

VETERANS

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee, in executive session, voted to report to the full committee, without amendment, S. 1859, to transfer certain land at Chillicothe, Ohio, from the VA to the Bureau of Prisons.

In open hearings, the subcommittee received testimony from the following witnesses on S. 2115, to authorize payments by VA on purchase of automobiles or other conveyances by certain disabled veterans (amputees): Representative Rogers of Massachusetts; James W. Wilson, Jacksonville, Fla., and William C. Bardon, Cincinnati, both amputees; Omar B. Ketchum, VFW; and Representative Bennett of Florida.

The following witnesses testified on S. 1741, S. 1972, and S. J. Res. 77, to extend period of payment of unemployment and readjustment allowances under the GI bill of rights: Senator Taylor; Guy H. Birdsall, VA; Dr. Robert Ashley and Tom Downs, both of Unemployment Commission of Michigan; Omar B. Ketchum, VFW; Robert R. Poston and Ralph Lavers, both representing American Legion; Gilbert A. Harrison, AVC; and Robert E. McLaughlin, AMVETS.

COLUMBIA RIVER VALLEY

Committee on Public Works: Continuing hearings on Columbia River Valley development bills (S. 1595, 1631, 1632, and 1645), the committee heard M. C. Simpson, president, Montana Stock Growers Association, testify in opposition to the bills.

The following witnesses testified in support of them: Walter Pearson, Oregon State treasurer; Morton Tompkins, master, Oregon State Grange; Earl Coe, secretary of state, Washington; and Frank Stewart, Public Utilities Association of Washington. Hearings continue tomorrow.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Seventeen public bills, H. R. 5300–5316; three private bills, H. R. 5317–5319; and two resolutions, H. Con. Res. 96 and H. Res. 264, were introduced. **Pages 8223, 8279, 8283**

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. R. 5300, third deficiency appropriation bill for 1949 (H. Rept. 879);

Three private bills, H. R. 2344, 2608, and 3618 (H. Repts. 880–882, respectively);

H. R. 3383, basing Federal employees' compensation for night work (night differential) on either standard or daylight saving time (H. Rept. 883);

Eight private bills, S. 113, 275, 322, 623, 1138, 1167, 1266, and 1296 (H. Repts. 884–891, respectively);

Conference report on H. R. 3333, the Department of Labor and the Federal Security Agency appropriation bill for 1950 (H. Rept. 892);

(For House reports 893–897, see under "Administrative Resolutions" elsewhere under this date.)

H. Res. 264, providing for agreeing to Senate amendments to H. R. 858, to clarify the overtime compensation provisions of the Fair Labor Standards Act as applied in the longshore, stevedoring, building, and construction industries (H. Rept. 898); and

Conference report on H. R. 3997, the Department of Agriculture appropriation bill for 1950 (H. Rept. 899). **Pages 8270–8272, 8283**

Federal Property and Administrative Services: Disagreed to Senate amendment to H. R. 4754, to simplify the procurement, utilization, and disposal of Government property, to reorganize certain Government agencies; agreed to conference requested by the Senate; and appointed Representatives Dawson, Holifield, Burnside, Riehlman, and Harvey conferees on the part of the House. **Page 8222**

Treasury-Post Office Appropriation: Further insisted on its disagreement to Senate amendments to H. R. 3083, the Treasury and Post Office Departments appropriation bill for 1950; agreed to further conference; and appointed Representatives Gary, Fernandez, Passman, Cannon, Canfield, and Coudert as conferees. **Page 8222**

Private Bills: Agreed to Senate amendments to the following three private bills, H. R. 750, 3458, and 2709, thereby clearing them for Presidential action. **Page 8222**

International Bank Securities: Adopted H. Con. Res. 96, providing for correction in enrollment of H. R. 4332, to amend the National Bank Act and the Bretton Woods Agreements Act so as to facilitate the marketing of securities of the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development. **Page 8222**

Housing: Resumed consideration of H. R. 4009, to establish a national housing objective and the policy to

be followed in the attainment thereof, and, after 4 hours of debate thereon, postponed further action on the bill until Friday. Pages 8223–8269

Fats and Oils: Passed H. R. 5240, temporary extension of the Second Decontrol Act of 1947, with respect to fats and oils, including butter and rice and rice products.

Adopted an amendment extending for 1 year instead of 18 months the power of the President to regulate imports of the above-mentioned commodities.

Pages 8269–8270

Labor-FSA Appropriation: Adopted conference report on H. R. 3333, the Department of Labor and the Federal Security Agency appropriation bill for 1950. On the two amendments in disagreement, the House voted to recede and concur with a further amendment in each instance, and sent it back to the Senate.

Pages 8270–8272

President's Message—Salary Increases: Heard message from the President announcing his approval of H. R. 4583, relative to clerk hire and telephone and telegraph expenses of Representatives, also recommending enactment of legislation increasing the salary scales of heads and assistant heads of executive departments and other officers of the executive branch.

The message was referred to the Committee on Post Office and Civil Service and ordered printed as a House document (H. Doc. 238). Pages 8273–8274

Administrative Resolutions: Reported, considered, and adopted the following resolutions and bill from the Committee on House Administration:

H. Res. 237 (H. Rept. 893), funds for studies and investigations by the Committee on Foreign Affairs;

H. Res. 210 (H. Rept. 894), funds for studies and investigations by the Committee on Agriculture not to exceed $50,000;

H. Res. 233 (H. Rept. 895), funds for studies and investigations by the Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries;

H. R. 2290 (H. Rept. 896), amended, to provide for cooperation by the Smithsonian Institution with State, educational, and scientific organizations in the U. S. for continuing paleontological investigations in areas which will be flooded by the construction of Government dams; and

H. J. Res. 240 (H. Rept. 897), amended, erection of a statue of Simon Bolivar in the District of Columbia.

Pages 8274–8275

Virgin Islands Corporation: Adopted conference report on H. R. 2989, creating the Virgin Islands Corporation under Federal law to succeed the Virgin Islands Company. Pages 8275–8277

Committee Meetings

FARM PROGRAM

Committee on Agriculture: Opened executive discussions on the committee print of the bill on the national farm program which was approved by the Pace special subcommittee yesterday. Will resume on this legislation tomorrow.

NAVY STAFF CORPS—FOREIGN DECORATIONS—RETIREMENT PAY

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee No. 1 approved for reporting to the full committee H. R. 5238, amended, to adjust the lineal positions of certain officers of the staff corps of the Navy, and H. R. 4383, amended, authorizing former Army personnel to accept certain gifts and decorations of foreign governments. Rear Adm. Thomas L. Sprague, Chief of Naval Personnel, Department of the Navy, was heard on the first-mentioned bill, and Col. Robert Lancefield, Department of the Army, testified on the latter.

Considered, but held over until tomorrow, H. R. 3039, amendments regarding retirement pay under Army and Air Force Vitalization and Retirement Equalization Act of 1948, with Representative Ford speaking on this measure

SECRETARY OF STATE

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Heard Secretary of State Dean Acheson in executive session and will meet again tomorrow to resume its discussions on the subject of aid to Korea.

INLAND WATERWAYS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee on Transportation concluded hearings on H. R. 328, 429, and 4978, relative to increasing the capital stock of the Inland Waterways Corporation. Representative Gathings spoke on behalf of the legislation; followed by the listed opposition witnesses: L. L. Harvey, manager, Washington office, Port of New York Authority; Harold F. Hammond, manager, transportation and communication department, U. S. Chamber of Commerce; Frederick E. Brown, of LaRoe, Brown & Winn, Washington, D. C., representing the American Barge Lines; and J. H. Parmelee, director, bureau of railway economics, Association of American Railroads, Washington, D. C.

NATIONAL HEALTH

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee on Public Health, Science, and Commerce continued consideration of national health bills (title II, medical research), cerebral palsy, epilepsy, leprosy, cancer, heart disease, and poliomyelitis. Witnesses testifying today were Miss Ruth Tichenor, Fairmont, W. Va.; Mrs. Rupert L. Dunn, president, Montgomery County Cerebral Palsy Association, Takoma Park, Md.; and Paul A. Strachan, president, American Federation of the Physically Handicapped, Inc., all favoring research on cerebral palsy. Dr. William G. Lennox, Children's Medical Center, Boston, Mass., and Dr. Arthur Morris, Washington, D. C., spoke on epilepsy. Speaking on cerebral palsy and epilepsy were Paul A. Strachan and Dr. Tracy J. Putnam, past president and member of medical advisory boards of National Association To Control Epilepsy and American League Against Epilepsy, and member of the National Academy of Cerebral Palsy, Beverly Hills, Calif. Testifying regarding leprosy were Dr. Robert Stolar, Washington, D. C.; Nick Farrell, U. S. Public Health Hospital, Carville, La.; Paul A. Strachan; B. L. Spann, representing American Legion and Patients' Federation at Carville, Baton Rouge, La.; and Harry S. Wender, general counsel, American Federation of the Physically Handicapped, Inc., Washington, D. C. Representative Hand was heard relative to cancer, heart disease, and poliomyelitis.

Statements were submitted regarding various phases of the legislation at hand by the following: Representative Peterson; Irving Goldman, president, Cerebral Palsy Association, Inc., Miami, Fla.; Dr. Herman Kabat, Permanente Foundation Hospitals, Oakland, Calif.; Dr. Winthrop M. Phelps, Baltimore, Md.; Miss Ruth E. Loyster, Ypsilanti, Mich.; Miss Frances M. Giden, research assistant to the director, Institute of Logopedics, Inc., Wichita, Kans.; Miss Lily Mae Clawson, president, Spastics of America, Wichita, Kans.; Dr. Perry Burgess, president, Leonard Wood Memorial, New York City; Dr. E. R. Kellersberger, general secretary, American Mission to Lepers, New York City; and Col. G. H. Rarey, USA (retired), Decatur, Ga. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

GERMANY

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 1, in executive session, heard John J. McCloy, U. S. High Commissioner of Germany.

COMMISSIONS—NAUTICAL SCHOOLS—MERCHANT MARINE

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: The Subcommittee on Coast and Geodetic Survey, Public Health Service, Customs Service, Maritime Schools, and Miscellaneous Matters heard the following witnesses on bills considered today: Admiral L. O. Colbert, Director, Coast and Geodetic Survey, on H. R. 2572, extending the provisions of the Armed Forces Leave Act to commissioned officers of the Coast and Geodetic Survey; Representatives Johnson of California, Hale, and Nicholson, State Senator Levitt of Maine, and Rear Adm. Telfair Knight, Chief, Bureau of Maritime Services, U. S. Maritime Commission, on H. R. 4198, to provide for nautical education in the Territories and to facilitate nautical education in States and Territories; Representative Keogh on H. R. 242, to confer degree of bachelor of science upon graduates of U. S. Merchant Marine Academy; and Hoyt S. Haddock, executive secretary, CIO Maritime Committee, and Rear Admiral Knight, on H. R. 4448, providing for creation, administration, etc., of a Merchant Marine Reserve. Tentatively scheduled to resume on these bills Thursday, June 30.

POSTAL RATES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Public hearings were concluded on H. R. 2945, to increase certain postal rates, with Postmaster General Jesse M. Donaldson and Nelson B. Wentzel, Deputy Third Assistant Postmaster General, testifying in favor, presenting their recommendations for increases in rates and fees. No executive action was taken by the committee today.

CALIFORNIA INDIANS

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Indian Affairs considered proposed improvements on Indian lands in California. Witnesses heard on this subject were Roy Colegate, city attorney, Palm Springs, Calif.; Oliver O. Clark, attorney, Los Angeles, Calif.; F. G. Collett, executive representative, Indians of California; Florian Boyd, member, City Council, Palm Springs, Calif.; William H. Flanery, Assistant Solicitor, Bureau of Indian Affairs; L. M. Stevens, assistant to Commissioner of Indian Affairs; and Mrs. Ruth Foutz, Palm Springs, Calif.

IRRIGATION DISTRICT CONTRACTS

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation approved for reporting to the full committee H. R. 5184, approving contracts and authorizing their execution with the following irrigation districts: Belle Fourche; Deaver; Westland; Stanfield; Vale, Oreg.; and Prosser. Witnesses speaking in favor of this legislation were Representatives Stockman, Holmes, and Barrett of Wyoming; J. G. Will, counsel, Bureau of Reclamation, Department of the Interior; Floyd E. Dominey, Acting Director, Bureau of Operations and Maintenance, Bureau of Reclamation, Department of the Interior; Sam Bover, farmer, Newell, S. Dak. Adjourned subject to the call of the Chair.

COLUMBIA VALLEY ADMINISTRATION

Committee on Public Works: Continued hearings on H. R. 4286 and 4287, to establish the Columbia Valley Administration, and heard testimony from Charles Hodde, speaker of the house in the Washington State Legislature, and Austin Flegel, State senator, Oregon. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

FEDERAL EMPLOYEES—FARM LOANS—RURAL TELEPHONES

Committee on Rules: Granted open rule providing for 2 hours' debate on H. R. 3191, providing workmen's compensation to Federal employees injured on the job. Representatives Kelley, Burke, and Bailey spoke in favor of the legislation.

Granted open rule providing for 1 hour's debate on H. R. 3699, amending the Federal Farm Loan Act with respect to limitations on Federal land-bank loans to individual farmers, etc. Representatives Poage and Cooley spoke on behalf of the rule.

Also granted an open rule providing 2 hours' debate on H. R. 2960, authorizing loans for financing rural telephone service.

Considered, but took no action on, a rule for H. R. 976, to establish a Mine Incentives Payment Division in the Interior Department, with Representatives Engle of California and Mansfield speaking in favor of a rule; and H. Res. 79, authorizing the Committee on Banking and Currency to investigate spread between prices received by producers of goods and prices paid by consumers and to report by January 3, 1950. Representative Dollinger was heard on this resolution.

SOCIAL SECURITY

Committee on Ways and Means: Continued executive discussion on proposed amendments to the Social Security Act. Will hold further consideration tomorrow on the same subject.

Joint Committee Meetings

ATOMIC ENERGY

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Committee heard further testimony by Fred C. Schlemmer, manager, Hanford operations office; Carroll L. Tyler, manager, Santa Fe operations office; AEC General Manager Carroll Wilson; AEC General Counsel Joseph Volpe, Jr.; and H. A. Winne and G. R. Prout, both vice presidents of General Electric, on construction of projects at Hanford works in Richland, Wash., and on housing and other construction at the Los Alamos installation. Hearings continue tomorrow.

D. C. APPROPRIATIONS

Conferees in executive session agreed to file a conference report on H. R. 3082, D. C. appropriations for 1950. Report will be filed in the House tomorrow.

STATE, JUSTICE, COMMERCE APPROPRIATIONS

Conferees on H. R. 4016, State, Justice, Commerce, and Judiciary appropriations for 1950, met in executive session to work out differences between the House- and Senate-passed versions of the bill, but failed to reach final agreement. Conferees adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

Friday, June 24, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

Labor-FSA, District of Columbia, and Agriculture appropriations bills cleared for President.

Senate reached vote agreement on amendments to Taft-Hartley repeal.

House continued work on housing bill and passed third deficiency appropriation.

Senate groups acted on minimum wage, veterans, physically handicapped, and postal bills.

Conferees agreed to file report on Federal property and administrative services bill.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 8284–8287

Bills Introduced: Eight bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 2136 to S. 2143; and S. Con. Res. 50. Page 8286

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 1859, to transfer certain land at Chillicothe, Ohio, from the VA to the Bureau of Prisons (S. Rept. 565);

H. R. 4252, to transfer the trawlers *Alaska* and *Oregon* from the RFC to the Fish and Wildlife Service (S. Rept. 566);

S. 1498, to amend the Natural Gas Act to exempt independent producers and gatherers of natural gas, with amendment (S. Rept. 567); and

S. 520, Indian patent bill (S. Rept. 568). Page 8286

Bills Referred: Three House-passed bills were referred to appropriate committees. Page 8286

Appropriations: Senate adopted conference reports on the following bills, thereby completing legislative action and clearing them for the White House:

Labor-FSA appropriations: H. R. 3333, Labor-Federal Security appropriations for 1950;

D. C. appropriations: H. R. 3082, District of Columbia appropriations for 1950; and

Agriculture appropriations: H. R. 3997, Agriculture appropriations for 1950. Pages 8287–8288, 8305–8306

Taft-Hartley Repeal: Senate further debated S. 249, National Labor Relations Act of 1949, repealing the Labor-Management Relations Act of 1947 (the so-called Taft-Hartley Act). The pending question at recess was the same as carried in yesterday's Digest (p. D421).

It was agreed that on Tuesday, June 28, not later than 1 p. m. Senate will vote on Holland amendment (including any amendment thereto); not later than 2 p. m. Senate will vote on Lucas amendment; and not later than 3 p. m. Senate will vote on Taft substitute for title III of the Thomas substitute to the bill (including any amendment thereto). Time for debate will be divided equally between Senators Thomas and Taft.

Pages 8289, 8304–8305

Maritime Commission: Senate passed H. J. Res. 235, continuing authority of Maritime Commission to sell, charter, and operate vessels, after agreeing to all committee amendments. Pages 8328–8329

Committee Meetings

FOREIGN-AID APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: ECA Administrator Paul Hoffman and assistants continued their testimony before the committee in support of the proposed appropriation in H. R. 4830, foreign-aid appropriations for 1950. Hearings continue June 27.

INDEPENDENT OFFICES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee, in executive session, continued work in marking up for reporting to the full committee H. R. 4177, independent offices appropriations for 1950, but did not conclude its work. Subcommittee continues tomorrow.

MILITARY APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee concluded hearings on H. R. 4146, Military Establishment appropriations for 1950, after receiving testimony from Donald F. Carpenter, Chairman of Munitions Board, and associates, on funds for stock piling; Assistant Secretary of Navy John T. Koehler, and assistants, on renegotiation of contracts; and representatives of the Army, and of advertising agencies on advertising contracts for Army and Air Force recruiting.

RAILROAD COMMUNICATIONS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: William White, president, Lackawanna Railroad, appeared before the subcommittee to testify in opposition to S. 238, to require certain railroads to install communications systems and to establish operating and safety rules for operation of trains. Harry See, national legislative representative, Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen, testified in support of the bill. Subcommittee adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

AIR-LINE INDUSTRY

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Continuing hearings in pursuance of S. Res. 50, to study and investigate financial condition and operating efficiency of the air-line industry, the committee received further testimony on the subject from Orvis Nelson, president, Transocean Air Lines, and Hugh States, legislative representative, Transport Workers Union, Air Transport Division of CIO. Hearings continue June 27.

MINIMUM WAGE, VETERANS, AND PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: In executive session the committee voted to report to the Senate a revised version of S. 653, to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938.

As approved by the committee, the bill will embody the amendments contained in the subcommittee print of June 23, with an additional amendment, as follows: It would provide for a 75-cents-per-hour minimum wage; permit suability (amend the existing law so as also to permit the Government to intercede in behalf of an aggrieved individual); strengthen the existing prohibition of child labor; amend section 7 (c) with respect to overtime so as to add the word "buttermilk" to the list of exemptions; and extend exemption to small Western Union stations doing business up to $500 per month. The amendment added by the full committee to the subcommittee print would eliminate any minimum wage exemption for agricultural processing in the "area of production" now contained in section 13 (a) (10) of the existing law.

The committee also voted to report the following bills without amendment: S. 2115, to authorize payments by the VA on purchase of automobiles or other conveyances by certain disabled veterans (amputees); S. 1859, to transfer certain land at Chillicothe, Ohio, from the VA to the Bureau of Prisons; S. J. Res. 81, authorizing an appropriation for President's Committee on National Employ the Physically Handicapped Week;

S. Con. Res. 17, expressing the sense of Congress that research of family aspects of chronic illnesses should be intensified; and H. R. 3151, to amend the Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to provide for certification of drugs composed of certain ingredients.

Routine nominations in the Public Health Service were favorably reported.

POSTAL AND VETERANS' BILLS

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Subcommittee, in executive session, took the following action: Voted to report unfavorably to the full committee S. 84, to amend provisions of the postal salary law by dividing rural carriers into 11 grades with salaries based partly on rates per mile per year and partly on a fixed compensation.

Voted to report favorably to the full committee without amendment S. 1231, to repeal limitations on pay of certain rural mail carriers; S. 1232, affecting equipment allowances of rural carriers; and S. 2030, to clarify laws relating to compensation of postmasters at fourth-class post offices which have been advanced because of unusual conditions.

It voted to report favorably with amendments S. 1597, transportation of mail by air star routes; S. 660, to preserve equities of permanent classified civil-service employees; and S. 1937, amending Veterans' Preference Act of 1944 for retention in Federal service of employees who have suffered loss of an eye or a limb.

COLUMBIA RIVER VALLEY

Committee on Public Works: Committee continued hearings on Columbia River Valley development bills (S. 1595, 1631, 1632, and 1645) with the following witnesses testifying in opposition to the bill: Gov. Douglas McKay of Oregon; Gov. Arthur B. Langlie of Washington; Gov. C. A. Robins of Idaho; and R. A. Colgan, Jr., National Lumber Manufacturers Association.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Fourteen public bills, H. R. 5320–5333; eight private bills, H. R. 5334–5341; and five resolutions, H. Res. 265–269, were introduced.

Pages 8400–8401

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

Conference report on H. R. 3082, making appropriations for the District of Columbia and other activities chargeable against the revenues of such District (H. Rept. 900);

H. Res. 265, providing for consideration of, and 2 hours of debate on, H. R. 3191, the Federal Employees Compensation Act amendments of 1949 (H. Rept. 901);

H. Res. 266, providing for consideration of, and 1 hour of debate on, H. R. 3699, amending the Federal Farm Loan Act with respect to limitations on Federal land bank loans to individual farmers (H. Rept. 902);

H. Res. 267, providing for consideration of, and 2 hours of debate on, H. R. 2960, to amend Rural Electrification Act to provide for rural telephones (H. Rept. 903);

H. R. 1516, automatic promotions for part-time employees in the custodial service of the Post Office Department (H. Rept. 904);

H. R. 4446, to protect the public with respect to practitioners before administrative agencies, amended (H. Rept. 905);

H. R. 4705, consolidating certain offices of the District of Columbia government (H. Rept. 906);

Two private bills, H. R. 5299 and 5205 (H. Repts. 907 and 908, respectively);

H. R. 388, to permit the mining, development, and utilization of the mineral resources of all public lands withdrawn or reserved for power development (H. Rept. 909);

H. R. 4353, amended, refund of taxes illegally paid by Indians (H. Rept. 910);

H. R. 3275, amended, for sale or disposal of certain submarginal lands on Indian reservations in Montana, North Dakota, and South Dakota (H. Rept. 911); and

H. R. 3199, amended, making unlawful the requirement for payment of a poll tax as a prerequisite to voting in a national primary or election (H. Rept. 912).

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Alaska Land: Disagreed to Senate amendments to H. R. 2859, to authorize the sale of public lands in Alaska; requested a conference with the Senate; and appointed Representatives Peterson, Redden, Bentsen, Welch of California, and Crawford as conferees on the part of the House.

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D. C. Appropriations: Adopted conference report on H. R. 3082, the District of Columbia appropriation bill for 1950. On the five amendments in disagreement, the House receded and concurred on three, and receded and concurred with a further amendment in two instances, and sent it back to the Senate.

Pages 8330–8332

Agricultural Appropriations: Adopted conference report on H. R. 3997, making appropriations for the Department of Agriculture for the fiscal year 1950. The House voted to recede and concur with a further amendment to all three of the amendments that were in disagreement, and sent it to the Senate.

Pages 8332–8338

President's Message: Heard message from President recommending enactment of legislation to place the Post Office Department under the Government Corporation Control Act, to effect improvements in the operations of the postal service, and an adequate revision of the postal rate structure.

The message was referred to the Committee on Post Office and Civil Service and ordered printed as a House document (H. Doc. 239).

Also heard message from the President recommending enactment of legislation to authorize an expanded program of technical assistance and an experimental program for encouraging the outflow of private investment beneficial to the economic development in the less-developed regions of the world.

The message was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs and ordered printed as a House document (H. Doc. 240).

Pages 8340, 8398–8399

Housing: Concluded debate on H. R. 4009, to establish a national housing objective and the policy to be followed in the attainment thereof (Housing Act of 1949).

A point of order was sustained against the first proffered amendment, which was to substitute the provisions of H. R. 5085 for H. R. 4009.

An amendment to substitute the provisions of H. R. 1883 for the provisions of H. R. 4009 was next offered, then a modified version of H. R. 5085 was offered as a substitute for this amendment, which was pending when the House postponed further action until Monday.

Pages 8341–8384

Committee Resignation: Received resignation of Representative Heller from membership on the Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments.

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Committee Elections: Adopted H. Res. 268, electing Representative Roosevelt to membership on the Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments.

Also adopted H. Res. 269, electing Representative Heller to membership on the Committee on Public Lands.

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Third Deficiency Appropriation: Passed, by voice vote, H. R. 5300, the third deficiency bill for 1949, making appropriations of $127,032,243.75, to supply general deficiencies in various branches of Government departments. The amount provided by this bill is $35,658,830 below the budget estimates.

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Committee Meetings

FARM PROGRAM

Committee on Agriculture: Continued executive discussion on the committee print of the bill on the national farm program and will resume on this legislation Monday.

RETIREMENT CREDITS

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee No. 1 considered H. R. 3039, to amend the Army and Air Force Vitalization and Equalization Act of 1948 relative to service credit for retirement purposes for members of Reserves, and H. R. 3912, to amend the same act regarding determination of Federal service for retirement purposes. Witnesses heard on these bills were Representatives Clemente and Sikes; Lt. Comdr. Jack Kenner, Department of the Navy; and Brig. Gen. Edward Arthur Evans, Reserve Officers Association.

LAND—RETIREMENT—PAY

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee No. 2 agreed to report the following bills to the full committee: H. R. 524, release of U. S. title to certain tract of land granted to Los Angeles; H. R. 4388, relating to Navy retiring boards; and H. R. 4050, amended, to authorize advances in pay to armed forces personnel upon permanent change of station. Speaking on H. R. 524 was Phillip J. Kelleher, Office of the Corps of Engineers; on H. R. 4388, Capt. A. McDill, Department of the Navy; and on H. R. 4050, Lt. Comdr. Jack Kenner, Department of the Navy, who also testified along with Representative Boggs of Louisiana on H. R. 2831, to provide for payment to certain retired Naval and Marine Corps Reserve officers of a lump sum equal to their active-duty pay and allowances for the period during which such officers remained in an inactive status without pay. No action was taken by the group on this measure.

KOREAN AID

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Completed consideration of legislation providing assistance to the Government of Korea, and a new bill, H. R. 5330, was introduced on this subject by Chairman Kee.

RAILROAD COMMUNICATION SYSTEM

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee on Transportation completed hearings on H. R. 378, requiring certain common carriers by railroad to install and maintain communication systems. William J. Patterson, Commissioner, Interstate Commerce Commission, was the first witness; followed by F. G. Gurley, president, Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe Railway, Chicago, Ill., and J. B. Hill, president, Louisville & Nashville Railroad Co. Louisville, Ky., both of whom spoke in opposition to the bill.

NATIONAL HEALTH

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: The following sponsors of bills and other witnesses testified before the Subcommittee on Public Health, Science, and Commerce at today's hearings on national bills dealing with medical research:

Representative Miller of Nebraska, author of H. R. 4874, to establish a Medical Care Investigation Commission.

Representative Fogarty, author of H. R. 4840, to provide for a survey of sickness in the United States.

Representative Beall, author of H. Con. Res. 29, to provide research on family aspects of chronic illness. Also heard on this resolution were Dr. Perry F. Prather, deputy State health officer for State of Maryland, and county health officer for Washington County, Hagerstown, Md., and Dr. Ernest F. Poole, secretary, Washington County Medical Society, Hagerstown, Md.

Delegate Bartlett, of Alaska, author of H. J. Res. 7, authorizing appropriation for research on Arctic health; Dr. J. W. Mountin, Assistant Surgeon General, U. S. Public Health Service, FSA; and Dr. Laurence Irving, Swarthmore College, also testified on this bill.

This completes hearings on title II, entitled "Medical Research."

PRIVATE CLAIM

Committee on the Judiciary: The Subcommittee No. 3 considered, but took no action on, H. R. 4564, a private claim bill.

FISH AND GAME

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: The Subcommittee on Fisheries and Wildlife Conservation approved for reporting to the full committee S. 1076 (in lieu of H. R. 3711), to amend the Migratory Bird Hunting Stamp Act of 1934, amended; and H. R. 1746, providing that the United States shall aid the States in fish restoration and management project.

Also considered, but took no action on, H. R. 3906, to increase authorization for expenditures in Alaska, Hawaii, Puerto Rico, and the Virgin Islands, by amending the Federal Aid to Wildlife Restoration Act. Appearing on this measure were Delegate Bartlett, of Alaska, and Donald Chaney, Legal Division, Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior. Subcommittee adjourned subject to the call of the Chair.

DISABLED EMPLOYEES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Williams subcommittee approved for reporting to the full committee S. 1459, relative to benefits of former employees who are disabled.

INDIAN AND LAND BILLS

Committee on Public Lands: Ordered the following bills reported to the House:

H. R. 2724, amended, to provide a decree of competency for U. S. Indians in certain cases;

H. R. 3275, amended, for sale or disposal of certain submarginal lands on Indian reservations in Montana, North Dakota, and South Dakota;

H. R. 4353, amended, refund of taxes illegally paid by Indians; and

H. R. 5184, approving contracts and authorizing their execution with the following irrigation districts: Belle Fourche; Deaver; Westland; Stanfield; Vale, Oreg.; and Prosser.

Also considered, but took no action on, H. R. 1356, to create a Commission on Federal Reimbursement to States and Local Governments by reason of Federal ownership of improved and unimproved real property.

COLUMBIA VALLEY ADMINISTRATION

Committee on Public Works: Witnesses heard at today's meeting on H. R. 4286 and 4287, to establish a Columbia Valley Administration, were: Gov. Arthur B. Langlie, Washington; Gov. C. A. Robins, Idaho; Gov. Vail Pittman, Nevada; Frank Stewart, Seattle, Wash., public utilities districts; Earl Coe, Secretary of State, Washington; J. Howard Toelle, professor of law, Montana University; Gov. Douglas McKay, Oregon; Walter Pearson, Oregon State treasurer; Henry Carstensen, master, Washington State Grange; Vernon Bull, Oregon State senator, representing the Railroad Brotherhoods; Frank J. Van Dyke, speaker, Oregon House of Representatives; and Jack Taylor, land commissioner, State of Washington.

SOCIAL SECURITY

Committee on Ways and Means: In executive meeting continued discussions of proposed amendments to the Social Security Act. Executive session on this subject will be resumed on Monday.

BASING POINTS

Select Committee on Small Business: Announced that open hearings will be held on Tuesday, June 28, on the objections of small business to basing-points legislation, particularly S. 1008.

Joint Committee Meetings

FEDERAL PROPERTY AND ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

Conferees on H. R. 4754, Federal Property and Administrative Services Act, agreed to file a conference report on the differences between the House- and Senate-passed versions of the bill. The report will be filed in the House on June 27.

TREASURY-POST OFFICE APPROPRIATIONS

Conferees on H. R. 3083, Treasury-Post Office appropriations for 1950, met in executive session to work out differences between the House- and Senate-passed versions of the bill, but did not reach final agreement. Conferees adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

ATOMIC ENERGY

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Carleton Shugg, Deputy General Manager of the AEC, and Carroll L. Tyler, manager, Santa Fe operations office, were questioned on matters pertaining to Commission rentals at Hanford and also on general policies regarding housing and town management at Los Alamos. The AEC contract with the Zia Co. for the management of Los Alamos was also discussed. Committee recessed until next Tuesday, June 28.

Monday, June 27, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed judgeship bill, and debated Taft-Hartley repeal.

House continued work on housing bill, rejecting various amendments.

Senate groups acted on bills on cotton quotas, fats and oils, immigration, crop insurance, and private claims. Senate Interior Committee agreed to investigate Bureau of Reclamation.

Senate

Chamber Action

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Bills Introduced: Eight bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2144 to S. 2151; S. J. Res. 112; and S. Res. 128. Page 8407

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. R. 3549, to permit Comptroller General to pay claims chargeable against lapsed appropriations and to provide for the return of unexpended balances of such appropriations to the surplus fund, with amendments (S. Rept. 569);

H. R. 3717, to repeal act establishing Swan Island animal quarantine station (S. Rept. 570);

S. 1165, to make special quota visas available to certain alien sheepherders, with amendments (S. Rept. 590);

The following private bills: S. 1361, H. R. 578, 596, S. 507, 1394, 1924, H. R. 52, 703, 1009, 3017, 3313, 3320, 3321, 3323, 3720, 4373, 4559, 4807, S. 563, and H. R. 599 (S. Repts. 571 to 589, and 591, respectively); and

H. R. 3825, to amend the Federal Crop Insurance Act to provide for multiple crop insurance on certain agricultural commodities, with amendments (S. Rept. 592). Page 8407

President's Message: Message from President recommending legislation to assist underdeveloped areas to raise their standard of living was received—referred to Committe on Foreign Relations. Pages 8402–8404

Bill Referred: One House-passed bill was referred to appropriate committee. Page 8408

Printing: A State Department document on establishment of diplomatic relations with U. S. S. R. was ordered to be printed as S. Doc. 90. Page 8408

Fats and Oils: Banking and Currency Committee was given permission until session tomorrow to report H. R. 5240, temporary extension of the Second Decontrol Act of 1947 with respect to import controls of fats and oils, including butter and rice and rice products. Page 8445

Additional Judges: Senate passed by voice vote H. R. 4963, to provide for additional judgeships, after substituting therefor the text of S. 52 (as amended by committee), including the following amendments adopted from the floor: McCarran amendment respecting D. C. municipal court and D. C. juvenile court judges; McCarran amendment to provide additional judge for southern district of Texas; Bricker amendment to make permanent the judgeships in northern district of Ohio; and Thomas of Oklahoma amendment to make permanent two judgeships in western district of Oklahoma.

An amendment by Senator McGrath respecting qualifications for additional judges for D. C. was rejected by 25 yeas to 41 nays.

Senate requested a conference and appointed as conferees Senators McCarran, Miller, and Ferguson.

Pages 8408–8418, 8421–8423

Wind Tunnel: Senate briefly debated S. 1267, to authorize construction of transsonic and supersonic wind-tunnel facilities, but further consideration was temporarily postponed. Pages 8425–8426

Taft-Hartley Repeal: Senate also debated S. 249, National Labor Relations Act of 1949, repealing the Labor-Management Relations Act of 1947 (the so-called Taft-Hartley Act). The pending question at recess was the same as carried in the Digest of Thursday, June 23 (p. D421). Pages 8423–8425, 8426–8448

Nominations: Seventeen Public Health Service nominations were received. Page 8448

Committee Meetings

COTTON QUOTAS

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Subcommittee met in executive session on S. 1962, to amend the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938 with respect to cotton marketing quota provisions (a bill which the subcommittee ordered reported on Saturday), with the following officials of the Agriculture Department present to receive additional information concerning the relationships of cotton industry to other industries and to foreign production: Frank K. Woolley, Deputy Administrator, PMA; E. D. Bell, John H. Dean, and Francis H. Whitaker, Cotton Branch, PMA; and Arthur W. Palmer, Office of Foreign Agricultural Relations.

QUARANTINE STATION, CROP INSURANCE, AND COTTON QUOTAS

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: In executive session, Saturday, June 25, committee ordered favorably reported the following bills:

Without amendment, H. R. 3717, to repeal act establishing Swan Island animal quarantine station;

With amendments, H. R. 3825, to amend the Federal Crop Insurance Act; and

With amendment, S. 1962, to amend Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938 so as to provide for national acreage allotment of cotton crop.

INDEPENDENT OFFICES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee, in executive session, concluded marking up for reporting to the full committee H. R. 4177, independent offices appropriations for 1950. No report was made on the actions of the subcommittee.

FOREIGN-AID APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Continuing hearings on H. R. 4830, foreign-aid appropriations for 1950, committee received further testimony from ECA Administrator Paul Hoffman and assistants in support of the proposed appropriations. Hearings continue tomorrow.

FATS AND OILS

Committee on Banking and Currency: Committee voted to report without amendment H. R. 5240, temporary extension of the Second Decontrol Act of 1947 with respect to import controls of fats and oils, including butter and rice and rice products. Subcommittee, earlier in the day, had voted to report the bill to the full committee.

On Saturday, June 25, subcommittee heard testimony in support of the proposed legislation from Ralph S. Trigg, Administrator, Production and Marketing Administration, Department of Agriculture.

BUREAU OF RECLAMATION—COLORADO RIVER

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: In executive session, the committee agreed to conduct an investigation of the Bureau of Reclamation, beginning July 11.

The committee also agreed to appoint two subcommittees, one to study S. 169, Virgin River subbasin reclamation project in Arizona, Nevada, and Utah, and the other to study S. 1385, providing that certain provisions of Federal reclamation laws shall not apply to certain lands that will receive a supplemental water supply from San Luis Valley project, Colorado. The membership of each subcommittee will be appointed at a later date.

The committee also considered S. 75, to authorize construction, operation, and maintenance of dams on the Colorado River at Bridge Canyon, together with certain appurtenant dams and canals (central Arizona project), but did not take final action. Committee meets again on Wednesday in executive session to consider this subject.

NEW YORK INDIANS

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: On Saturday, June 25, subcommittee heard numerous New York Indians testify, some in favor of and some against, S. 192, to confer jurisdiction on the courts of New York with respect to civil actions between Indians or to which Indians are parties, and S. 1947, regulating proceeds from leases made by Seneca Indians of New York.

AIR-LINE INDUSTRY

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: John F. Brown, Airport Interest, Landrum & Brown, appeared before the committee in connection with its hearings in pursuance of S. Res. 50, to study and investigate financial condition and operating efficiency of the air-line industry, to discuss Airlines National Terminal Service Co., Inc., Willow Run, Mich., a joint facilities project. Hearings continue tomorrow.

JUDGESHIPS, IMMIGRATION, AND PRIVATE CLAIMS

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee, in executive session, agreed to appoint a subcommittee of five to hold hearings, beginning July 5, on the nomination of Carroll Switzer to be district judge in Iowa. It also agreed to report favorably the nominations of Benjamin J. McKinney to be U. S. marshal for district of Arizona, and Clifton C. Carter to be U. S. marshal for southern district of Texas.

Committee agreed to report with amendment S. 1165, to make special quota visas available to certain alien sheepherders.

Nineteen private claims bills were ordered reported, as follows: without amendment, S. 507, 1394, 1924, H. R. 596, 52, 703, 1009, 3017, 3313, 3320, 3321, 3323, 3720, 4373, 4559, and 4807; and, with amendment, S. 563, H. R. 578, and 599.

The following five private bills were postponed indefinitely: S. 482, 641, 1800, H. R. 656, and 3234.

NATIONAL HEALTH

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Continuing hearings on the pending national health bills (S. 1106, 1456, 1581, and 1679), subcommittee heard Senator Thomas, of Utah, discuss the educational provisions of the bills. The following witnesses testified on title VI of S. 1679, which is devoted to child and maternal health: Katharine F. Lenroot, Chief, and Leona Baumgartner, Associate Chief, both of Children's Bureau, FSA; and Mrs. Jack Fahy, on behalf of American Parents Committee. Testimony devoted to the bills generally was received from the following: Robert A. Hornby, vice president, Pacific Lighting Corp., San Francisco, on behalf of U. S. Chamber of Commerce; Dr. Joseph S. Wall, American Academy of Pediatrics, Evanston, Ill.; and Mrs. Theodore Oxholm, spokesman for Children, Inc., New York. Hearings continue tomorrow.

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Bills Introduced: Ten public bills, H. R. 5342–5351; ten private bills, H. R. 5352–5361; and one resolution, H. Con. Res. 97, were introduced. Pages 8483–8484

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

Three private bills, H. R. 588, 3598, and 2475 (H. Repts. 913–915, respectively);

H. R. 2724, to provide a degree of competency for U. S. Indians in certain cases, amended (H. Rept. 916);

H. R. 3589, to convey to the city of Miles City, Mont., certain lands in Custer County, Mont., for use as an industrial site, amended (H. Rept. 917);

H. R. 4403, relative to cooperation with Federal, State, and local agencies, of the recreational uses of lands and waters (H. Rept. 918);

H. R. 5187, to protect consumers and others against misbranding, false advertising, and false invoicing of fur products and furs (H. Rept. 919); and

H. R. 5268, to amend the Internal Revenue Code to remove certain inequalities or hardships in the present Federal tax laws (H. Rept. 920). Page 8483

Census: Agreed to Senate amendments to H. R. 3198, to provide for use of Federal employees for field work by the Bureau of the Census, thereby clearing the bill for Presidential action. Page 8450

D. C. Offices Transfer: Passed, by voice vote, H. R. 4705, to transfer the office of the probation officer of the U. S. District Court for the District of Columbia, the office of the Register of Wills for the District of Columbia, and the Commission on Mental Health from the government of the District of Columbia to the Administrative Office of the United States Courts, for budgetary and administrative purposes. Pages 8450–8451

Housing: Resumed consideration of H. R. 4009, to establish a national housing objective and the policy to be followed in the attainment thereof (Housing Act of 1949) with a pending amendment, offered by Representative Bolton, to substitute the language of H. R. 1883 for the provisions of H. R. 4009. Also pending was an amendment, offered by Representative Davis, to substitute a modified version of H. R. 5085 for the Bolton amendment.

Rejected, by 137 nays to 99 yeas, the Davis amendment.

Rejected, by 110 nays to 78 yeas, an amendment, offered by Representative Coudert, to substitute the language of H. R. 1708 for the Bolton amendment.

Rejected, by voice vote, an amendment, offered by Representative Javits, to the Bolton amendment that would have increased the annual amount for annual contributions from $320,000,000 to $336,000,000 and would have provided for 40-year loans instead of 45-year loans.

Rejected the Bolton amendment by 150 nays to 50 yeas.

Also rejected an amendment, offered by Representative Lemke, 116 nays to 61 yeas, to substitute the language of H. R. 853 for the provisions of H. R. 4009.

Pages 8451–8482

Committee Meetings

FARM PROGRAM

Committee on Agriculture: Continued executive consideration of H. R. 5345, national farm program bill, and will resume on this measure tomorrow morning.

LAND TRANSFER

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee No. 3 approved for reporting to the full committee H. R. 5328,

to authorize conveyance of certain lands by the Secretary of the Army to San Francisco. This bill supersedes H. R. 2515, which has been under consideration by the subcommittee.

FUR LABELING

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Ordered H. R. 5187 reported favorably to the House. This bill provides for the protection of customers and others against misbranding, false advertising, and false invoicing of fur products and furs.

IMMIGRATION—ALIEN DEPORTATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 1 agreed to report favorably to the full committee six private immigration bills and S. Con. Res. 23, 24, 25, and 27, favoring the suspension of deportation of certain aliens.

INDIAN BILLS

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Indian Affairs approved for reporting to the full committee H. R. 5310, amended, to confer jurisdiction on the State of California over the lands and residents of the Agua Caliente Indian Reservation in said State.

Subcommittee also held hearings on H. R. 4756, setting aside certain lands in Oklahoma for the Cheyenne-Arapaho Indian Tribes. Edward J. Overly, Assistant Secretary of Agriculture, spoke on the present use of the land involved. Appearing in favor of the measure were William Zimmerman, Department of the Interior, and H. E. Hayden, regional counsel, Indian Service, Anadarko, Okla. Hearings will continue tomorrow on the bill.

RIVERS AND HARBORS—FLOOD CONTROL

Committee on Public Works: Met in executive session for consideration of proposed omnibus river and harbor and flood-control bill.

SOCIAL SECURITY

Committee on Ways and Means: Resumed executive discussion of proposed amendments to the Social Security Act and will continue on this subject tomorrow morning.

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HIGHLIGHTS

Senate adopted, by 50 yeas to 40 nays, Taft substitute amendment on injunction and Government seizure of plants in national emergency strikes.

House continued work on housing bill amendments.

Senate committee approved bill on International Children's Emergency Fund.

Farm price-support bill ordered reported by House committee.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 8514–8518

Bills Introduced: Eight bills were introduced, as follows: S. 2152 to S. 2159. Page 8515

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. R. 5240, temporary extension of the Second Decontrol Act of 1947 with respect to import controls of fats and oils, including butter and rice and rice products (S. Rept. 593) (reported June 27 pursuant to order entered that day);

S. 1250, to continue Institute of Inter-American Affairs, with amendments (S. Rept. 594);

H. R. 2785, to provide for further contributions to the International Children's Emergency Fund, with amendment (S. Rept. 595);

S. 2115, to authorize payments by the VA on purchase of automobiles or other conveyances by certain disabled veterans (amputees) (S. Rept. 596); and

H. J. Res. 240, providing for erection of a statue of Simon Bolivar in the D. C. (no written report).

Pages 8435, 8513, 8515, 8527

Bill Referred: One House-passed bill was referred to appropriate committee. Page 8515

Taft-Hartley Repeal: Senate continued work on S. 249, National Labor Relations Act of 1949, repealing the Labor-Management Relations Act of 1947 (the so-called Taft-Hartley Act), taking the following action on amendments:

Rejected, by 37 yeas to 54 nays, Holland amendment to title III of the Thomas substitute, removing provisions for Government seizure and authorizing injunctions in emergency strikes; rejected, by 44 yeas to 46 nays, Lucas amendment to Taft substitute to title III (national emergency strikes) of Thomas substitute, striking out all provisions for antistrike injunctions in national emergencies; rejected, by 40 yeas to 51 nays, Ives amendment to above-referred-to Taft substitute,

directing the President to refer to Congress for legislative action questions of work stoppage involving national emergency, but providing for no injunctions or Government seizure; and

Adopted, by 50 yeas to 40 nays, Taft substitute to title III of the Thomas substitute, authorizing antistrike injunctions in national emergencies or permitting 60-day Government seizure of plants.

Pending at recess was another Taft substitute for the remainder of the Thomas substitute.

Pages 8486–8513, 8518, 8530–8531

Bolivar Statue: H. J. Res. 240, providing for erection of a statue of Simon Bolivar in the District of Columbia, was adopted. Page 8513

Alaska Public Lands: Senate agreed to a conference on H. R. 2859, to authorize the sale of public lands in Alaska. Senators O'Mahoney, McFarland, Kerr, Millikin, and Cordon were appointed as conferees.

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Confirmations: Ninety-nine nominations in the Public Health Service and two nominations of U. S. marshals were confirmed. Page 8533

Nominations: Thirty-three Air Force and one hundred and fifty-four Navy nominations were received.

Pages 8532–8533

Committee Meetings

FOREIGN-AID APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Continuing hearings on H. R. 4830, foreign-aid appropriations for 1950, the committee heard Assistant Secretary of Army Tracy Voorhees, and staff, testify in support of funds for Government relief in occupied areas. Hearings continue tomorrow.

INTERIOR APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee met in executive session to begin marking up for reporting to the full committee H. R. 3838, Interior appropriations for 1950. Subcommittee continues its work tomorrow.

ARMED SERVICES PAY BILL

Committee on Armed Services: In executive session the committee began a section-by-section analysis of H. R. 5007, to provide increased pay, allowances, and physical-disability retirement for members of the uniformed services, but made no announcement of any decisions reached. Committee meets again tomorrow.

INTERNATIONAL CHILDREN'S FUND, AND KOREAN AID

Committee on Foreign Relations: In executive session the committee voted to report with amendment H. R. 2785, to provide for further contributions to the International Children's Emergency Fund. Under Secretary of State James E. Webb and ECA Administrator Paul Hoffman testified in executive session on proposed aid to Korea.

The nomination of Perle Mesta to be Minister to Luxemburg was voted reported favorably.

AIR-LINE INDUSTRY

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Juan T. Trippe, president, Pan American Airways, appeared before the committee in connection with its hearings in pursuance of S. Res. 50, to study and investigate financial condition and operating efficiency of the air-line industry, to discuss international aviation. Hearings continue tomorrow.

INLAND WATERWAYS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee heard the following witnesses testify in opposition to S. 211, to amend the act to create the Inland Waterways Corporation, to increase the capital stock and authorize appropriation of an additional $18,000,000 for paying for such subscription: Howard G. King, Arrow Transportation Co., Sheffield, Ala.; F. G. Robinson, traffic manager, Galveston Chamber of Commerce; E. B. Hays, attorney, A. L. Medling Barge Lines, Inc., Chicago; S. H. Williams, manager, Transportation Bureau Philadelphia, representing Philadelphia Port Bureau; J. L. Stanton, director, export and import bureau, Baltimore Association of Commerce; Lloyd L. Harvey, manager, trade promotion office, Port of New York Authority; and Frederick E. Brown, American Barge Line Co. Hearings continue tomorrow.

PRIVATE BILL

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee held hearings on H. R. 683, a private bill.

NATIONAL HEALTH

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee, continuing hearings on pending national health bills (S. 1106, 1456, 1581, and 1679), received testimony from the following witnesses: R. D. Murphy, Equitable Life Assurance Society of the U. S., on behalf of Life Insurance Association of America and American Life Convention; Dr. William J. Stickel, National Association of Chiropodists Association; Alson J. Smith, Methodist Federation for Social Action, New York; and Dr. Albert Bailey, American Osteopathic Association, Washington. Hearings continue tomorrow.

SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee met in executive session to consider all bills pending before it on school construction, with a view to agreeing on what kind of a bill should be reported to the Senate, but came to no final agreement. Subcommittee meets again at call of the Chair.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Eleven public bills, H. R. 5362–5372; nine private bills, H. R. 5373–5381; and four resolutions, H. J. Res. 282 and 283, and H. Res. 270 and 271, were introduced. Pages 8571, 8572

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

Eleven private bills, S. 40, H. R. 660, 734, 1105, 1864, 2091, 2239, S. Con. Res. 23, 24, 25, and 27 (H. Repts. 921–931, respectively);

H. R. 2869, to authorize an appropriation in aid of a system of drainage and sanitation for city of Polson, Mont. (H. Rept. 932);

H. R. 3285, authorizing replacement and reconstruction by Bureau of Reclamation of certain bridges across Franklin Canal of Rio Grande project in El Paso, Tex. (H. Rept. 933);

H. R. 5034, to authorize taxation of Indian lands in town of Lodge Grass, Mont., to assist in financing a municipal water supply and sewerage system (H. Rept. 934); and

Conference report on H. R. 4754, to simplify the procurement, utilization, and disposal of Government property, to reorganize certain Government agencies (H. Rept. 935). Page 8572

Maritime Commission: Agreed to Senate amendments to H. J. Res. 235, to continue authority of Maritime Commission to sell, charter, and operate vessels, thereby clearing the measure for the President. Page 8535

Judiciary: Disagreed to Senate amendments to H. R. 4963, to provide for the appointment of additional Federal circuit and district judges, agreed to a conference requested by the Senate, and appointed Representatives Celler, Byrne of New York, Lane, Jennings, and Keating as conferees on the part of the House. Page 8535

Housing: Resumed consideration of H. R. 4009, to establish a national housing objective and the policy to be followed in the attainment thereof (Housing Act of 1949). While in Committee of the Whole numerous amendments were rejected and amendments were adopted designed to—

Give preference in occupancy of new housing to persons displaced by slum-clearance projects.

Require public hearings before acquisition of any land for slum-clearance projects.

Protect labor standards by requiring the payment of prevailing wages in the locality to laborers and mechanics employed in the development of projects.

Stimulate private enterprise by extending for 60 days the provisions of title I and section 608 of title VI of the National Housing Act, also to increase the authorization of title II. Pages 8536–8560

Federal Property and Administrative Services: Adopted conference report on H. R. 4754, to simplify the procurement, utilization, and disposal of Government property, to reorganize certain Government agencies. Pages 8561–8571

House Sessions: Adopted H. Res. 271, providing that when the House adjourns on Friday, July 1, it adjourn to meet on Tuesday, July 5, in the caucus room of the New House Office Building. Page 8571

Committee Meetings

FARM PROGRAM

Committee on Agriculture: Voted to report favorably to the House the Pace farm-price-support bill, H. R. 5345, incorporating Secretary Brannan's "income support standard" parity formula and authorizing the Secretary to try the direct-payment method of price support on three commodities under certain conditions after January 1, 1950.

The committee also reported to the House H. R. 29, amending the Agricultural Adjustment Act to provide parity for tung nuts.

NATIONAL SECURITY—DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Committee on Armed Services: Secretary of Defense Louis Johnson testified at the opening of the hearings on S. 1843, to convert the National Military Establishment into an executive department to be known as the Department of Defense, and to establish the responsibility and authority of the Secretary of Defense. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

HOME RULE

Committee on the District of Columbia: The Judiciary Subcommittee began hearings on legislation providing for home rule in the District of Columbia, with Representative Auchincloss, author of H. R. 28, a home-rule measure, speaking on the objectives of his bill. He was followed by Senator Kefauver, author of S. 1527, which recently passed the Senate, and is similar to H. R. 4981, which was introduced by Representative Klein. Senator Kefauver will finish his statement at tomorrow's hearing.

AID TO EDUCATION

Committee on Education and Labor: Met in executive session on bills providing educational opportunities for children on Federal reservations or in defense areas and will continue on this subject tomorrow morning.

KOREAN AID

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Met in executive session on H. R. 5330, aid to Korea, and will continue on this subject tomorrow morning.

TRANSPORTATION BILLS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee on Transportation approved the following bills for reporting to the entire committee: S. 255, to amend the Interstate Commerce Act relating to joint boards on motor-carrier operations; S. 256, amending the Interstate Commerce Act relative to payments of freight charges, mergers of carriers, reports from carrier associations, sleeping-car companies, and other miscellaneous changes; S. 1278, to amend the Federal Airport Act to fix the United States share of project costs in installation of high-intensity lighting on CAA-designated instrument-landing runways; S. 1279, to amend the Federal Airport Act so as to provide that minimum rates of wages need be specified only in contracts in excess of $2,000; S. 1280, to amend the Federal Airport Act so as to limit to 10 percent any increase of the amount stated as a maximum obligation under a grant agreement; S. 1283, to authorize the use of State-allotted funds for Federal airport projects in national parks, monuments, etc.; S. 1285, to authorize progressive partial payments to contractors under the Federal airport program; and H. R. 3940, to amend the Civil Aeronautics Act of 1938 to provide penalties for violation of any regulation relating to transportation, packing, marking, or description of explosives or other dangerous articles.

Subcommittee will meet again tomorrow to consider various bills.

BANKRUPTCY—ALIEN DEPORTATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Heard Representatives Lemke, Douglas, and Phillips of California, on H. R. 1194 and 3112, to amend section 75 of the Bankruptcy Act.

Committee ordered reported favorably to the House six private immigration bills and seven private claims bills. Also, ordered reported S. Con. Res. 23, 24, 25, and 27, favoring the suspension of deportation of certain aliens. Four private claims bills were tabled.

SHIPPING

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: The Subcommittee on Maritime Affairs heard an explanation of H. R. 4847, authorizing the Maritime Commission to provide for passenger vessels to operate to and from Puerto Rico, by its author, Resident Commissioner of Puerto Rico Fernós-Isern.

Also considered H. R. 5346, the long-range shipping bill, and heard testimony of Grenville Mellen, vice chairman, U. S. Maritime Commission, assisted by Frank Goertner, its general counsel. Will continue on this measure at tomorrow morning's meeting.

FEDERAL PAY RAISES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Heard the following Members of Congress who have introduced bills in this session regarding pay raises for Federal and postal employees: Representatives Lane, Rhodes, Gorski of New York, Klein, and Crook. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

MONTANA IRRIGATION PROJECT

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation approved for reporting to the full committee H. R. 5113, authorizing the Secretary of the Interior to complete construction of irrigation facilities and contract with the water users on the Buffalo Rapids project in Montana. Speaking on behalf of this bill were J. G. Will, counsel, and Floyd E. Dominy, Acting Director of Operations and Maintenance, both of the Bureau of Reclamation; and Frank J. Hopkins, Assistant Chief, Division of Operations, Soil Conservation Service, Department of Agriculture. Adjourned subject to the call of the Chair.

CHEYENNE-ARAPAHO INDIANS

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Indian Affairs continued hearings on H. R. 4756, to set aside certain lands in Oklahoma for the Cheyenne-Arapaho Tribes of Indians. Witnesses heard on this bill were Phillip W. Kelleher, Real Estate Division, Office of Chief of Engineers, Department of the Army; H. W. Marston, research coordinator, Office of the Agricultural Research Administration, Department of Agriculture; and William Howard Payne, attorney for the Cheyenne-Arapaho Tribes of Indians. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

SOCIAL SECURITY

Committee on Ways and Means: Continued executive consideration of proposed amendments to the Social Security Act. Will meet again tomorrow on this subject.

BASING POINT

Select Committee on Small Business: Opened discussions on the objections of small business to basing-point legislation, particularly S. 1008, and heard Harold O. Smith, Jr., executive vice president, R. H. Rowe, vice president and secretary, and W. A. Quinlan, general counsel, all of the U. S. Wholesale Grocers Association. Hearings on this subject will be continued tomorrow morning.

Joint Committee Meetings

ATOMIC ENERGY

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Continuing hearings on investigation of the administration and policies of the AEC, the committee heard AEC General Man-

ager Carroll L. Wilson and R. W. Cook, acting manager of the Oak Ridge operations office, discuss the AEC contract with the Roane-Anderson Co. for the operation of the town of Oak Ridge, Tenn. Carleton Shugg, Deputy General Manager of the AEC, devoted brief testimony to the management of the Hanford works, and Brig. Gen. James McCormack, Jr., Director of Division of Military Application of the AEC, was heard on management of the Los Alamos plant. Hearings continue tomorrow.

Wednesday, June 29, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate agreed on time for vote on Taft substitute to repeal Taft-Hartley Act, passed tin bill, and cleared Federal property and administrative services bill for White House.

House passed housing bill and adopted conference report on Treasury-Post Office appropriations.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 8578–8582

Bills Introduced: Twelve bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2160 to S. 2171; S. Res. 129 and 130. Pages 8579, 8584

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 1962, to amend the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938 with respect to cotton marketing quota provisions, with amendment (S. Rept. 597);

S. Res. 58, to establish, a standing Senate Committee on Small Business (S. Rept. 598); and

S. Res. 129, to extend period for payment of members of staff of former Senator Wagner (no written report). Pages 8579, 8580

Resignation of Senator: The resignation of Senator Wagner, of New York, effective June 28, was received. Pages 8573–8576

D. C. Employees: Senate adopted committee amendments and then passed H. R. 3088, to grant salary increase to members of the Police and Fire Departments and teachers in the District of Columbia. Page 8582

Federal Property and Administrative Services: Conference report on H. R. 4754, Federal Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949, was adopted, clearing the bill for the President. Pages 8582–8584

Temporary Senate Chamber: Senate adopted S. Res. 130, providing that when Senate returns on July 5 from recess it will meet until subsequent order in the old Supreme Court room and that all rules relating to the Senate Chamber shall be applicable to the old Supreme Court room. Page 8584

Lapsed Appropriations: Passed, with committee amendments, H. R. 3549, to permit Comptroller General to pay claims chargeable against lapsed appropriations and to provide for the return of unexpended balances of such appropriations to the surplus fund. Page 8584

FSA Appropriations: Communication from President transmitting a proposed provision pertinent to appropriation for Federal Security Administration for fiscal year 1950 was referred to Committee on Appropriations and ordered to be printed as S. Doc. 92. Page 8578

Tin: Senate passed H. R. 5044, temporary extension of Second Decontrol Act of 1947, with respect to tin and tin products, clearing the bill for the President. Pages 8607–8609

Taft-Hartley Repeal: Senate further debated S. 249, National Labor Relations Act of 1949, repealing the Labor-Management Relations Act of 1947 (the so-called Taft-Hartley Act).

It was agreed that on Thursday, June 30, not later than 2 p. m., Senate will vote on Taft substitute (including any germane amendment thereto) to titles I, II, and IV of Thomas substitute, the time to be equally divided between Senators Taft and Thomas. It was also agreed that there may be 20 minutes debate on any amendment to the Taft substitute, to be equally divided between proponents and opponents of such amendment.

The pending question at recess was Baldwin amendment to the Taft substitute, to eliminate from that substitute, language respecting membership in a union as a condition of employment (sec. 14 (b) of the substitute). Pages 8576–8578, 8584–8595, 8611–8614

Confirmations: Thirty-four Air Force nominations were confirmed. Pages 8614–8615

Nominations: One hundred and eighteen nominations for promotion in the Regular Army were received. Pages 8614–8615

Committee Meetings

FOREIGN-AID APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Continuing hearings on H. R. 4830 foreign-aid appropriations for 1950, the committee heard Assistant Secretary of Army Tracy Voorhees, and Lt. Gen. R. L. Eichelberger, and assistants, continue their testimony in support of funds for government and relief in occupied areas. Tyler Wood, ECA, and James Payne, United Steelworkers, CIO, testified on funds for the ECA. Hearings continue tomorrow.

INTERIOR APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: In executive session the subcommittee continued its work on marking up for reporting to the full committee H. R. 3838, Interior appropriations for 1950. Subcommittee continues tomorrow.

ARMED SERVICES PAY BILL

Committee on Armed Services: In executive session the committee continued its section-by-section analysis of H. R. 5007, to provide increased pay, allowances, and physical-disability retirement for members of the uniformed services. Committee will continue its work on this bill tomorrow.

PETROLEUM PRICES

Committee on Banking and Currency: Subcommittee on Small Business held preliminary hearing on petroleum prices with the following witnesses testifying in protest to the recent price increases in petroleum: W. L. Heinz, South Carolina Oil Jobbers Association, Columbia, S. C.; Lawrence Reuben, Michigan Good Roads Federation, Lansing; Jeremiah Courtney, general counsel, American Taxi Cab Association, Inc., Washington, D. C.; and Hoyt S. Haddock, executive secretary, CIO Maritime Committee, Washington, D. C.

A. L. Nickerson, director in charge of domestic marketing, Socony-Vacuum, New York, appeared in justification of the price increases. Hearings continue tomorrow.

COLORADO RIVER

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: In executive session the committee considered further S. 75, to authorize construction, operation, and maintenance of dams on the Colorado River at Bridge Canyon, together with certain appurtenant dams and canals (central Arizona project), but did not take final action on the bill. Committee meets again Friday when it expects to reach a vote on reporting the measure to the Senate.

CALIFORNIA INDIANS

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Subcommittee held hearings on S. 2152, to confer jurisdiction on California over lands and residents of the Agua Caliente Indian Reservation, with the following witnesses testifying in support of the bill: Senator Downey; Representative Phillips of California; William Zimmerman, Acting Commissioner, Bureau of Indian Affairs; Oliver O. Clark, representing Palm Springs Indians; Roy Colgate, city attorney, and Floren Boyd, member, city council, both of Palm Springs; and F. G. Collette, representing the California Indians, Inc. Ruth C. Foutz, a permit holder of Palm Springs Reservation, appeared in opposition to certain provisions of the bill.

AIR-LINE INDUSTRY

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Committee concluded hearings in pursuance of S. Res. 50, to study and investigate financial condition and operating efficiency of the air-line industry, after receiving testimony from CAA Administrator Delos W. Rentzel; and E. Irving Whyatt, vice president of finance, and K. R. Ferguson, vice president of operation and engineering, both of Northwest Airlines.

INLAND WATERWAYS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee concluded hearings on S. 211, to amend the Act To Create the Inland Waterways Corporation, to increase the capital stock and authorize appropriation of an additional $18,000,000 for paying for such subscription, after receiving testimony in favor of the bill from Senator Hill; A. J. Wagner, Chief of Navigation and Transportation Branch, TVA; Secretary of Commerce Sawyer; F. L. Partridge, Burlington Shippers Association, Upper Mississippi Grain Shippers' Association, Burlington, Iowa; and Capt. A. C. Ingersoll, Jr., president, Inland Waterways Corporation.

Testifying in opposition to the bill were J. A. Bryan, National Industrial Traffic League of Chicago; Dr. J. H. Parmelee, vice president and director, railway economics, Association of American Railroads; and Carter Fort, vice president and general counsel, Association of American Railroads.

Fred Smith, Corporation Audit Division, GAO, appeared to give the subcommittee factual information.

BANKRUPTCY

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee, in executive session, agreed to report favorably to the full committee S. 938, to amend Bankruptcy Act relative to farmer-debtor relief.

CIVIL RIGHTS

Committee on the Judiciary: Continuing hearings on S. 1725, to protect the civil rights of persons within the jurisdiction of the U. S., the subcommittee heard the following witnesses testify in opposition to the bill: Senators Robertson and Stennis, and John Kuykendall, Jr., assistant attorney general for the State of Mississippi. Subcommittee meets again July 14.

NATIONAL HEALTH

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee concluded hearings on pending national health bills (S. 1106, 1456, 1581, and 1679), after receiving testimony in support of S. 1970, to facilitate the broader distribution of health services, to increase the quantity and improve the quality of health services and facilities, from the following: Senators Flanders and Ives; Representatives Case of New Jersey, Herter, and Javits; and Winslow Carlton, New York.

The following witnesses appeared to express their views on the pending legislation: Dr. Lloyd C. Halverson, National Grange; Lula Evanson and Angus McDonald, representing Farmers Union; and E. H. O'Connor, Insurance Economics Society of America, Chicago.

CIVIL-SERVICE RETIREMENT BILLS

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Subcommittee met in executive session to consider the various civil-service retirement bills pending before it. A further meeting of the subcommittee is expected before the next meeting of the full committee, to vote on reporting one of these bills to the full committee.

GENERAL APPROPRIATION BILL

Committee on Rules and Administration: Subcommittee held an executive session to discuss issues involving S. Con. Res. 18, to provide for consolidation of all general appropriation bills into one "general consolidated" appropriation measure, but took no action, contrary to its previous decision to report the resolution to the full committee.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Seventeen public bills, H. R. 5382–5398; four private bills, H. R. 5399–5402; and four resolutions, H. J. Res. 284 and 285, and H. Res. 272 and 273, were introduced. Page 8691

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

Disposal of executive papers (H. Repts. 936 and 937);

H. R. 3282, to repeal certain acts of Congress, known as Indian liquor laws, in certain parts of Minnesota (H. Rept. 938);

H. R. 4548, to provide for a national cemetery at Fort Logan, Colo. (H. Rept. 939);

H. J. Res. 284, making temporary appropriation for fiscal year 1950 (H. Rept. 940);

Five private bills, S. 230, 980, and H. R. 1979, 3768, and 3816 (H. Repts. 941–945, respectively);

S. 1076, to provide for more adequate development of the migratory waterfowl resources of the country (H. Rept. 946);

H. R. 1746, to provide U. S. aid to States in fish restoration and management projects (H. Rept. 947);

Conference report on H. R. 3083, making appropriations for the Treasury and Post Office Departments and funds available for the Export-Import Bank and the Reconstruction Finance Corporation (H. Rept. 948);

H. R. 242, to provide for conferring degree of bachelor of science upon graduates of the U. S. Merchant Marine Academy (H. Rept. 949);

H. R. 2572, extending to commissioned officers of the Coast and Geodetic Survey the provisions of the Armed Forces Leave Act of 1946 (H. Rept. 950); and

H. R. 4829, authorizing the President to appoint Paul A. Smith as U. S. representative to the Council of the International Civil Aviation Organization without affecting his status as a commissioned officer of the Coast and Geodetic Survey (H. Rept. 951). Pages 8690–8691

Contract Settlement: Agreed to Senate amendments to H. R. 834, to amend the Contract Settlement Act of 1944, to provide fair compensation to persons contracting to deliver strategic minerals or metals in case of failure to recover reasonable costs, thus clearing the bill for Presidential action. Page 8615

Housing: By 228 yeas to 185 nays, the House passed H. R. 4009, the housing bill of 1949, after defeating a move to recommit the bill, by 170 yeas to 241 nays.

A separate vote was demanded on the Rees amendment that was adopted in the Committee of the Whole, deleting title II, providing for low-rent public housing, from the bill. By a vote of 204 yeas to 209 nays, the House rejected the amendment and restored title II, as originally introduced, to the bill.

A separate vote was also demanded on the Jensen amendment, adopted in Committee of the Whole, barring payment of salary to any employees who fail to sign an affidavit stating that they are not members of a subversive party and do not belong to an organization that

may strike against the Government of the United States. By a vote of 283 yeas to 129 nays the amendment was adopted.

While in the Committee of the Whole, all committee amendments were adopted except one that would have transferred from the Department of Agriculture to the Housing Authority the operation of labor camps.

An amendment to allow consolidation by the Housing Administrator of data-gathering activities, to prevent overlapping or duplication, with regard to housing research statistics, was adopted.

An amendment was adopted restricting to occupants of farms the provisions for loans for improvements to farm housing and buildings.

Adopted an amendment to allow the National Capital Housing Authority to acquire sites within the District of Columbia for low-rent public housing projects.

Also rejected several proffered amendments.

By unanimous consent, the Senate-passed housing bill, S. 1070, was taken from the Speaker's table, amended by inserting the language of H. R. 4009, as amended and passed by the House, for the provisions of S. 1070; following which the Senate bill as amended was passed by the House and the proceedings of the passage of H. R. 4009 were vacated and the House bill tabled.

Pages 8615–8687

Treasury-Post Office Appropriations: Adopted conference report on H. R. 3083, making appropriations for the Treasury and Post Office Departments and funds available for the Export-Import Bank and the Reconstruction Finance Corporation. Pages 8687–8639

Temporary Appropriation: Adopted H. J. Res. 284, making temporary appropriation for fiscal year 1950.

Pages 8888–8889

D. C. Pay Increase: Agreed to Senate amendments on H. R. 3088, to increase the compensation by $330 annually of certain employees of the District of Columbia, thus clearing the measure for Presidential action.

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Committee Meetings

COTTON

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee on Cotton heard J. H. Dean, Assistant Director, Cotton Branch, Department of Agriculture, who explained the sections of S. 1971, relating to cotton-marketing quotas. Other officials of the Department of Agriculture who answered questions of the subcommittee regarding this subject were Frank Woolley, Deputy Administrator, Production and Marketing Administration; E. D. Bell, Cotton Branch; and John C. Bagwell, of the Solicitor's Office. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

DEFENSE ESTABLISHMENT REORGANIZATION

Committee on Armed Services: Former President Hoover testified at today's hearings on S. 1843, to convert the National Military Establishment into an executive department to be known as the Department of Defense, and to establish the responsibility and authority of the Secretary of Defense. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

HOME RULE

Committee on the District of Columbia: Senator Kefauver finished his testimony in support of legislation providing for home rule in the District of Columbia. The Judiciary Subcommittee will continue on this topic July 7.

TAFT-HARTLEY REPEAL

Committee on Education and Labor: The Kelley subcommittee considered Taft-Hartley repeal legislation in executive session. No action was taken, and subcommittee adjourned subject to the call of the Chair.

KOREAN AID

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Continued executive consideration of H. R. 5330, aid to Korea. Will meet again at 9:30 tomorrow morning on China-aid legislation.

RAILROAD COMMUNICATION SYSTEM

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: The Subcommittee on Transportation met in executive session for consideration of H. R. 378, to amend Interstate Commerce Act to require certain common carriers by railroad to install and maintain communication systems and to establish operating regulations and practices to promote safety of employees and travelers on railroads. Will resume on this subject tomorrow.

NATIONAL HEALTH

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee on Public Health, Science, and Commerce considered title III, entitled "Hospital Survey and Construction," of the national health bills, H. R. 4312 and 4313. Heard the following Members of Congress who have introduced bills in this session on hospital construction: Representatives Lemke (H. R. 4126); Bennett of Florida (H. R. 3737); Poulson (H. R. 4763); and Delegate Bartlett (H. R. 323). Other proponent witnesses were Representative Rich and Jerry Voorhis, executive secretary, Cooperative Health Federation of America, Chicago, Ill. Statements relating to this subject were received from the following Members of the House: Representatives Patten, Rains, Aspinall, Hagen, Peterson, Gilmer, Bishop, Plumley, Beall, Rodino, Battle, Murray of Wisconsin, Norrell, Jenkins, D'Ewart, and Sikes. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

LANDS—CLAIMS—COURTS—CIVIL RIGHTS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 4 conducted hearings on H. R. 5003, to authorize War Assets Administration to reimburse New York State for certain lands at Manhattan Beach, Kings County, and heard the following witnesses: Admiral Telfair Knight, Maritime Commission; Nathaniel L. Goldstein, attorney general, State of New York; and William Ellis, of the General Accounting Office.

Subcommittee No. 3, in executive session, approved nine private House bills and two private Senate bills. Also ordered reported favorably to the full committee S. 259, to discontinue divisions of the court in the district of Kansas, and H. R. 5287, to amend title 28, U. S. Code, section 90, to create a Swainsboro division in the southern district of Georgia, with terms of court to be held at Swainsboro. In open hearings on civil-rights legislation, took testimony of Clarke Stallworth, Birmingham Post, Birmingham, Ala.; Clancy Lake, Birmingham News, Birmingham, Ala.; and Paul Trawick, editor, Union News, Jasper, Ala.

MERCHANT MARINE BILLS

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Ordered the following bills reported to the House:

S. 1076, amended, to amend the Migratory Bird Hunting Stamp Act of 1934;

H. R. 242, to confer degree of bachelor of science upon graduates of U. S. Merchant Marine Academy;

H. R. 1746, amended, providing that the United States shall aid the States in fish restoration and management project;

H. R. 2572, extending the provisions of the Armed Forces Leave Act to commissioned officers of the Coast and Geodetic Survey; and

H. R. 4829, appointment of U. S. representative to the Council of the International Civil Aviation Organization.

Committee adjourned subject to the call of the Chair.

SHIPPING

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Subcommittee on Maritime Affairs heard Grenville Mellen, vice chairman, U. S. Maritime Commission, and Frank Goertner, general counsel of the Commission, continue their testimony on H. R. 5346, the long-range shipping bill. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

FEDERAL PAY RAISES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Murray subcommittee heard testimony of Representatives Crook and Miller of California regarding pay raises for Federal and postal employees. Subcommittee will continue hearing Members of Congress who have introduced pay-raise bills in this session at tomorrow morning's meeting.

CHEYENNE-ARAPAHO INDIANS

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Indian Affairs continued consideration of H. R. 4756, to set aside certain lands in Oklahoma for the Cheyenne-Arapaho Tribe of Indians, and heard testimony from Howard Payne, attorney, Washington, D. C.; William Zimmerman, Department of the Interior; and Jesse Rowlodge, chairman, Business Council, Cheyenne-Arapaho Tribe. Hearings on this subject will be continued tomorrow.

TERRITORIAL BILLS

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Territorial and Insular Possessions approved the following bills for reporting to the full committee: H. R. 5207, to amend section 50 of Organic Act of Puerto Rico; H. R. 4688, amended, to extend time for issuance of revenue bonds in Hawaii; and H. R. 3494, to transfer building in Juneau to Alaska Native Brotherhood and/or Sisterhood. William P. Zimmerman, Assistant Commissioner, Bureau of Indian Affairs, testified in favor of H. R. 3494; Irwin W. Silverman, general counsel, Division of Territories, Department of the Interior, spoke in favor of H. R. 5207 and 4688; and James P. Davis, Director, Division of Territories, spoke in favor of H. R. 5207. Subcommittee adjourned subject to the call of the Chair.

RIVERS AND HARBORS—FLOOD CONTROL

Committee on Public Works: Continued executive consideration of proposed omnibus river and harbor and flood-control bill and will meet tomorrow on same subject.

PAY RAISES—VETERANS—POLL TAX

Committee on Rules: Granted rule providing for 1 hour of general debate on H. R. 1689, to increase compensation of heads and assistant heads of executive departments and independent agencies.

Considered, but took no action on, H. Res. 211, authorizing the Veterans' Affairs Committee to conduct an investigation of the abuses of the Servicemen's Readjustment Act of 1944, and heard Representatives Chudoff and Noland speak in favor of the measure. Also considered rule for H. R. 3199, anti-poll-tax bill. Representatives Norton and LeCompte spoke in favor of this legislation. Will meet tomorrow at 11 a. m.

D. C. COMMUNIST ACTIVITIES

Committee on Un-American Activities: Held hearings regarding Communist activities in the District of Columbia and will continue on this subject tomorrow.

SOCIAL SECURITY

Committee on Ways and Means: Held further executive consideration of proposed amendments to the Social Security Act and will continue on this topic at tomorrow's meeting.

BASING POINT

Select Committee on Small Business: Continued discussions on the objections of small business to basing-point legislation, particularly S. 1008, and received testimony from George H. Frates, Washington representative, National Association of Retail Druggists. Hearings will continue tomorrow morning.

Joint Committee Meetings

TREASURY-POST OFFICE APPROPRIATIONS

Conferees held their second conference on H. R. 3083, Treasury-Post Office appropriations for 1950, to work out differences on items for the Bureau of Internal Revenue, between the House- and Senate-passed versions of the bill. The conferees agreed to file a report. As compromised, the bill would appropriate $226,300,000 for the Bureau of Internal Revenue. As approved by the conferees, the bill would appropriate a total of $3,090,528,903, of which $1,036,318,403 would be for the Treasury Department, and $2,054,210,500 for the Post Office Department.

ATOMIC ENERGY

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Carleton Shugg, Deputy General Manager of AEC, and R. W. Cook, acting manager, Oak Ridge operations office, appeared before the committee to discuss contracts and subcontracts of the Roane-Anderson Co. at Oak Ridge, Tenn., and costs and fees with regard to the Roane-Anderson contracts with the AEC. Committee continues tomorrow.

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HIGHLIGHTS

By 51 to 42, Senate passed labor bill, and Treasury-Post Office appropriations, temporary appropriations, import controls over fats and oils, and D. C. pay bills were cleared for President. The North Atlantic Pact was made the unfinished business.

Federal employees disability and leave bills passed by House.

Senate groups reported bills on appropriations, cigarette tax, industrial alcohol, excise taxes, liquor, and D. C. pay.

Basing-point bill cleared for House debate by Rules Committee.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 8717–8720

Bills Introduced: Ten bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2172 to S. 2181; S. J. Res. 113; and S. Res. 131. Pages 8718–8719, 8727

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. Con. Res. 17, expressing the sense of Congress that research on family aspects of chronic illnesses should be intensified (S. Rept. 599);

H. R. 3151, to amend the Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to provide for certification of drugs composed of certain ingredients (S. Rept. 600);

H. J. Res. 228, authorizing an appropriation for President's Committee on National Employ the Physically Handicapped Week (S. Rept. 601);

S. J. Res. 2, to amend the Constitution regarding the electoral-college system of electing the President and Vice President, with amendment (S. Rept. 602);

S. 2085, to amend the Employment Act of 1946 with respect to the Joint Committee on the Economic Report, with amendments (S. Rept. 603);

H. R. 5100, to correct inequities in the pay of certain officers and employees of the Federal Government and of the government of the D. C. (S. Rept. 604); and

S. Res. 131, authorizing Joint Committee on Foreign Economic Cooperation to make certain expenditures during July 1949 from contingent fund of Senate (no written report). Pages 8718, 8727–8729

President's Message: President transmitted report from Administrator of Federal Works Agency on highway needs. Pages 8733, 8752

Bill Referred: One House-passed bill was referred to appropriate committee. Page 8719

Taft-Hartley Repeal: By 51 yeas to 42 nays Senate passed S. 249, repeal of Taft-Hartley Act, after adopting an amendment by Senator Thomas of Utah changing the title of the act so that it will be known as the Labor-

Management Relations Act of 1949, and after taking the following action on other amendments:

Adopted, by 49 yeas to 44 nays, Taft substitute to titles I, II, and IV of Thomas substitute after first acting on amendments to the Taft substitute as follows: Rejected, by 41 yeas to 53 nays, Baldwin amendment to eliminate from Taft substitute language respecting membership in a union as a condition of employment (sec. 14 (b) of the substitute); adopted, by voice vote, Baldwin "free speech" amendment; adopted, by voice vote, Morse amendment to continue an independent Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service; rejected, by division vote, Butler amendment to include in term "national health or safety," the health or safety of a U. S. Territory or possession; and adopted, by voice vote, Taft amendment making typographical corrections.

Pages 8693–8717

Temporary Appropriations: H. J. Res. 284, making temporary appropriations available for those Federal activities for which the regular annual appropriations have not yet been provided for fiscal year 1950, was adopted and cleared for the President, after the following action was taken on amendments:

Senator McKellar made a point of order against Lodge amendment barring funds for alterations in appearance of Senate Chamber except for those required by repairs to roof. The Chair submitted the question to the decision of the Senate and on division vote Senate decided the amendment was not germane. Senator Lodge then offered a similar amendment in slightly modified form against which a point of order was made by Senator McKellar in that it constituted legislation on appropriation bill. The point of order was sustained by the Chair and on an appeal therefrom by Senator Lodge the Chair was sustained on a division vote. Pages 8720–8725

Treasury-Post Office Appropriations: Conference report on H. R. 3083, Treasury-Post Office appropriations for 1950, was adopted, clearing the bill for the President. Page 8727

Committee Expenses: S. Res. 131, authorizing Joint Committee on Foreign Economic Cooperation to make certain expenditures during July 1949 from contingent fund of Senate, was adopted. Page 8727

Senate Employees: Adopted S. Res. 129, to extend period for payment of members of staff of former Senator Wagner. Pages 8727–8728

D. C. Pay: Senate passed and cleared for President H. R. 5100, to correct inequities in the pay of certain officers and employees of the Federal Government and of the government of the D. C. Pages 8728–8729

Housing: S. 1070, to establish a national housing policy, was sent to conference and Senators Maybank, Sparkman, Douglas, Flanders, and Cain were appointed as conferees. Pages 8733–8743

Fats and Oils: H. R. 5240, temporary extension of Second Decontrol Act of 1947 with respect to import controls of fats and oils, including butter and rice and rice products, was passed and cleared for the President's signature. Pages 8729–8732

International Children's Fund: H. R. 2785, to provide for further contributions to the International Children's Emergency Fund, with committee amendment, was passed. Pages 8743–8744

North Atlantic Pact: The North Atlantic Pact (Exec. L) was made the unfinished business. Pages 8744–8745

Nominations: The nomination of Jefferson Caffery to be Ambassador to Egypt was received. Page 8745

Committee Meetings

FOREIGN-AID APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Committee continued hearings on H. R. 4830, foreign-aid appropriations for 1950, with Assistant Secretary of Army Tracy Voorhees, Senators Kem and Chapman, and Keene Johnson, Reynolds Metals Co., testifying on funds for government and relief in occupied areas, and on funds for the ECA. Committee meets again July 5.

INTERIOR APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee, in executive session, continued its work on marking up for reporting to the full committee H. R. 3838, Interior appropriations for 1950. Subcommittee continues its work tomorrow.

INDEPENDENT OFFICES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee met in executive session to consider several proposed amendments to H. R. 4177, independent offices appropriations for 1950.

APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Committee met in executive session and voted to report without amendment H. J. Res. 284, making temporary appropriations available for those Federal activities for which the regular annual appropriations have not yet been provided for fiscal year 1950.

ARMED SERVICES PAY BILL

Committee on Armed Services: In executive session the committee continued its section-by-section analysis of H. R. 5007, to provide increased pay, allowances, and physical-disability retirement for members of the uniformed services, with Representatives Sutton, Norblad, and Furcolo appearing to present their views on selected portions of the bill. Committee continues on this subject July 5.

PETROLEUM PRICES

Committee on Banking and Currency: A. L. Nickerson, director in charge of domestic marketing, Socony-Vacuum, New York, continued his testimony before the Subcommittee on Small Business justifying recent petroleum price increases.

RFC POLICY

Committee on Banking and Currency: Subcommittee, continuing hearings on RFC policy in making loans, heard Harold A. Jones, member of the CAB, explain the procedure by which the CAB reviews an RFC loan application for approval and certification. The Northwest Airlines application was used as an example.

PRESIDENT'S REORGANIZATION PLANS

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Former President Herbert Hoover appeared before the committee in open hearings to testify generally in support of the various reorganization plans submitted to Congress by the President. Mr. Hoover stated "I wish to say at once that the seven plans are all steps on the road to better organization of the executive branch. They are, insofar as they go, substantially in accord with the recommendations of the Commission on Organization of the Executive Branch of the Government."

CIGARETTE TAX, EXCISE TAX, INDUSTRIAL ALCOHOL, LIQUOR, AND NOMINATIONS

Committee on Finance: In executive session, the committee voted to report without amendment H. R. 195, to assist States in collecting sales and use taxes on cigarettes; and H. R. 5114, to amend the Internal Revenue Code to permit the use of additional means, including stamp machines, for payment of tax on fermented malt liquors, and to provide for the establishment of brewery bottling house on brewery premises.

The committee voted to report with amendments H. R. 3905, to confer upon Commissioner of Internal Revenue subpena powers in cases involving the denial or revocation of industrial alcohol permits. One amendment proposes to reduce excise taxes on admissions, light bulbs, jewelry, furs, toilet preparations, luggage, communications, transportation of persons, and photographic apparatus. The other would exclude from gross income for income-tax purposes value of charitable donation of grain.

The following nominations were voted reported favorably: Harry M. Durning to be collector of customs for Customs Collection District No. 10 with headquarters in New York; Harlan T. Chapman, Elyria, Ohio, to be Assistant Register of the Treasury; and Marion J. Harron, California, to be judge of the U. S. Tax Court. The Harron nomination was accompanied by a special report making certain observations.

INDIANS

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Subcommittee heard two Indians of the Pyramid Lake Indian Reservation, Nev., testify in opposition to S. 17, to authorize issue of patents for lands to certain settlers in Pyramid Lake Indian Reservation, Nev.

Josephine Kelly and Basil Two Bears, Indians of the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe, testified before the subcommittee in support of H. R. 3974, to promote the rehabilitation of the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe of Indians and better utilization of the resources of the Standing Rock Indian Reservation.

FTC NOMINATION

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Committee opened hearings on the nomination of John Carson to be a member of the Federal Trade Commission, with Mr. Carson testifying in behalf of his own nomination.

Elton Kile, member of Ohio State Legislature, and president of National Associated Businessmen, appeared before the committtee to "voice a strong protest against the nomination," Hearings continue July 7.

NOMINATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee held routine hearing on the nomination of Morgan Ford to be judge of U. S. Customs Court. No witness appeared in opposition.

PHILIPPINE REHABILITATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee heard the following witnesses testify in support of S. 1033, to amend further the Philippine Rehabilitation Act of 1946 to authorize the Philippine War Damage Commission to compensate for damages suffered to schools, hospitals, etc.: Senator McGrath; Rev. John F. Hurley and Rev. Henry W. Greer, both Catholic priests; and Lewis A. McGowan, attorney of New York.

POST OFFICE MANAGEMENT, AND D. C. PAY

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Former President Herbert Hoover appeared before the subcommittee (with the full membership invited) to discuss Post Office management in connection with proposed reorganization of the Post Office Department.

The full committee voted to report to the Senate H. R. 5100, to correct inequities in the pay of certain officers and employees of the Federal Government and of the government of the D. C.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Sixty-seven public bills, H. R. 5403–5469; two private bills, H. R. 5470–5471; and three resolutions, H. J. Res. 287, and H. Res. 274 and 275, were introduced. Pages 8751, 8778–8780

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. Res. 274, providing for consideration of, and 1 hour of debate on, H. R. 1689, to increase rates of compensation of the heads and assistant heads of executive departments and independent agencies (H. Rept. 952);

Three private bills, H. R. 3718, 4306, and 4854 (H. Repts. 953–955, respectively);

H. R. 5310, to confer jurisdiction on State of California over the lands and residents of the Agua Caliente Indian Reservation in said State (H. Rept. 956);

H. R. 5332, to amend section 3 of act of June 18, 1934, relating to the establishment of foreign-trade zones (H. Rept. 957);

H. J. Res. 287, to extend for 1 year the reconversion and unemployment benefits for seamen, provided by title XIII of the Social Security Act (H. Rept. 958);

S. 70, extending district court procedure of U. S. to District Court of Alaska (H. Rept. 959);

S. 1042, relating to payment of fees, expenses, and costs of jurors (H. Rept. 960);

H. R. 4875, to amend title 28, of U. S. Code relative to travel expense allowances for Government employee witnesses (H. Rept. 961); and

Minority views on H. R. 4406, to provide for the settlement of certain U. S. claims against foreign countries (H. Rept. 770, pt. 2). Pages 8777–8778

President's Message: Heard a message from President transmitting a detailed report on the condition of the highways of the country and their fitness to meet defense and civil needs. The report was referred to the Committee on Public Works and ordered printed as a House document (H. Doc. No. 249). Page 8752

Lapsed Appropriations: Agreed to Senate amendments to H. R. 3549, to permit Comptroller General to pay claims chargeable against lapsed appropriations and to provide for the return of unexpended balances of such appropriations to the surplus fund, thus clearing the bill for the President. Page 8752

Federal Employees Compensation: Passed H. R. 3191, the Federal Employees Compensation Act amendments of 1949. This bill liberalizes the Federal Employees Compensation Act by making the benefits provided therein more realistic in terms of present wage rates and also extends its coverage to some employees not now covered.

In addition to all committee amendments, the House adopted an amendment removing Members of Congress from definition of term "employee."

H. Res. 265, the rule for consideration of H. R. 3191, was previously adopted. Pages 8752–8764

Part-Time Federal Employees: Passed H. R. 2619, to extend the benefits of the annual- and sick-leave laws to part-time employees on regular tours of duty, also to validate payments heretofore made for leave on account of services of such employees.

H. Res. 259, making in order the consideration of H. R. 2619, was previously adopted. Pages 8765–8768

Committee Meetings

COTTON MARKETING QUOTAS

Committee on Agriculture: The Pace Subcommittee on Cotton held executive session on H. R. 5392, to amend the cotton marketing quota provisions of the Agricultural Adjustment Act. Will meet on same legislation tomorrow.

DEFENSE ESTABLISHMENT—LAND TRANSFER

Committee on Armed Services: Ordered the following bills reported to the House:

H. R. 524, release of U. S. title to certain tract of land granted to Los Angeles;

H. R. 5289 and 5328, both bills relating to an authorization to the Secretary of the Army to convey certain lands to the city and county of San Francisco.

In an open hearing on S. 1843, to convert the National Military Establishment into an executive department to be known as the Department of Defense, and establish the authority of its Secretary, the committee heard the testimony of Ferdinand Eberstadt, Chairman, Armed Services Task Force of the Hoover Commission. Hearings will be continued Wednesday, July 6.

JUDGES—CORPORATIONS

Committee on the District of Columbia: The Judiciary Subcommittee took the testimony of the following witnesses at hearings on H. R. 1370 and 2105, regarding the appointment of three additional judges of the D. C. municipal court: Corporation Counsel Vernon West; Austin Canfield, past president, D. C. Bar Association; and John Laskey and William Lichtenberg, members of the D. C. Bar Association.

Roger Whiteford and Chester H. Gray, Assistant Corporation Counsel, were heard on H. R. 3343, providing for the regulation, merger, dissolution, and consolidation of certain D. C. business corporations. Meeting adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

HOUSING AND HOME FINANCE AGENCY

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Representative Hardy, Chairman of the Government Operations Subcommittee, announced today that the subcommittee had expanded its official study of the war-housing disposal activities of the Housing and Home Finance Agency and its constituent agencies to include other phases of operations of these agencies.

CHINA

Committee on Foreign Affairs: The committee ordered reported to the House H. R. 5330, the Korean-aid bill.

Also, heard in executive session, Gen. Claire Chennault and Admiral C. M. Cooke (retired), on the situation in China.

NATIONAL HEALTH

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee on Public Health, Science, and Commerce, continued consideration of title III, entitled "Hospital Survey and Construction," of the national health bills, H. R. 4312 and 4313, and other similar bills, and heard the following proponent witnesses: Dr. Palmer Dearing, Acting Surgeon General, U. S. Public Health Service, FSA, accompanied by Dr. Van M. Hoge, Assistant Surgeon General in charge of Hospital Facilities; Bert Robinson, chairman, Marlette Hospital Board, and president, State Pharmaceutical Association, Marlette, Mich.; George Bugbee, executive director, American Hospital Association, Chicago, Ill.; Hugh H. Murray, Jr., president, National Association of Mutual Insurance Agents, Raleigh, N. C.; and Robert G. Carter, supervisor, hospital planning division, Florida State Improvement Commission, Tallahassee, Fla.

Also received statements from Representatives Miles, Smathers, and Harrison; Dr. Lloyd C. Halvorson, economist and secretary to interim committee on health, the National Grange, Washington, D. C.; Dr. John A. Ferrell, executive secretary, North Carolina Medical Care Commission, Raleigh, N. C.; Jack R. Nuzum, executive secretary, Taylor County Board of Trade, Grafton, W. Va.; Rev. John G. Martin, S. T. D., past president of St. Barnabas Hospital and member of the American Protestant Hospital Association, Newark, N. J.; and Hugh J. McGoldrick, director of Office of Hospital Survey and Construction, State of Michigan, Lansing, Mich.

AIRPORTS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: The Subcommittee on Transportation met in executive session for consideration of H. R. 4239, to amend the Federal Airport Act to reduce from 75 to 60 percent the amount of appropriation available for grants for projects. The group meets again tomorrow morning.

COURTS

Committee on the Judiciary: Ordered the following bills reported to the House:

S. 259, to discontinue divisions of the court in the district of Kansas.

H. R. 5287, to amend title 28, United States Code, section 90, to create a Swainsboro division in the southern district of Georgia, with terms of court to be held at Swainsboro.

S. 1042, amended, relating to the payment of fees, expenses, and costs of jurors.

H. R. 4875, amended, to amend title 28 of the United States Code relating to travel-expense allowances for Government employee witnesses.

S. 70, amended, to make effective in the District Court for the Territory of Alaska rules promulgated by the Supreme Court of the United States governing pleading, practice, and procedure in the district courts of the United States.

Also ordered reported 11 private House bills and 2 Senate.

Subcommittee No. 3 took testimony in its consideration of a private bill.

SHIPPING—MARITIME COMMISSION

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: The Subcommittee on Maritime Affairs held further consideration of long-range shipping legislation with testimony being received from Commissioner Grenville Mellen, Vice Chairman, U. S. Maritime Commission.

Francis S. Walker, counsel, American Merchant Marine Institute, Inc., spoke before the group on H. R. 3930, which amends the Merchant Marine Act of 1936, relating to making certain records of the Maritime Commission available to the public, collective bargaining, wage scales, etc.

The group adjourned until July 7.

POSTAL RATES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Met in executive discussions with Postmaster General Donaldson on H. R. 2945, to increase certain postal rates.

AGUA CALIENTE RESERVATION

Committee on Public Lands: Ordered reported to the House H. R. 5310, amended, which confers jurisdiction on the State of California over lands and residents of the Agua Caliente Indian Reservation, Calif. Representative Phillips of California spoke in support of the bill.

CHEYENNE-ARAPAHO INDIANS

Committee on Public Lands: The Subcommittee on Indian Affairs continued its hearings on H. R. 4756, to set aside certain lands in Oklahoma for the Cheyenne-Arapaho Tribe of Indians of Oklahoma. Speaking on behalf of the bill were Jesse Rowlodge, chairman, business council, and Kish Hawkins, both of the Cheyenne-Arapaho Tribe; J. F. Nighswander, El Reno, Okla.; and William H. Payne, attorney, Washington, D. C. John H. Lynch, Assistant Director of Lands, Agriculture Department, also testified.

RIVERS AND HARBORS—FLOOD CONTROL

Committee on Public Works: Representative Whittington, chairman of the committee, following the comple-

tion of the hearings and the preparation of a bill containing authorizations for rivers and harbors and authorizations for flood control made the following statement today:

River and Harbor Act of 1949: The committee has instructed the chairman to report authorizations for rivers and harbors aggregating $119,371,350, the largest of which were Savannah River, $3,137,000; Galveston Harbor, $5,550,000; San Joaquin Harbor, Calif., $4,214,000; Arthur Kill, N. Y., $11,561,000; and Arkansas River, $70,000,000.

Flood Control Act of 1949: The committee authorized new flood-control projects aggregating $209,602,000, the largest items include Albeni Falls, Idaho, $31,000,000; Grand (Neosho) River, Kans., $36,000,000; Santa Ana River, Calif., $15,000,000; South Platte River, Colo., $26,000,000; St. Francis River, Mo. and Ark., $20,000,000; Cache River, Ark. and Mo., $10,000,000; Willamette River, $14,000,000; and Columbia River, $22,000,000.

The committee further approved increased authorizations along the lower Mississippi River and tributaries, $200,000,000; Savannah River, $40,000,000; upper Mississippi River, $15,000,000; Missouri River Basin, $250,000,000; Ohio River and tributaries, $75,000,000; Red River of the North, $4,000,000; Rio Grande Basin, $34,000,000; Los Angeles-San Gabriel River Basin, $40,000,000; Willamette River, $40,000,000; for reclamation on Missouri River by Department of Interior, $200,000,000; and for soil conservation by Department of Agriculture, $19,000,000. The total authorizations for rivers and harbors aggregate $119,371,350, and the total authorizations for flood control aggregate $995,000,000.

BASING POINT

Committee on Rules: Granted open rule providing for 3 hours' general debate on S. 1008, to define the application of the Federal Trade Commission Act and the Clayton Act to certain pricing practices (basing point). Representatives Celler and Walter urged the granting of a rule while Representative Patman spoke in opposition to the measure.

D. C. COMMUNIST ACTIVITIES

Committee on Un-American Activities: Meeting scheduled for this morning was postponed due to lack of quorum until Wednesday, July 6, when hearings on Communist activities in the District of Columbia will be resumed.

SOCIAL SECURITY—FOREIGN TRADE

Committee on Ways and Means: Continued on executive discussions of proposed amendments to the Social Security Act and will meet again tomorrow on this subject.

Also ordered the following bills reported to the House: H. J. Res. 287, extending for 1 year the reconversion and unemployment benefits for seamen under the Social Security Act; and H. R. 5332, to permit manufacturing and exhibiting of goods in foreign trade zones in the United States.

BASING POINT

Select Committee on Small Business: Held further discussions in morning and afternoon sessions on the objections of small business to basing-point legislation, particularly S. 1008. Walter B. Wooden, senior associate general counsel, Federal Trade Commission, spoke at today's meeting. Hearings will continue tomorrow morning.

Joint Committee Meetings

ATOMIC ENERGY

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Committee met briefly in open session to continue its investigation of the operation and administration of the AEC with members of the AEC present.

ADDITIONAL JUDGES

Conferees on H. R. 4963, to provide for additional judges in the Federal courts, met in executive session to consider the differences between the House- and Senate-passed versions of the bill, but did not reach final agreement. Conferees adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

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HIGHLIGHTS

Senate groups approved bills on Colorado River, American River, and agricultural and forest lands.

Bills on carriers, airports, and explosives ordered reported by House committee.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 8780–8797

Bills Introduced: Six bills were introduced, as follows: S. 2182 to S. 2187. Page 8781

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. J. Res. 33, purchase of certain Indian lands by U. S. from Three Affiliated Tribes of Fort Berthold Reservation, N. Dak., with amendments (S. Rept. 605);

H. R. 165, reauthorize the American River Basin development as an integrated feature of the Central Valley project, California, with amendments (S. Rept. 606);

H. R. 3680, to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to quitclaim 5 1/10 acres of land in Washington County, Miss., to Mississippi State College (S. Rept. 607);

H. R. 3982, to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to sell certain lands to Sisters of St. Joseph in Arizona, Inc., to consolidate the desert laboratory experimental area of Southwestern Forest and Range Experiment Station (S. Rept. 608); and

S. J. Res. 24, to provide for a suitable and adequate system of timber access roads to and in the forests of the U. S., with amendments (S. Rept. 609). Page 8781

Bills Referred: Two House-passed bills were referred to appropriate committees. Page 8781

Columbia River: Report of Chief of Engineers, U. S. Army, on Baker Bay, Columbia River, Wash., was ordered printed as S. Doc. 95, and referred to Committee on Public Works. Page 8781

International Technical Cooperation: Message was received from the Secretary of State submitting two drafts of proposed legislation to implement President's program to assist underdeveloped areas to raise their standard of living. One proposal was for an International Technical Cooperation Act of 1949, which was referred to Committee on Foreign Relations, and the other was to amend the Export-Import Bank Act of 1945 so as to guarantee U. S. investments abroad, which was referred to Committee on Banking and Currency. Page 8780

North Atlantic Pact: Senate met briefly in executive session and heard several speeches, with the North Atlantic Pact remaining the unfinished business. Page 8780

Nomination: The nomination of Jess Larson, Oklahoma, to be Administrator of General Services, was received. Page 8797

Committee Meetings

PUBLIC LANDS—FORESTRY

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: In executive session, committee voted to report without amendment H. R. 3680, to authorize Secretary of Agriculture to quitclaim 5 1/10 acres of land in Washington County, Mississippi, to Mississippi State College; H. R. 3982, to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to sell certain lands to Sisters of Saint Joseph in Arizona, Inc., to consolidate the Desert Laboratory Experimental Area of Southwestern Forest and Range Experiment Station; and S. 2086, transferring management of certain public lands from Department of Agriculture to the Fort Sill Indian School, Okla.

It voted to report with amendment H. R. 2296, to establish Federal-State cooperation in forestry activities by amending the Clarke-McNary Act of 1924; and S. J. Res. 24, to provide for a suitable and adequate system of timber access roads to and in the forests of the U. S.

INTERIOR APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee continued in executive session, marking up for reporting to the full committee H. R. 3838, Interior appropriations for 1950. Subcommittee did not conclude its work and will meet again July 6.

COLORADO RIVER AND AMERICAN RIVER

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: In executive session, the committee voted to report, with amendments, S. 75, to authorize construction, operation, and maintenance of dams on the Colorado River at Bridge Canyon, together with certain appurtenant dams and canals (central Arizona project); and H. R. 165, to reauthorize the American River Basin development as an integrated feature of the Central Valley project, California.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Fourteen public bills, H. R. 5472–5485; and one resolution, H. Res. 276, were introduced. Pages 8808–8809

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. R. 5330, to provide aid to the Republic of Korea (H. Rept. 962);

H. R. 5208, to promote the rehabilitation of the Navajo and Hopi Tribes of Indians and the better

utilization of resources of their reservations (H. Rept. 963);

H. R. 524, to convey to the county of Los Angeles, Calif., a certain portion of a tract of land (H. Rept. 964);

H. R. 5289, quitclaim deed of Palace of Fine Arts to county and city of San Francisco, Calif. (H. Rept. 965);

H. R. 5328, conveyance of northerly portion of Fort Funston Military Reservation to city and county of San Francisco, Calif. (H. Rept. 966); and

H. R. 5287, to amend U. S. Code to create a Swainsboro division in the Southern District of Georgia, with terms of court to be held at Swainsboro (H. Rept. 967).

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Housing: Insisted on its amendments to S. 1070, to establish a national housing policy; agreed to a conference requested by the Senate; and appointed Representatives Spence, Brown of Georgia, Patman, Monroney, Wolcott, Gamble, and Smith of Ohio as conferees on the part of the House. Page 8798

Seamen: Adopted H. J. Res. 287, extending for 1 year the reconversion and unemployment benefits for seamen, provided by title XIII of the Social Security Act.

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International Broadcasting: Agreed to Senate amendments to H. R. 2282, to make certain Government-owned facilities available for international broadcasting in the furtherance of authorized programs of the Department of State, thus clearing the bill for Presidential action. Page 8800

Bill Referred: S. 249, National Labor Relations Act of 1949, passed by the Senate on June 30, was referred to the Committee on Education and Labor. Page 8808

Committee Meetings

COTTON MARKETING QUOTAS

Committee on Agriculture: The Pace Subcommittee on Cotton continued executive discussions on H. R. 5392, amending the cotton marketing quota provisions of the Agricultural Adjustment Act. Will resume on same topic next Tuesday, July 5.

SUBCOMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Appointed a subcommittee to consider H. R. 2957, amending the Institute of Inter-American Affairs Act, composed of Representatives Mansfield, chairman, and Battle, Smathers, Chiperfield, and Jackson of California; and a subcommittee to consider Executive Communication No. 310, relative to legislation to amend certain laws providing for membership and participation by the United States in specified international organizations. This group consists of Representatives Morgan, chairman, Carnahan, and Judd. The first-mentioned subcommittee has scheduled a meeting on H. R. 2957 for Tuesday, July 5.

CARRIERS—AIRPORTS—EXPLOSIVES

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Ordered the following bills reported to the House:

S. 255, to amend the Interstate Commerce Act relating to joint boards on motor-carrier operations;

S. 256, amended, to amend the Interstate Commerce Act relative to payments of freight charges, mergers of carriers, reports from carrier associations, sleeping-car companies, and other miscellaneous changes;

S. 1278, to amend the Federal Airport Act to fix U. S share of project costs in installation of high-intensity lighting on CAA-designated instrument-landing runways;

S. 1279, to amend the Federal Airport Act so as to provide that minimum rates of wages need be specified only in contracts in excess of $2,000;

S. 1280, to amend the Federal Airport Act so as to limit to 10 percent any increase of the amount stated as a maximum obligation under a grant agreement;

S. 1283, amended, to authorize the use of State-allotted funds for Federal airport projects in national parks, etc.; and

H. R. 3940, amended, to amend the Civil Aeronautics Act of 1938 to provide penalties for violation of any regulation relating to transportation, packing, marking, or description of explosives or other dangerous articles.

MANHATTAN BEACH

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 4 heard testimony of Jack S. Baban, investigator, and Charles Johnson, attorney, both of the General Accounting Office, at today's hearings on H. R. 5003, authorizing the War Assets Administration or its successors to reimburse the people of the State of New York for certain lands at Manhattan Beach, Kings County, N. Y.

Also approved for reporting to the full committee H. J. Res. 182, regarding the proclaiming of Emblem Day.

SOCIAL SECURITY

Committee on Ways and Means: Held further executive consideration of proposed amendments to the Social Security Act. Will resume on same subject next Wednesday, July 6.

BASING POINT

Select Committee on Small Business: At today's hearings regarding the objections of small business to basing-point legislation, particularly S. 1008, testimony was taken from the following witnesses: Angus McDonald, assistant legislative secretary, National Farmers Union; Edgar S. Idol, general counsel, American Trucking Association, Inc.; and Eugene W. Burr, attorney, formerly with Federal Trade Commission. Adjourned until Tuesday, July 5.

Résumé of Congressional Activity

FIRST SESSION OF EIGHTY-FIRST CONGRESS

The first table gives a comprehensive résumé of all legislative business transacted by the House and Senate during the session, January 3, 1949, through June 30, 1949.

The second table accounts for all nominations submitted to the Senate by the President for Senate confirmation.

DATA ON LEGISLATIVE ACTIVITY

January 3 through June 30, 1949

	Senate	*House*	*Total*
Days in session	109	103	..
Time in session	644 hrs., 29′	442 hrs., 27′	..
Congressional Record:			
Pages of proceedings	5,101	3,847	8,948
Appendix	..	..	4,406
Public bills enacted into law	66	88	154
Private bills enacted into law	43	94	137
Bills in conference	..	..	8
Bills through conference	..	..	25
Measures passed, total	522	821	..
Senate bills	205	103	..
House bills	191	522	..
Senate joint resolutions	16	10	..
House joint resolutions	18	29	..
Senate concurrent resolutions	22	4	..
House concurrent resolutions	10	12	..
Simple resolutions	60	141	201
Measures reported, total	*674	*915	..
Senate bills	289	97	..
House bills	245	652	..
Senate joint resolutions	20	32	..
House joint resolutions	20	32	..
Senate concurrent resolutions	26	9	..
House concurrent resolutions	11	8	..
Simple resolutions	63	111	174
Special reports	17	18	..
Conference reports	..	28	..
Reported measures not acted on	**127	**141	..
Measures introduced, total	2,475	6,130	8,605
Bills	2,181	5,471	7,652
Joint resolutions	113	287	400
Concurrent resolutions	50	97	147
Simple resolutions	131	275	406
Quorum calls	238	58	296
Yea-and-nay votes	117	62	179
Bills vetoed	..	..	6

*These figures on measures reported include all placed on calendar or acted on by Senate even if there was no accompanying report. A total of 604 reports has been filed in the Senate; a total of 961 has been filed in the House.

**This figure does not agree with the total difference between bills reported and bills passed, because resolutions and bills placed on the House Calendar without having been formally reported were not included in figures of measures reported to the House; the difference in the case of Senate figures is due to uncounted bills "laid on the table" or "indefinitely postponed."

DISPOSITION OF EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS RECEIVED FROM JANUARY 3–JUNE 30, 1949

Postmaster nominations, totaling 2,106, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	1,776
Withdrawn	22
Rejected	None
Unconfirmed	308
Army nominations, totaling 16,202, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	16,061
Withdrawn	None
Rejected	None
Unconfirmed	141
Air Force nominations, totaling 12,662, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	12,600
Withdrawn	None
Rejected	None
Unconfirmed	62
Navy nominations, totaling 14,700, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	14,434
Withdrawn	None
Rejected	None
Unconfirmed	266
Marine Corps nominations, totaling 977, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	977
Withdrawn	None
Rejected	None
Unconfirmed	None
Civilian nominations other than postmasters, totaling 2,026, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	1,957
Withdrawn	6
Rejected	None
Unconfirmed	63

Summary

Total nominations received	48,673
Total rejected	None
Total withdrawn	28
Total unconfirmed	840
Total confirmed	47,805

TABLE OF APPROPRIATION BILLS, EIGHTY-FIRST CONGRESS, FIRST SESSION

Bill No.	Title	Budget estimates*	House			Senate			Public law		
			Date reported	Amount reported	Date passed	Date reported	Amount reported	Date passed	Amount passed	Date approved	Amount approved	Law No.
H. J. Res. 112	Disaster Relief	$1,000,000	Jan. 27	$500,000	Jan. 27	Jan. 27	$500,000	Jan. 27	$500,000	Jan. 28	$500,000	3
H. J. Res. 136	Disaster Relief	500,000	Feb. 3	500,000	Feb. 3	Feb. 3	500,000	Feb. 3	500,000	Feb. 7	500,000	5
H. R. 2632	First Deficiency, 1949	564,183,148	Feb. 14	466,882,177	Feb. 16	Mar. 22	538,453,473	Apr. 13	542,303,473	May 24	524,649,473	71
H. R. 3082	District of Columbia, 1950	103,878,727	Mar. 1	98,923,621	Mar. 2	June 17	103,132,153	June 21	103,142,153	June 29	102,754,447	145
H. R. 3083	Treasury-Post Office, 1950	3,176,266,750	Mar. 1	3,072,817,903	Mar. 3	Apr. 29	3,113,068,503	May 11	3,113,068,503	.....	.....	.....
	Treasury	1,096,594,450		1,027,604,403			1,045,184,403		1,045,184,403	.....	.....	.....
	Post Office	2,079,672,300		2,045,209,500			2,067,884,100		2,067,884,100	.....	.....	.....
H. R. 3333	Labor-Federal Security, 1950	2,234,389,285	Mar. 8	2,211,794,085	Mar. 9	Apr. 14	2,396,337,265	May 17	2,409,827,265	June 29	2,387,799,885	141
	Labor	16,766,200		16,550,000			16,766,200		16,766,200		16,766,200	
	FSA	1,500,805,585		1,478,426,585			1,495,901,565		1,509,391,565		1,487,364,185	
	Related agencies	716,817,500		716,817,500			883,669,500		883,669,500		883,669,500	
H. R. 3734	Civil Functions, Army, 1950	772,458,220	Mar. 23	586,762,000	Mar. 29	May 10	751,440,690	May 20	751,440,690	.....	.....	.....
H. R. 3838	Interior, 1950	624,832,270	Mar. 28	536,211,908	Mar. 30	May 10	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
H. R. 3997	Agriculture, 1950	727,906,908	Apr. 4	701,122,079	Apr. 5	May 10	723,083,249	May 19	723,083,249	June 29	715,601,607	146
H. R. 4016	State, Justice, Commerce, 1950	740,362,956	Apr. 5	684,616,102	Apr. 7	June 1	671,782,281	June 7	671,782,281	.....	.....	.....
	State	285,313,756		271,405,656			260,172,456		260,172,456			
	Justice	132,566,300		132,579,141			130,971,000		130,971,000			
	Commerce	301,248,500		259,927,605			259,904,105		259,904,105			
	Judiciary	21,234,200		20,703,700			20,734,720		20,734,720			
H. R. 4046	Second Deficiency, 1949	698,028,397	Apr. 6	671,047,172	Apr. 8	June 1	859,675,510	June 2	862,563,510	June 23	854,838,710	119
H. R. 4146	National Military, 1950	13,219,835,700	Apr. 9	13,272,815,800	Apr. 13	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	Army	4,604,375,700		4,481,834,200								
	Navy	4,408,026,000		4,375,327,600								
	Air Force	4,000,887,000		4,222,954,000								
	Other	206,047,000		192,700,000								
H. R. 4177	Independent Offices, 1950	7,785,194,830	Apr. 11	7,104,571,603	Apr. 14	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
H. J. Res. 222	Veterans Readjustment Benefits	595,890,000	Apr. 12	595,890,000	Apr. 13	Apr. 13	595,890,000	Apr. 14	595,890,000	Apr. 15	595,890,000	43
H. R. 4830	Foreign Aid, 1950	6,322,200,000	May 23	5,542,470,000	May 26	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
H. R. 5060	Legislative, 1950	73,898,184	June 8	62,200,705	June 9	June 14	62,262,110	June 15	62,262,110	June 22	62,262,110	118
H. R. 5300	Third Deficiency, 1949	162,691,073	June 23	127,032,243	June 24	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....

*These estimates include any additional amounts which may have been submitted to the Senate after the bill was acted on by House Appropriations Committee.

Tuesday, July 5, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate opened debate on North Atlantic Pact.
House debated international claims settlement bill.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 8809–8812

Bills Introduced: Five bills were introduced, as follows: S. 2188 to S. 2192. Page 8810

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 2086, transferring management of certain public lands from Department of Agriculture to the Fort Sill Indian School, Okla. (S. Rept. 610); and

H. R. 2296, to establish Federal-State cooperation in forestry activities by amending the Clarke-McNary Act of 1924, with amendments (S. Rept. 611). Page 8810

Bill Referred: One House-passed bill was referred to appropriate committee. Page 8810

President's Message: President transmitted to Senate a report of National Advisory Council on international monetary and financial problems, which was referred to Committee on Banking and Currency.

Pages 8810–8835

North Atlantic Pact: Senate opened debate on North Atlantic Pact. Pages 8812–8820

Confirmations: Three civilian nominations were confirmed, including that of Mrs. Perle Mesta, of Rhode Island, to be Envoy to Luxemburg. Page 8833

Nominations: Nine nominations in the Marine Corps were received. Page 8833

Committee Meetings

FOREIGN-AID APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Committee concluded hearings on H. R. 4830, foreign-aid appropriations for 1950, after receiving testimony from Willard L. Thorp, Assistant Secretary of State (accompanied by Winthrop G. Brown, Office of International Trade Policy, and J. Carney Howell, Office of Management and Budget) and ECA Administrator Paul Hoffman (accompanied by Richard M. Bissell, Assistant Deputy Administrator) in support of the proposed appropriations.

INDEPENDENT OFFICES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Committee met in executive session to consider for reporting to the Senate H. R. 4177, independent offices appropriations for 1950, but did not conclude its work. Committee meets again tomorrow.

ARMED SERVICES PAY BILL

Committee on Armed Services: Committee met again in executive session to continue its section-by-section analysis of H. R. 5007, to provide increased pay, allowances, and physical-disability retirement for members of the uniformed services. Committee will continue its work on this bill tomorrow.

VETERANS' BILLS

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee heard the following witnesses testify generally in support of bills proposing amendments to the Servicemen's Readjustment Act to extend benefits, especially educational, to servicemen and dependents (S. 672, 1364, 1511, and 1602): Senator Kefauver; John Williamson, VFW; Charles Foster, DAV; Harry McGinnis, of Senator Martin's staff; and David Whatley, a private citizen.

Guy H. Birdsall, VA, appeared to present an analysis of the bills by the VA. Hearings continue tomorrow.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Ten public bills, H. R. 5486–5495; seven private bills, H. R. 5496–5502; and three resolutions, H. J. Res. 288, H. Con. Res. 98, and H. Res. 277, were introduced. Page 8884

Bill Reported: One report was made, as follows: H. Res. 277, providing for consideration of and 3 hours of general debate on S. 1008, to confirm right of individual companies to use certain pricing practices during a specified period for purpose of engaging in competition in good faith (H. Rept. 968). Page 8884

President's Message: Heard message from the President transmitting a report of the National Advisory Council on international monetary and financial problems, which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs and ordered printed as a House Document (H. Doc. No. 250). Page 8835

Yugoslav Claims: Adopted H. Res. 258, the rule waiving points of order against and making in order the consideration of H. R. 4406, to provide for the settlement of certain claims of the Government of the United States on its own behalf and on behalf of American nationals against foreign governments, and, after spending some time in considering the bill, postponed final action on the measure until tomorrow.

While in the Committee of the Whole, rejected amendments designed to—

Confine the provisions of H. R. 4406 to claims against Yugoslavia.

Allow court review of claims settlements.

Remove requirement of claims commissioners being members of the bar.

Refer all claims to the War Claims Commission.

Pages 8835–8856

Committee Meetings

COTTON MARKETING QUOTAS

Committee on Agriculture: The Pace Subcommittee on Cotton, considering H. R. 5392, to amend the cotton marketing quota provisions of the Agricultural Adjustment Act, heard the views of the following Members of Congress on the legislation: Representatives Whittington, Wickersham, Monroney, Murdock, Patten, Baring, and Werdel. Will continue hearings on this subject tomorrow.

Subcommittee No. 3 voted to report favorably to the full committee H. R. 2538, amended, to authorize completion of land development and settlement of Angostura unit of Missouri Basin project, notwithstanding a limitation of time, and H. R. 2968, amended, to facilitate and simplify the work of the Forest Service.

INTER-AMERICAN AFFAIRS

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Special subcommittee handling H. R. 2957, amending the Institute of Inter-American Affairs Act, Representative Mansfield, chairman, heard the testimony of Dillon S. Myer, President of the Institute, and George V. Allen, Assistant Secretary of State, in connection with the legislation. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

INDIAN BILLS

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Indian Affairs reported favorably to the full committee H. R. 4505, title to certain lands in the Pueblo of Laguna in New Mexico, and H. R. 4968, amended, flood-control bonds to be issued by the city and county of Honolulu. Two witnesses from the Department of Interior testified in favor of the bills: H. M. Critchfield and A. Miller. Subcommittee meets again tomorrow morning.

BASING POINT

Select Committee on Small Business: Resumed hearings on the objections of small business to basing-point legislation, particularly S. 1008, and received testimony from the following witnesses: Dr. Walter Adams, professor of economics, Michigan State College, East Lansing, Mich.; Everette MacIntyre, Chief, Division of Antimonopoly Trials, Federal Trade Commission; and George J. Burger, vice president, National Federation of Independent Business, Inc. Hearings will continue tomorrow morning.

Wednesday, July 6, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate debated North Atlantic Pact, and passed 74 bills on call of calendar.

House passed international claims settlement bill and 80 calendar measures.

Senate groups approved bills on general appropriations, District of Columbia, paleontological investigations, and printing.

Bills on import duties, veterans' benefits, and public building and land transfers approved by House committees.

Conferees agreed to file report on housing bill.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 8885–8891

Bills Introduced: Nine bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 2193 to S. 2201; and S. Res. 132. Page 8888

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 1128, to amend act regulating practice of podiatry in the D. C. (S. Rept. 612);

S. 1931, development of parks and playgrounds for the D. C., with amendment (S. Rept. 613); and

H. R. 2799, regulating the retent on contracts with the D. C. (S. Rept. 614). Page 8887

Bill Rereferred: The Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce was discharged from further consideration of S. 1097, private bill, which was rereferred to Committee on Post Office and Civil Service. Page 8890

Veto Message: Senate received President's veto message on S. 41, private bill, which was referred to Committee on the Judiciary. Pages 8904–8905

Calendar Bills Passed: On call of the calendar, 74 unobjected-to bills, of which 46 were private, were passed as follows:

Without amendment and cleared for President:

Trawlers: H. R. 4252, to transfer the trawlers *Alaska* and *Oregon* from the RFC to the Fish and Wildlife Service;

Swan Island: H. R. 3717, to repeal act establishing Swan Island Animal Quarantine Station;

Drugs: H. R. 3151, to amend the Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to provide for certification of drugs composed of certain ingredients;

Physically handicapped: H. J. Res. 228, authorizing an appropriation for President's Committee on National Employ the Physically Handicapped Week;

Mississippi land: H. R. 3680, to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to quitclaim 5 1/10 acres of land in Washington County, Miss., to Mississippi State College;

Aeronautics: H. R. 20, to authorize the creation of 10 professional and scientific positions in National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics; and

Private bills: 27 private bills: H. R. 2848, 682, 709, 1042, 1116, 1131, 1173, 1297, 1470, 1496, 1676, 2349, 3077, 3812, 52, 703, 1009, 3017, 3313, 3320, 3323, 3720, 4373, 4559, 4807, 3321, and 596.

With amendment, to be sent back to House:

D. C. judges: H. R. 3901, to increase salaries of judges of D. C. municipal court of appeals and D. C. municipal court;

Forest land: H. R. 3982, to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to sell certain lands to Sisters of St. Joseph in Arizona, Inc., to consolidate the desert laboratory experimental area of Southwestern Forest and Range Experiment Station;

D. C. banks: H. R. 2104, relating to orders to D. C. banks for stopping payment on negotiable instruments payable from deposits in or payable at such banks;

D. C. teachers: H. R. 4381, to provide sick and emergency leave for D. C. teachers and attendance officers;

D. C. policemen and firemen: H. R. 2021, to increase pension for widows and children of deceased and retired members of D. C. Police and Fire Departments;

Indians: H. J. Res. 33, purchase of certain Indian lands by U. S. from Three Affiliated Tribes of Fort Berthold Reservation, N. Dak.; and

Private bills: Four private bills: H. R. 3127, 623, 599, and 578.

Without amendment and cleared for House:

Coins: S. 1069, to amend section 3552 of R. S., dealing with bullion and metal and proof coins, relating to the covering into the Treasury of moneys arising from charges and deductions;

Land Transfer: S. 1859, to transfer certain land at Chillicothe, Ohio, from the VA to the Bureau of Prisons;

Amputee automobiles: S. 2115, to authorize payments by the VA on purchase of automobiles or other conveyances by certain disabled veterans;

Public-health research: S. Con. Res. 17, expressing the sense of Congress that research on family aspects of chronic illnesses should be intensified;

Indian school: S. 2086, transferring management of certain public lands from Department of Agriculture to the Fort Sill Indian School, Okla.; and

Private bills: Eight bills: S. Con. Res. 48, S. 377, 905, 976, 1394, 1924, 1330, and 1361.

With amendment and cleared for House:

Indians: S. 1323, to declare that the U. S. holds certain lands in trust for the Pueblo Indians and the Canoncito Navajo group in New Mexico;

D. C. contracting officers: S. 1918, to authorize D. C. contracting officers to make contracts in amounts not exceeding $5,000;

San Francisco lands: S. 863, conveyance of certain lands to city and county of San Francisco;

Commander Rawlins: S. 780, to provide for relief of Commander Edward White Rawlins, USN;

Condemned material: S. 1990, to amend section 429 of Revised Statutes so as to eliminate the requirement of detailed annual reports to Congress concerning proceeds of sales of condemned material;

Inter-American affairs: S. 1250, to continue Institute of Inter-American Affairs;

Cotton quotas: S. 1962, to amend the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938 with respect to cotton marketing quota provisions;

Oil contracts: S. 1647, to eliminate premium payments in the purchase of Government royalty oil under existing contracts entered into pursuant to the act of July 13, 1946;

Civil-service retirement: S. 1440, to amend the Civil Service Retirement Act to provide for payment of annuities to widows of retired employees without reduction in the annuities of such employees;

Indians: S. 1407, to promote rehabilitation of Navajo and Hopi Indian Tribes; and

Private bills: Seven private bills: S. 111, 317, 330, 520, 507, 563, and 784.

Simple resolution adopted:

Counsel fees: S. Res. 127, to pay counsel fees incurred in the Maryland senatorial contest in 1947.

Pages 8905–8945

North Atlantic Pact: Senate also debated North Atlantic Pact. Pages 8891–8904

Confirmations: The nominations of Jess Larson, of Oklahoma, to be Administrator for General Services and James H. Flanagan to be a member of D. C. Public Utilities Commission were confirmed. Page 8947

Committee Meetings

HOGS

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Subcommittee concluded hearings on S. 1721, to provide price support for hogs, after receiving testimony from Senators Thomas of Oklahoma and Butler; Hassil Schenck, representing American Farm Bureau Federation, and president of Indiana Farm Bureau; and J. E. Thompson, president, Reliable Packing Co., Chicago. Senator Thomas recommended that the bill be amended to broaden authority to include other commodities. Senator Butler, Mr. Schenck, and Mr. Thompson testified in opposition to the bill.

INDEPENDENT OFFICES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Committee met again in executive session to continue its consideration for reporting to the Senate H. R. 4177, independent offices appropriations for 1950, but did not conclude its work. Meets again tomorrow.

INTERIOR APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee met again in executive session to mark up for reporting to the full committee H. R. 3838, Interior appropriations for 1950. Subcommittee meets again tomorrow.

ARMED SERVICES PAY BILL

Committee on Armed Services: Committee, in executive session, concluded its section-by-section analysis of H. R. 5007, to provide increased pay, allowances, and physical-disability retirement for members of the uniformed services. Committee will meet again on July 12 to consider the bill in its entirety.

ARMED SERVICES RETIREMENT

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee heard testimony in support of S. 718 and S. 719, relative to restoring to the active list certain retired Army and Air Force officers, from Capt. Thomas J. Jackson; and Admiral Harry G. Hamlet, USN (retired), president, and Capt. F. O. Willenbucher, USN (retired), executive vice president, both of the Retired Officers Association. Col. Robert Mansfield and Col. Phil Hooper, representing the National Military Establishment, appeared in opposition to the bills.

Brig. Gen. E. A. Evans, executive vice president, Reserve Officers Association of U. S., and Commander David Martineau appeared before the subcommittee to testify in support of S. 1698, to extend from June 29, 1948, to July 1, 1949, the time after which Reserve personnel will be required to earn 50 points per year to have that year credited for retirement purposes.

D. C. BILLS AND NOMINATION

Committee on the District of Columbia: In executive session, the committee took the following actions:

Reported favorably for Senate confirmation the nomination of James H. Flanagan to be a member of the D. C Public Utilities Commission.

Voted to report without amendment S. 1128, to amend act regulating practice of podiatry in the D. C.; S. 1525, providing for appointment of deputy disbursing officer and assistant disbursing officers for the D C.; S. 1870, prohibiting the sale of rockfish weighing more than 15 pounds in the D C.; S. 1490, to permit investment of funds of insurance companies organized within the D. C.; S 2135, to obviate the necessity for residence in the D. C. and permit members of the Commission on Mental Health to reside in the metropolitan area; H. R. 2799, regulating the retent on contracts with the D. C ; H. R. 4705, transferring certain offices from the government of the D. C. to the Administrative Office of the U. S. Courts; H. R. 2437, revising salaries of teachers, school officers, and other employees of the Board of Education; and H. R. 3368, to increase the maximum sum allowable by the court out of the assets of a deceased estate as a preferred charge for funeral expenses.

Voted to report with amendment S. 1350, providing an additional judge for the D. C juvenile court; and S. 1931, development of parks and playgrounds for the D. C.

FCC NOMINATION

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Edward M. Webster appeared in behalf of his own nomination to reappointment as a member of the Federal Communications Commission. Hearings may continue tomorrow.

RAILROAD COMMUNICATIONS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee concluded hearings on S. 238, to require certain railroads to install communications systems and to establish operating and safety rules for operation of trains, after receiving testimony from ICC Commissioners Johnson, Splawn, and Patterson, who presented the attitude of the Commission to this proposed legislation.

VETERANS—CHIROPRACTORS

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee held hearings on S. 2025, authorizing appointment of chiropractors in the VA, with the following witnesses testifying in support of the bill: Omar B. Ketchum, VFW; Charles Foster, DAV; and Dr. John J. Nugent, National Chiropractic Association, New Haven. Don C. Knapp and Dr. H. A. Press, both of the VA, presented an analysis of the bill by the VA. Subcommittee meets again July 11.

ELECTION CONTESTS, GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS, BUDGETARY MATTERS, PALEONTOLOGICAL INVESTIGATIONS, CAPITOL FRIEZE, AND PRINTING

Committee on Rules and Administration: Committee, in executive session, took the following actions:

Considered but reached no decision on the Texas and Oklahoma senatorial election contests. No date was set for another meeting.

Ordered reported favorably with amendment S. Con. Res. 18, to provide for consolidation of all general appropriation bills into one "general consolidated" appropriation measure; the amendment would authorize the chairman of either the House or Senate Appropriations Committee to request at any time that the Secretary of the Treasury transmit a current estimate of the over-all Federal receipts for the ensuing fiscal year.

Ordered favorably reported without amendment S. Res. 116, authorizing printing of additional copies of report of subcommittee of Joint Committee on Economic Report.

Ordered reported with amendment H. R. 2290, to provide for cooperation by Smithsonian Institution with State, educational, and scientific organizations for continuing paleontological investigations in areas which will be flooded by construction of Government dams; the amendment would increase from $5,000 to $10,000 the amount allowed each such State agency or educational institution or scientific organization.

H. J. Res. 21 and S. J. Res. 82, to use a portion of the frieze of the Capitol rotunda to depict the story of aviation, were referred to the Joint Committee on the Library for study. S. Con. Res. 38, to amend the Congressional Reorganization Act relating to budgetary matters, was referred to a subcommittee consisting of Senators Hunt, Withers, and Lodge for study and report.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Fourteen public bills, H. R. 5503–5516; nine private bills, H. R. 5517–5525; and seven resolutions, H. J. Res. 289–293, and H. Con. Res. 99–100, were introduced. Pages 8997–8998

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. R. 5268, to amend the Internal Revenue Code to remove certain inequalities or hardships in the present Federal tax laws (H. Rept. 920, pt. 2);

H. R. 5472, authorizing the construction, repair, and preservation of certain public works on rivers and harbors for navigation and flood control (H. Rept. 969);

S. 255, to amend sec. 205 of Interstate Commerce Act relating to joint boards (H. Rept. 970);

S. 256, an omnibus bill to amend the Interstate Commerce Act (H. Rept. 971);

H. R. 3940, to amend Civil Aeronautics Act of 1938 to regulate the transportation, packing, marking, and description of explosives and other dangerous articles (H. Rept. 972);

H. R. 4442, transfer of Vigo ordnance lands, Indiana, for prison purposes (H. Rept. 973);

H. R. 5184, to approve contracts negotiated with certain irrigation districts and to authorize their execution (H. Rept. 974); and

Conference report on S. 1070, to establish a national housing policy (H. Rept. 975). Page 8997

Consent Calendar: Passed the following bills on the call of the Consent Calendar:

Cleared for the President:

Panama Railroad: S. 1168, tort claims against the Panama Railroad.

Retirement: S. 1359, in lieu of H. R. 3445, to extend benefits of Civil Service Retirement Act to officers and employees of the Alaska Railroad Company and the Panama Canal Zone.

Medical Corps promotions: S. 1688, in lieu of H. R. 4449, to provide for certain adjustments on the promotion list of the Medical Service Corps of the Regular Army.

Sent to the Senate without amendment:

Merchant Marine Academy: H. R. 242, to provide for conferring of degree of bachelor of science upon graduates of U. S. Merchant Marine Academy.

Military leave: H. R. 2572, to extend to commissioned officers of the Coast and Geodetic Survey the provisions of the Armed Forces Leave Act of 1946.

Wyoming school lands: H. R. 2678, to permit the leasing of school lands within Wyoming for mineral purposes for terms in excess of 10 years.

Fort Niagara, N. Y.: H. R. 4073, to convey to State of New York certain historic property in Fort Niagara State Park.

Indians: H. R. 4755, to authorize the appointment of an Advisory Committee on Indian Affairs.

Idaho: H. R. 4943, to increase the period for which leases may be made of public lands granted to the State of Idaho for educational purposes.

Supreme Court: H. R. 4948, relating to the policing of the building and grounds of the Supreme Court of the United States.

Sent to the Senate, amended:

Alaskan courts: S. 70, relative to court procedure in Alaska.

Juror fees: S. 1042, relating to payment of fees, expenses, and costs of jurors.

Vice President: H. J. Res. 188, to provide for the coinage of a medal in recognition of the distinguished services of Vice President Alben W. Barkley.

Mineral resources: H. R. 388, to permit the mining, development, and utilization of the mineral resources of all public lands withdrawn or reserved for power development.

BAI overtime: H. R. 459, to authorize the payment of employees of the Bureau of Animal Industry for overtime duty performed at establishments which prepare virus, serum, toxin, or analogous products for use in the treatment of domestic animals.

California Indians: H. R. 1354, to provide for a per capita payment from funds in the Treasury of U. S. to the credit of the Indians of California.

PO employees: H. R. 1516, automatic promotions for part-time employees in the custodial service of the Post Office Department.

Hot Springs, Ark.: H. R. 1726, to convey to the city of Hot Springs National Park, Ark., a perpetual easement for the construction and operation of a water-main pipe line.

Land conveyance: H. R. 2517, directing the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain land to Palm Beach County, Fla.

Indian competency: H. R. 2724, to provide a degree of competency for U. S. Indians in certain cases.

Polson, Mont.: H. R. 2869, to authorize an appropriation in aid of a system of drainage and sanitation for the city of Polson, Mont.

Power projects consolidation: H. R. 2984, to consolidate the Parker Dam power project and the Davis Dam project.

Bridge replacements: H. R. 3285, to authorize the replacement and reconstruction by the Bureau of Reclamation of certain bridges across the Franklin Canal in El Paso, Tex., and authorizing an appropriation therefor.

Night-pay differential: H. R. 3383, basing Federal employees' compensation for night work on either standard or daylight saving time.

Land conveyance: H. R. 3589, to convey to the city of Miles City, Mont., certain lands in Custer County, Mont., for use as an industrial site.

Petersburg Park, Va.: H. R. 4208, to add certain surplus lands to Petersburg National Park, Va., to define the boundaries thereof, and for other purposes.

Indian taxes: H. R. 4353, refund of certain taxes illegally paid by Indians.

Klamath County, Oreg., schools: H. R. 4510, funds for the Klamath County, Oreg., School Board for Indian and non-Indian children without discrimination.

Government travel allowance: H. R. 4875, relative to travel expense allowances for Government employee witnesses.

Indian land taxation: H. R. 5034, to authorize the taxation of Indian land holdings in Lodge Grass, Mont., to assist in financing a municipal water supply and sewerage system.

Historic sites: H. R. 5170, to facilitate public participation in the preservation of sites, buildings, and objects of national significance or interest and providing a national trust for historic preservation.

Indian land jurisdiction: H. R. 5310, to confer jurisdiction on State of California over lands and residents of the Agua Caliente Indian Reservation.

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Land Conveyances: Under a unanimous-consent request the House considered and passed the following bills:

H. R. 5289, quitclaim deed of Palace of Fine Arts to county and city of San Francisco, Calif.

H. R. 5328, conveyance of northerly portion of Fort Funston Military Reservation to city and county of San Francisco, Calif. Pages 8964–8965

Georgia Judiciary: Passed H. R. 5287, to amend U. S. Code to create a Swainsboro division in the southern district of Georgia, with terms of court to be held at Swainsboro. Page 8965

Private Calendar: On the call of the Private Calendar the following bills were passed:

Adopted by the House: S. Con. Res. 21, 22, 24, 25, 27, and 40.

Cleared for the President: S. 113, 230, 322, 623, 980, 1138, 1167, and 1296.

Sent to the Senate without amendment: H. R. 588, 734, 1028, 1105, 1132, 1447, 1679, 1861, 2091, 2608, 3718, 3816, 4829, and 5205.

Sent to the Senate, amended: S. Con. Res. 23, H. R. 1038, 1493, 1864, 1979, 2239, 2344, 2475, 2602, 3598, 3618, 3667, 3768, 4306, 4854, and 5299. Pages 8965–8976

International Children's Fund: Agreed to Senate amendments to H. R. 2785, to provide for further contributions to the International Children's Emergency Fund, thus clearing the measure for Presidential action.

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Yugoslav Claims: After defeating a recommittal motion by 177 nays to 151 yeas, the House passed, by voice vote, H. R. 4406, to provide for settlement of certain claims of the Government of the United States on its own behalf and on behalf of American nationals against foreign governments. This bill sets up an International Claims Commission in the Department of State which will distribute the money held in trust by the U. S. Treasury for payment of claims against the Yugoslav Government to the various claimants. This same Commission will handle the claims against other countries as they are settled.

Prior to passage the House adopted an amendment deleting language from the bill that permitted the Commission to allow more than 10 percent to claimants' attorneys when the Commission deemed it reasonable.

Also adopted all committee amendments.

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Pricing Practices: Adopted H. Res. 277, providing for the consideration of, and 3 hours of general debate on, S. 1008, to define the application of the Federal Trade Commission Act and the Clayton Act to certain pricing practices. After spending some time in debate the House postponed further consideration of the bill until tomorrow. Pages 8982–8997

Committee Meetings

COTTON MARKETING QUOTAS

Committee on Agriculture: The Pace Subcommittee on Cotton continued consideration of H. R. 5392, to amend the cotton marketing quota provisions of the Agricultural Adjustment Act. Representative Bennett of Florida, speaking in regard to long-staple cotton, requested the inclusion of long-staple varieties in the cotton quota and support legislation in view of changing circumstances. Dr. C. R. Sayre, representing the Beltwide Cotton Committee, which group was selected at a cotton conference in Memphis, Tenn., presented recommendations on various sections of the bill under question and answered questions of the subcommittee. H. L. Wingate, chairman of the cotton committee, also appeared. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

DEFENSE ESTABLISHMENT

Committee on Armed Services: Secretary of Defense Johnson testified in support of S. 1843, to convert the National Military Establishment into an executive department to be known as the Department of Defense, and establish the authority of its Secretary. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

UNION PRACTICES

Committee on Education and Labor: The Jacobs subcommittee resumed hearings studying undemocratic processes in unions. Testimony concerning conditions in the International Printing Pressmen's Union was given by Charles Rhines of Chicago, Ill., who was formerly a member of that organization. Other witnesses were J. H. de la Rosa, now president of the international union, and George L. Googe, a vice president. Jud King, of the Chicago local, was heard at the night session. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

INDIAN LAND TRANSFER

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Ordered reported to the House H. R. 4442. This bill provides for the transfer of Vigo ordnance lands, Indiana, for prison purposes.

INTER-AMERICAN AFFAIRS

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Special subcommittee on H. R. 2957, amending the Institute of Inter-American Affairs Act, relative to certain contracts, heard further testimony of Dillon S. Myer, President of the Institute. Also heard William L. Ellis of the General Accounting Office. Subcommittee recessed until next week.

AIR-MAIL SUBSIDIES

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: The Subcommittee on Transportation heard the testimony of Joseph J. O'Connell, Chairman, Civil Aeronautics Board, during an executive discussion on the subject of air-mail subsidies. Subcommittee meets again tomorrow.

NATIONAL HEALTH

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee on Public Health, Science, and Commerce considered title V, entitled "Grants to States for State and Local Health Work" (H. R. 4312 and 4313, national health bills), and H. R. 267 and 785, re local public health bills. Witnesses today were Dr. W. Palmer Dearing, Acting Surgeon General, accompanied by Dr. Joseph W. Mountin, Assistant Surgeon General, Associate Chief, Bureau of State Services, and Dr. Harold N. Graning, Medical Director, Bureau of State Services, all of the U. S. Public Health Service, FSA; Dr. D. S. Dukelow, consultant in health and fitness of the bureau of health education, American Medical Association, Chicago, Ill.; Dr. Vlado A. Getting, Commissioner, Massachusetts Department of Public Health, representing the American Medical Association; Dr. Haven Emerson, National Health Council, and National Advisory Committee on Local Health Units; H. B. Anderson, secretary, Citizens Medical Reference Bureau, Inc., New York City; Dr. Edwin L. Crosby, vice president, American Hospital Association, and director, Johns Hopkins University Hospital, Baltimore, Md.; and James G. Stone, director, program development, National Tuberculosis Association, New York City. Statements were submitted by Dr. Lloyd C. Halvorson, economist and secretary to interim committee on health, the National

Grange; Dr. John Ferree, director of public health, American Heart Association; Dr. Kenneth S. Landauer, National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis; and Mrs. Jack B. Fahy, executive director, American Parents Committee, Washington, D. C. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

COURTS—PATENTS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 4 heard Judge Oscar E. Bland, Court of Customs and Patent Appeals, in support of H. R. 2405, relating to procedures in the Supreme Court review of certain questions in customs cases before the Court of Customs and Patent Appeals.

In executive session, agreed to report favorably to the full committee H. R. 4692, amended, to provide for the extension of the term of certain patents of persons who served in the military or naval forces of the United States during World War II.

Subcommittee No. 2 discussed pending bills but took no action.

MERCHANT MARINE RESERVE

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Subcommittee No. 5, Mr. Garmatz, chairman, opened hearings on H. R. 4448, to establish and maintain a Merchant Marine Reserve. Speaking on behalf of the bill were Representative Potter, its author, and Frank E. Rack, port director, Merchant Marine Veterans of America, Inc., Bronx, N. Y. Opposed to the bill were Matthew Dushane, Washington representative, Seafarer's International Union of America; Seth Levine, research consultant, CIO Maritime Committee; and Capt. John W. McElroy, Merchant Marine Reserve, Navy Department. Adjourned subject to the call of the Chair.

FEDERAL AND POSTAL PAY RAISE

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: The Murray subcommittee heard the following Members of Congress who have introduced bills in this session regarding pay increases, promotions, leave, and other benefits for Federal and postal workers: Representatives Lyle, Fulton, McCarthy, and Keogh. Adjourned subject to the call of the Chair.

PARKS—HAWAII

Committee on Public Lands: Ordered the following bills reported to the House:

H. R. 3494, a private bill;

H. R. 4117, to remove present restriction relating to granting of privileges within Kings Canyon National Park; and

H. R. 4688, ratifying and confirming certain possession laws of Hawaii.

POTTAWATOMIE INDIANS

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Indian Affairs considered, but took no action on, H. R. 4726, conferring jurisdiction upon the Indian Claims Commission to hear and determine the claims of the Wisconsin Band of Pottawatomie Indians. Testifying in favor of the bill were Henry Jackson, secretary, Pottawatomie Indians; and Dorr E. Warner, Robert C. Bell, Jr., and Walter H. Maloney, all attorneys at law. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

BUILDINGS—FLOOD CONTROL—RIVERS AND HARBORS

Committee on Public Works: Ordered the following bills reported to the House:

H. R. 3071, to authorize Secretary of Army to purchase certain property in Morgan County, Ohio;

H. R. 3197, relating to sale of the old Louisville Marine Hospital, Ky.; and

H. R. 5356, land-conveyance bill, Stoughton, Mass.

Also considered H. R. 5472, and approved miscellaneous flood-control and river and harbor resolutions, with testimony being taken from Col. H. C. Gee, of the Corps of Engineers. Col. Wallace H. Hastings, also of the Corps of Engineers, was heard on H. R. 3071, and W. E. Reynolds, Commissioner, Public Buildings Administration, testified on H. R. 3197 and 5356. Adjourned subject to the call of the Chair.

D. C. COMMUNIST ACTIVITIES

Committee on Un-American Activities: Continued hearings regarding the Communist Party in the District of Columbia and heard L. C. Miller, manager of the Washington Cooperative Bookshop Association, and Tilla Minowitz, proprietor of the Superior Printshop. Also received testimony concerning possible perjury charges against Toma Babin, a previous witness before the committee. Hearings on this subject will be continued tomorrow.

VETERANS' BILLS

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Ordered the following bills reported to the House:

S. 266, providing for the payment of benefits to certain veterans previously declared incompetent;

S. 811, to provide retroactive awards of pension or compensation to World War II veterans who were prevented from filing claims due to isolation or capture by the enemy; and

S. 2010, extending the authority of the Veterans' Administrator to make leases, after the bill had been amended to provide for a 1-year extension to June 30, 1950, instead of the 2-year extension as provided by the bill as it passed the Senate.

Postponed indefinitely action on H. R. 4074, liberalizing hospitalization for Spanish-American War veterans.

It was agreed that hearings would be held, beginning July 14, on H. R. 3607 and 4898, concerning courses of construction training under the GI bill of rights. The chairman announced that executive sessions would begin on July 12 on the bills involving service-connected disabled veterans on which hearings were recently completed.

SOCIAL SECURITY—IMPORT DUTIES

Committee on Ways and Means: Ordered reported to the House H. R. 5327, continuing until June 30, 1950, the suspension of duties and import taxes on scrap metal. An amendment eliminating aluminum scrap from this bill was adopted. Also considered proposed amendments to the Social Security Act and will continue on this subject tomorrow.

Joint Committee Meetings

ATOMIC ENERGY

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: AEC Chairman Lilienthal appeared before the committee to make a general statement on management of the AEC project by the AEC since taking over control from the Manhattan Engineer District. Former Commissioner Dr. Robert F. Bacher discussed AEC reactor program and the general work of the Commission. Hearings continue tomorrow.

EMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT

Joint Committee on the Economic Report: Subcommittee, in executive session, reviewed materials on employment and unemployment trends prepared by its staff. Will meet again tomorrow.

HOUSING

Conferees on S. 1070, to establish a national housing policy, agreed to file a conference report on the differences between the House- and Senate-passed versions of the bill. Conferees accepted the Senate-approved figures on numbers of units and amounts of money authorized, with a limit of 200,000 housing starts in any one year.

Thursday, July 7, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate debated North Atlantic Pact.
Pricing-practices bill passed by House.
Independent offices appropriation bill voted reported to Senate.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 8998–9011

Bills Introduced: Fifteen bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 2202 to S. 2216; and S. J. Res. 114. **Pages 9002–9003**

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. J. Res. 114, to provide increase in the authorization for the Federal National Mortgage Association (S. Rept. 615);

S. Con. Res. 18, to provide for consolidation of all general appropriation bills into one "general consolidated" appropriation measure, with amendment (S. Rept. 616);

H. R. 2290, to provide for cooperation by Smithsonian Institution with State, educational, and scientific organizations for continuing paleontological investigations in areas which will be flooded by construction of Government dams, with amendment (S. Rept. 617);

S. 1490, to permit investment of funds of insurance companies organized within the D. C. (S. Rept. 618);

S. 1525, providing for appointment of deputy disbursing officer and assistant disbursing officers for the D. C. (S. Rept. 619);

H. R. 2437, revising salaries of teachers, school officers, and other employees of the Board of Education (S. Rept. 620);

H. R. 3368, to increase the maximum sum allowable by the court out of the assets of a deceased estate as a preferred charge for funeral expenses (S. Rept. 621);

H. R. 4705, transferring certain offices from the government of the D. C. to the Administrative Office of the U. S. Courts (S. Rept. 622); and

S. Res. 116, authorizing printing of additional copies of report of subcommittee of Joint Committee on Economic Report (no written report). **Pages 9002–9003**

Printing Resolution: Senate adopted S. Res. 116, authorizing printing of additional copies of report of subcommittee of Joint Committee on Economic Report, entitled "Profits." **Page 9002**

Bills Referred: Fifty-eight House-passed bills were referred to appropriate committees. **Pages 9003–9004**

Bill Placed on Calendar: H. R. 5328, authorizing Secretary of Army to convey certain lands to city and county of San Francisco, was placed on the calendar. Page 9004

Bill Rereferred: Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of S. 621, private bill, and it was rereferred to the Committee on Post Office and Civil Service. Page 9003

Bills Cleared for President: Senate concurred in House amendments to the following bills, clearing them for the President's signature:

Alaskan courts: S. 70, relative to court procedure in Alaska;

Juror fees: S. 1042, relating to payment of fees, expenses, and costs of jurors; and

S. Con. Res. 23, a private bill. Page 9034

North Atlantic Pact: Senate continued debate on North Atlantic Pact. Pages 9011–9033

Treaty Reported: Convention on International Recognition of Rights in Air Craft (Exec. E) was favorably reported (Exec. Rept. No. 9). Page 8999

Nomination: The nomination of Edward B. Lawson, of D. C., to be Minister to Iceland was received, along with one postmaster withdrawal. Page 9037

Committee Meetings

FARM PROGRAM

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Subcommittee opened hearings on S. 1971, proposing to enact the farm program recently recommended to Congress by Secretary of Agriculture Brannan, with Secretary of Agriculture Brannan testifying in support of the bill.

INDEPENDENT OFFICES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Committee, in executive session, voted to report to Senate with amendments H. R. 4177, independent offices appropriations for 1950. The report is expected to be filed tomorrow.

SAN FRANCISCO BAY BRIDGE

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee held hearings on S. 1390, land easements for San Francisco Bay Bridge, with the following witnesses testifying in support of the bill: Charles H. Purcell, California Toll Bridge Authority; George Burpee, consulting engineer; Ralph A. Tudor, San Francisco Bay Toll Crossing; Robert McCarthy, California State representative; Frank E. Marsh and Leland Kaiser, San Francisco Bay Area Council; Raymond D. Smith, San Francisco Real Estate Board; Donald M. Follett, Oakland Chamber of Commerce; Carl Froerer, city manager of Alameda, Calif.; and Curry W. Woodcock, Richmond, Calif., Chamber of Commerce. Hearings continue tomorrow.

RFC AND RFC LOANS

Committee on Banking and Currency: Subcommittee voted to report to full committee a revised version (an amendment in the nature of a substitute) of S. 1871, to prohibit the employment of RFC personnel by organizations receiving RFC loans.

The subcommittee in executive session also discussed the proposed loan to the Northwest Airlines with officials of the RFC.

D. C. EDUCATIONAL BILLS

Committee on the District of Columbia: Subcommittee heard Senator Kefauver testify in support of S. 1927, to provide flight training for students of D. C. senior high schools. Dr. Hobart Corning, Superintendent of D. C. Schools, and Norman J. Nelson, Assistant Superintendent of D. C. Schools, appeared in behalf of the Board of Education in opposition to the bill because of potential hazards.

The following witnesses testified in support of S. 2028, to permit the Board of Education of the D. C. to participate in the foreign teacher exchange program in cooperation with the U. S. Office of Education: Senator Mundt (in support of his own bill); Paul Smith, Office of Education of D. C.; Selma Borchardt, UNESCO; Irving Bryan, Assistant Corporation Counsel; Dr. Hobart Corning, Superintendent of D. C. Schools; Norman J. Nelson, Assistant Superintendent of D. C. Schools; Irene Silvey, American Federation of Teachers; and Col. Birch Bayh, president, Advisory Committee to Public Schools, and director of physical education of D. C. public schools.

KOREAN AID, AIRCRAFT, AND NOMINATIONS

Committee on Foreign Relations: In executive session, the committee discussed proposed aid for Korea, with State Department, ECA, and military officials.

The Convention on International Recognition of Rights in Aircraft (Exec. E) was voted reported favorably to the Senate.

The nomination of Jefferson Caffery, of Louisiana, to be Ambassador to Egypt, along with 25 routine nominations in the Foreign Service, were ordered favorably reported.

FTC NOMINATION

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Committee heard the following witnesses testify in support of the nomination of John Carson to be a member of the FTC: Rev. Wilfrid Parsons, Georgetown University; Jerry Voorhis, Cooperative League of the United States of America; and George J. Burger, National Federation of Independent Business.

The following witnesses appeared in opposition to the nomination: Pearson L. Linn, Bucyrus, Ohio; Rowland Jones, Jr., president, American Retail Federation, Washington, D. C.; Raymond E. Bell, Corbin, Va.; and Lyle Jones, National Small Businessmen's Association. Hearings continue tomorrow.

CLOUD MODIFICATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee heard Capt. Chester C. Ward, Navy JAG, and Earl Droessler, Office of Navy Research, testify in support of S. 1796, to indemnify contractors with National Military Establishment agency or Department of Commerce against claims arising out of contracts for cloud-modification research.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Fourteen public bills, H. R. 5526–5538; ten private bills, H. R. 5539–5548; and one resolution, H. J. Res. 294, were introduced. Page 9079

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

Fifteen private bills, S. 1080 and 1429, and H. R. 627, 752, 1474, 1631, 1666, 1799, 2594, 2628, 3193, 3300, 3494, 3726, and 3803 (H. Repts. 976–990, respectively);

H. R. 4688, ratifying and confirming certain possession laws of Hawaii, amended (H. Rept. 991);

H. R. 4653, a private bill (H. Rept. 992);

S. 266, to permit a refund of pension or compensation withheld from an incompetent veteran while hospitalized when released as a competent veteran, amended (H. Rept. 993);

S. 811, relating to retroactive pensions and compensation benefits payable to disabled or deceased veterans of World War II who were prisoners of war, amended (H. Rept. 994);

S. 2010, to extend for 2 years the authority of the VA Administrator to enter into 5-year leases, amended (H. Rept. 995);

H. R. 5327, to extend to June 30, 1950, the suspension of duties and import taxes on metal scrap, amended (H. Rept. 996);

H. R. 4901, to authorize Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians of North Carolina to lease certain lands for a period not exceeding 40 years (H. Rept. 997);

H. R. 5345, Agricultural Act of 1949 (H. Rept. 998); and

H. R. 4117, to permit the granting of concession contracts relating to Kings Canyon National Park on terms consistent with those granted in other national parks (H. Rept. 999). Pages 9078–9079

Pricing Practices: Passed, by voice vote, after rejecting a motion to recommit, S. 1008, to define the application of the Federal Trade Commission Act and the Clayton Act to certain pricing practices.

Adopted an amendment to a committee amendment that restores a modified version of the Kefauver amendment that bars absorption of freight charges to meet a competitor's price where it might substantially lessen competition. All other committee amendments were adopted. Pages 9039–9075

Committee Meetings

COTTON MARKETING QUOTAS

Committee on Agriculture: At today's hearings on H. R. 5392, to amend the cotton marketing quota provisions of the Agricultural Adjustment Act, the Pace Subcommittee on Cotton received the recommendations of the American Farm Bureau Federation from Walter L. Randolph, president, Alabama Farm Bureau Federation. Other witnesses testifying were W. L. Smith, Western Cotton Growers Association, California; J. H. Cardwell, Fresno, Calif.; Cecil Collerelle, Arizona; J. A. Sweet, New Mexico; John Taylor, Oklahoma; and R. Greenwell, Missouri. Subcommittee will continue on this subject in executive session tomorrow morning.

DEFENSE ESTABLISHMENT

Committee on Armed Services: Secretary of Defense Johnson concluded his statement in support of S. 1843, to convert the National Military Establishment into an executive department to be known as the Department of Defense, and establish the authority of its Secretary. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

HOME RULE

Committee on the District of Columbia: The Judiciary Subcommittee resumed hearings on home-rule legislation with testimony being furnished by B. M. McKelway, Evening Star; Philip Graham, Washington Post; Frank C. Waldrop, Times-Herald; Melvin C. Sharpe, President, Board of Education; Rufus S. Lusk, D. C. Tax Payers Association; Jerome B. McKee, American Legion; and David Watley, interested citizen. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

UNION PRACTICES

Committee on Education and Labor: The Jacobs subcommittee continued hearings on the study of alleged undemocratic practices in unions and received the views of Westbrook Pegler, newspaper columnist, concerning certain cases. Hearings on this subject were concluded.

NATIONAL HEALTH

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee on Public Health, Science, and Commerce continued hearings on national health bills (H. R. 4312 and 4313), and also the subject of school health services. Witnesses today were Representative Burnside, sponsor of H. R. 4660, school health services bill; Oscar R. Ewing, Administrator, Federal Security Agency, accompanied by Dr. Leona Baumgarten, Associate Chief, Children's Bureau, Social Security Administration, FSA; Dr. Cyrus H. Maxwell, Chief, Administration of School and College Health Services, Division of Auxiliary Services, Office of Education, FSA; and Dr. C. L. Williams, Assistant Surgeon General, Chief of the Bureau of State Services, Public Health Service, FSA; and Dr. Walter B. Martin, member, board of trustees, American Medical Association, Norfolk, Va.; Dr. Thomas A. McGoldrick, member, council on medical service, American Medical Association, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Dr. Herbert P. Ramsey, member, house of delegates, American Medical Association, Washington, D. C.; George J. Hecht, chairman, American Parents Committee, Parents' Magazine, New York City; Dr. Joseph M. Babcock, vice president, American Optometric Association, Portsmouth, Ohio; Dr. Milton Terris, American Public Health Association, Bethesda, Md.; Dr. Carl A. Troester, executive secretary, American Association for Health, Physical Education, and Recreation, department of the National Education Association, Washington, D. C.; Miss Selma Borchardt, Washington representative, American Federation of Teachers, Washington, D. C.; Francis W. Turner, secretary to Representative Burnside; Ben H. Gray, National Director, American Epilepsy League, Inc., Chicago, Ill.; James Watt, manager, Washington office, Christian Science Committee on Publications; and Dr. Joseph S. Wall, chairman, committee on legislation, American Academy of Pediatrics, Washington, D. C. Statements were submitted by the following: Representatives Mitchell (sponsor of H. R. 5284) and Bolling (sponsor of H. R. 4147); Dr. William C. Ezell, president, American Optometric Foundation, Spartanburg, S. C.; Dr. William G. Lennox, Children's Medical Center, Boston, Mass.; Mrs. Gertrude Folks Zimand, general secretary, National Child Labor Committee, New York City; Dr. Clyde A. Erwin, president, National Council of Chief State School Officers, Washington, D. C.; Dr. Vlado A. Getting, Association of State and Territorial Health Officers, Boston, Mass.; and Dr. Lloyd C. Halvorson, economist, and secretary to interim committee on health, National Grange, Washington, D. C. Hearings were concluded at this time, but may be called at a later date on other phases of health legislation.

PRIVATE CLAIM

Committee on the Judiciary: Ordered a private claim bill reported favorably to the House.

SHIPPING

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Subcommittee on Maritime Affairs gave further consideration to long-range shipping bills (H. R. 5346, 3940, and 4190), with testimony being received from Clifford E. Rishell, mayor of the city of Oakland, Calif., and Hoyt S. Haddock, executive secretary, and Seth Levine, research consultant, both of the CIO Maritime Committee. Subcommittee adjourned subject to the call of the Chair.

POSTAL RATES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Postmaster General Donaldson concluded his testimony on H. R. 2945, to increase certain postal rates, and was questioned at length by the members of the committee concerning his recommendations for increases in postal rates and fees. The group will work on the marking up of this measure next week.

INDIAN BILL

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Indian Affairs considered, but took no action on, H. R. 1537, to confer jurisdiction on the several States over offenses committed by or against Indians within Indian country. Felix S. Cohen, an attorney of Washington, D. C., testified on the bill and suggested certain amendments. Subcommittee adjourned subject to the call of the Chair.

RECLAMATION—INDIANS—ALASKA

Committee on Rules: Representatives Peterson, Miles, Fernandez, Welch, and Murdock spoke in favor of a rule for H. R. 3788, to authorize Secretary of Interior to construct, operate, and maintain Vermejo reclamation project, New Mexico.

Representatives Peterson, Murdock, Scudder, Welch, and Engle of California spoke in favor of a rule for H. R. 163, to authorize Sacramento Valley irrigation canals, Central Valley project, California.

Representatives Peterson, Morris, Welch, Murdock, D'Ewart, Fernandez, and Patten favored a rule for H. R. 5208, to promote the rehabilitation of the Navajo and Hopi Indians.

Representatives Peterson, D'Ewart, and Delegate Bartlett spoke in behalf of a rule for H. R. 940, providing public improvements in Alaska.

No action was taken and the committee adjourned until tomorrow morning.

D. C. COMMUNIST ACTIVITIES

Committee on Un-American Activities: Hearings on Communist activities in the District of Columbia were postponed because of executive matters and will be resumed on Tuesday, July 12.

SOCIAL SECURITY

Committee on Ways and Means: Held further executive consideration of proposed amendments to the Social Security Act and will continue on this subject tomorrow morning.

Joint Committee Meetings

ATOMIC ENERGY

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Continuing its investigation of the administration and policies of the AEC, the committee heard the following witnesses discuss the over-all management policies of the AEC and outline the work of the AEC at Oak Ridge, Los Alamos, and Sandia: AEC Chairman Lilienthal, AEC General Manager Carroll L. Wilson, Brig. Gen. James McCormack, Jr., Director of Division of Military Application, and Mervin J. Kelley, Dr. Norris Bardbury, and Clark Center, all of the AEC. Hearings continue tomorrow.

EMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT

Joint Committee on the Economic Report: Subcommittee, in executive session, approved a report on employment and unemployment which will be available to the press at noon tomorrow for Sunday release.

Friday, July 8, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

Both Houses cleared housing bill for President.
Senate continued debate on North Atlantic Pact.
Government officials pay-raise bill passed by the House.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 9079–9090

Bills Introduced: Ten bills and five resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2217 to S. 2226; S. J. Res. 115; S. Con. Res. 51 to S. Con. Res. 53; and S. Res. 133. Pages 9081–9084, 9127

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

The following private bills: S. Con. Res. 51, S. 555, 586, 787, 843, 1026, 1166, H. R. 1127, 1466, 1625, 1950, 2084, 2850, 3467, and 4804 (S. Repts. 623 to 637, respectively);

S. 1870, prohibiting the sale of rockfish in the D. C. weighing more than 15 pounds (S. Rept. 638);

H. R. 4177, independent offices appropriations for 1950, with amendments (S. Rept. 639); and

S. 653, to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938, including an increase of the minimum wage, with amendments (S. Rept. 640). Pages 9081–9083

Senator Dulles: Senator John Foster Dulles was sworn into office as a Senator from the State of New York to replace Senator Wagner, resigned. Pages 9080

Independent Offices Appropriations: Senator O'Mahoney filed three motions to suspend the rules and offer legislative amendments to H. R. 4177, independent offices appropriations for 1950. Page 9085

Housing: Conference report on S. 1070, to establish a national housing policy, was adopted, clearing the bill for the President. Pages 9113–9114

Alaska Court: S. Con. Res. 53, correcting a typographical error in S. 70, relative to court procedure in Alaska, was adopted. Page 9127

Federal National Mortgage Association: S. J. Res. 114, to provide increase in the authorization for the Federal National Mortgage Association, was passed. Page 9122

North Atlantic Pact: Senate continued debate on North Atlantic Pact. Pages 9090–9120, 9122–9123, 9127

Confirmations: Twenty-six nominations in the diplomatic service were confirmed, including that of Jefferson Caffery, of Louisiana, to be Ambassador to Egypt. Page 9128

Nominations: Seventy-nine Army nominations were received. Pages 9127–9128

Committee Meetings

INTERIOR APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee concluded marking up for reporting to the full committee H. R. 3838, Interior appropriations for 1950, but made no announcement of decisions made.

SAN FRANCISCO BAY BRIDGE

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee heard testimony in opposition to S. 1390, land easements for San Francisco Bay Bridge, from four witnesses: Elmer E. Robinson, mayor of San Francisco, and the following assemblymen of California: Richard J. Dolwig, Francis Dunn, Jr., and Edward M. Gaffney, all members of the interim fact-finding committee of the assembly.

FTC NOMINATION

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: The following witnesses appeared before the committee to testify in support of the nomination of John Carson to be a member of the FTC: T. Edwin Quisenberry, Chicago; Oswald Schuette, Washington; Eric Peterson, International Association of Machinists; Nelson Cruikshank, AFL; and Angus McDonald, National Farmers Union. Hearings continue July 12.

COTTON PRODUCTS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Senator Hill and Walter L. Randolph, president, Alabama Farm Bureau Federation, appeared before the subcommittee to testify in support of S. 124, requiring identification of cotton products.

PRIVATE IMMIGRATION AND CLAIMS BILLS, MEMORIAL DAYS, AND NOMINATIONS

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee, in executive session, voted to report favorably 11 private immigration bills, as follows: S. 555, 787, 1026, 1166; H. R. 1127, 1466, 1625, 2084, 2850, 3467, and 4804. It voted to introduce and report favorably an original concurrent resolution on deportation referral cases.

It also voted to report favorably S. 2083, celebration of one hundredth anniversary of the building of the Soo locks, and S. J. Res. 103, designating June 14 of each year as Flag Day.

The following three private claims bills were voted reported favorably: S. 843, 586, and H. R. 1950. Two private claims bills (S. 226 and 1737) were referred to subcommittee for study and report.

The following private immigration bills were postponed indefinitely: S. 383, 650, 751, 844, and 869. Committee also voted to postpone indefinitely S. J. Res. 91, relating to Father's Day, and S. J. Res. 101, designating March 30 of each year as "Shut-In's Day."

The nominations of Morgan Ford, North Dakota, to be judge of U. S. Customs Court, and John E. Sloan, to be marshal for the western district of Pennsylvania, were ordered reported favorably.

PRIVATE BILL

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee held hearings on S. 410, private bill.

VETERANS

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee, in executive session, voted to report, without amendment, S. 672, to provide educational benefits to veterans who enlisted before October 6, 1945, on the same basis as those who enlisted within 1 year after October 6, 1945; and, with a perfecting amendment, S. 1387, designating a veterans hospital at West Haven, Conn.

COLUMBIA RIVER VALLEY

Committee on Public Works: C. Girard Davidson, Assistant Secretary of Interior, testified before the committee in support of S. 1645, to establish a Columbia Valley Administration to aid in unifying water control, resource conservation, and development of the Columbia River, its tributaries, and surrounding lands. Hearings continue tomorrow.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Fifteen public bills, H. R. 5549–5563; three private bills, H. R. 5564–5566; and two resolutions, H. J. Res. 295 and H. Con. Res. 101, were introduced. Pages 9176–9177

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. R. 3071, to authorize the Secretary of the Army to purchase certain property in Morgan County, Ohio, amended (H. Rept. 1000);

H. R. 3197, relating to the sale of the old Louisville Marine Hospital in Kentucky, amended (H. Rept. 1001);

H. R. 5356, to convey certain land to Norfolk County Trust Co. in Stoughton, Mass., amended (H. Rept. 1002);

H. R. 2392, to provide for the liquidation of trusts under the transfer agreements with State rural rehabilitation corporations, amended (H. Rept. 1003);

S. 1278, to fix U. S. share of project costs, under the Federal Airport Act, involved in installation of high-intensity lighting on CAA-designated instrument-landing runways (H. Rept. 1004);

S. 1279, amending Federal Airport Act to provide that minimum rates of wages need be specified only in contracts over $2,000 (H. Rept. 1005); and

S. 1280, amending Federal Airport Act to limit to 10 percent any increase of the amount stated as a maximum obligation under a grant agreement (H. Rept. 1006). Page 9176

Housing: Adopted conference report on S. 1070, to establish a national housing objective and the policy to be followed in the attainment thereof. Pages 9129–9142

Private Bills: Agreed to Senate amendments to H. R. 623 and 3127, both private bills, thereby clearing them for Presidential action. Page 9142

Government Officials Pay Raise: Passed, by voice vote, after defeating a recommittal motion, H. R. 1689, embodying the committee substitute measure, to increase rates of compensation of the heads and assistant heads of executive departments and independent agencies.

Adopted numerous perfecting amendments and amendments to extend the provisions of the bill to several officials that were not covered.

Also adopted an amendment removing Commissioners of the District of Columbia from the provisions of the bill.

Rejected a substitute amendment designed to scale down the salary increases. Also rejected an amendment to delete language authorizing the President to increase the pay of chairmen or heads of boards or commissions in certain instances to $18,000 per annum at his discretion. Defeated an amendment to delay the date the act shall become effective to July 1, 1950.

H. Res. 274, making in order the consideration of H. R. 1689, was previously adopted. Pages 9142–9175

Committee Meetings

COTTON MARKETING QUOTAS

Committee on Agriculture: The Pace Subcommittee on Cotton held executive session on H. R. 5392, to amend the cotton marketing quota provisions of the Agricultural Adjustment Act. Will meet on this subject next Monday, July 11.

FUR FARMING—LAND TRANSFER

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee No. 3 considered H. R. 3043, relating to fur research, and heard testimony from the following witnesses: Joseph H. Francis, secretary, and Ronald G. Stephenson, vice president, both of the National Board of Fur Farm Organizations; Edward Lingenfeld, fur farmer; Charles E. Kellogg, in charge of fur-farming work, Department of Agriculture; and D. A. Spenser, Sheep and Goat Husbandry Division, Department of Agriculture. The representatives of the farm groups favored the bill and spoke of the need of funds for further research in the fur industry. The Department representatives outlined research plans in connection with the legislation.

Also considered H. R. 4641, authorizing the Secretary of Agriculture to accept title to certain lands in Plumas County, Calif., and heard Representative Engle of California, author of the bill, and Howard Hopkins, Assistant Chief of the U. S. Forest Service, who stated that the change would be mutually beneficial to the county and the Forest Service.

DEFENSE ESTABLISHMENT

Committee on Armed Services: Continued discussions on S. 1843, to convert the National Military Establishment into an executive department to be known as the Department of Defense, and establish the authority of its Secretary. Testifying on the measure at today's meeting were Gen. Omar N. Bradley, Chief of Staff, U. S. Army; Gen. Hoyt S. Vandenberg, Chief of Staff, U. S. Air Force; and Admiral Louis E. Denfeld, Chief of Naval Operations. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

COAL-MINERS' WELFARE

Committee on Education and Labor: The Kelley subcommittee held hearings on H. R. 3023, coal-miners' welfare bill. Witnesses heard were M. J. Mechling, U. S. Bureau of Mines, St. Clairesville, Ohio; Walter W. Holt, president, John M. Hirst Co., Cleveland, Ohio; D. J. Coneybeer, State mine inspector, Carrollton, Ohio; Stephen Williams, Chief, Division of Mines, Columbus, Ohio; and W. J. Symon and R. J. Kirk, Federal mine inspectors, U. S. Bureau of Mines, St. Clairesville, Ohio.

NATURAL GAS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Met in executive session and discussed H. R. 1758, to amend the Natural Gas Act relative to the sale of natural gas in interstate commerce. Will resume on this subject next Tuesday.

POSTMASTERS—SICK LEAVE

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Ordered the following bills reported to the House:

H. R. 5168, clarifying the compensation laws for postmasters at fourth-class post offices; and

S. 1459, to amend the Civil Service Retirement Act by waiving time limitations in the case of employees whose disabling condition is essentially chronic.

CANADIAN RIVER PROJECT

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation held hearings on H. R. 2733, to authorize the construction, operation, and maintenance by the Secretary of the Interior of the Canadian River reclamation project, Texas. Witnesses appearing were Representative Worley, author of the bill, who described its features; Representative Mahon; Wesley R. Nelson, Assistant Commissioner, Bureau of Reclamation; and Marvin Jones, Chief Judge, U. S. Court of Claims, for-

mer resident of Texas, who spoke in favor of the measure, along with the following residents of Texas, who also spoke in its support: Clarence K. Whiteside, chairman, Temporary Canadian Master Water Improvement District; Mayor Gene Klein, Amarillo; A. A. Meredith, city manager of Borger; Steve Matthews, city manager of Lubbock; John McCarty, president, Panhandle Water Conservation Authority, Amarillo; Rex Baxter, secretary, Chamber of Commerce, Amarillo; Lawrence Hagy, ex-mayor of Amarillo; C. A. Huff, mayor, city of Pampa; Fred C. Herbst, mayor of Borger; George W. Finger, commissioner, city of Borger; Joe Cooley, secretary, Chamber of Commerce, Borger; Winfield Holbrook, mayor of Plainview; Irving L. Jones, representative of Water Resources Board, Lubbock; E. K. Hufstedler, city commissioner, Lubbock; J. B. Huckabay, city commissioner, Slaton; Clay E. Bennett, councilman, Tohoka; Sam Richardson, mayor of Lamesa; A. C. Chesher, mayor of Littlefield; R. O. Stark, mayor of O'Donnell; and Kenneth Harper, mayor of Levelland. Subcommittee unanimously reported H. R. 2733 to the full committee, and adjourned subject to the call of the Chair.

ALASKA—FUR LABELING—FARM PROGRAM

Committee on Rules: Granted open rules providing for 1 hour's debate on H. R. 940, to authorize public improvements in Alaska; and H. R. 5187, the fur-labeling bill. Speaking on behalf of the rule for the fur-labeling bill were Representatives O'Hara of Minnesota, Wilson of Oklahoma, Crosser, and Wolverton.

Considered, but took no action on, a rule for H. R. 5345, the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1949, with Representative Cooley speaking in favor of the legislation. Action on this rule will be continued at Tuesday's meeting along with other bills pending before the committee.

SOCIAL SECURITY

Committee on Ways and Means: Continued in executive session on the proposed amendments to the Social Security Act and will resume consideration of this subject Monday, July 11.

Joint Committee Meetings

ATOMIC ENERGY

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Committee heard a discussion of conditions in the AEC by the following two members of the Industrial Advisory Group to the Commission: James W. Parker, president and general manager, Detroit Edison Co., and Isaac Harter, chairman of the board, Standard Oil Co. of Indiana.

Dr. Lee A. DuBridge, president, California Institute of Technology, also a member of the General Advisory Committee to the Commission, generally reviewed the AEC research program.

At the afternoon session, Dr. Enrico Fermi, Institute of Nuclear Studies, University of Chicago, also a member of the General Advisory Committee, discussed the general progress of the AEC program, and touched upon the AEC fellowship program. Committee continues July 11.

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HIGHLIGHTS

Senate debated North Atlantic Pact, and cleared bill on social security for seamen for President.

Puerto Rican farm-loan bill passed by House.

Foreign-aid appropriations, and bills on RFC, armed services, and picketing of Federal courts were ordered reported by Senate groups.

Bills on secondary mortgages, D. C. legislation, reclamation, and irrigation ordered reported by House committees.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 9177–9190

Bills Introduced: Nine bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2227 to S. 2235; and S. J. Res. 116 and S. J. Res. 117. Page 9183

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 1949, to authorize the lease of the Federal correctional institution at Sandstone, Minn., to the State of Minnesota (S. Rept. 641);

S. 2083, celebration of one hundredth anniversary of the building of the Soo locks (S. Rept. 642);

S. J. Res. 103, designating June 14 of each year as Flag Day (S. Rept. 643);

H. R. 195, to assist States in collecting sales and use taxes on cigarettes (S. Rept. 644);

H. R. 5114, to amend the Internal Revenue Code to permit the use of additional means, including stamp machines, for payment of tax on fermented malt liquors, and to provide for the establishment of brewery bottling house on brewery premises (S. Rept. 645);

H. R. 3905, to confer upon Commissioner of Internal Revenue subpena powers in cases involving the denial or revocation of industrial alcohol permits, with amendments (S. Rept. 646);

S. 1871, to prohibit the employment of RFC personnel by organizations receiving RFC loans, with amendment (S. Rept. 647);

S. 1803, authorizing attendance of Marine Band at Reserve Officers Association at Grand Rapids, Mich. (S. Rept. 648);

S. 1834, private bill (S. Rept. 649);

S. 2192, to authorize the adjustment of the lineal positions of certain officers of the naval service (S. Rept. 650);

H. R. 2418, to authorize restocking, propagation, and conservation of game in the Eglin Field Reservation (S. Rept. 651);

H. R. 4646, to authorize Secretary of Army to lend certain property of the Department of Army to national veterans' organizations for use in national youth tournaments (S. Rept. 652); and

S. 1939, to provide that each year of service as a member of a Reserve component prior to July 1, 1949, shall be deemed a year for purposes of retirement under the Army and Air Force Vitalization and Retirement Equalization Act of 1948, with amendments (S. Rept. 653). Pages 9178–9179

President's Message: President transmitted his mid-year economic report to Congress, which was referred to the Joint Committee on the Economic Report. Page 9178

Bill Placed on Calendar: H. R. 1689, to increase rates of compensation of the heads and assistant heads of executive departments and independent agencies, was ordered placed on calendar. Page 9183

Cigarette Tax: Permission was granted to file minority views on H. R. 195, to assist States in collecting sales and use taxes on cigarettes. Page 9179

Social Security For Seamen: Senate passed and cleared for the President H. J. Res. 287, to extend for 1 year to merchant seamen unemployment-compensation provisions of Social Security Act. Page 9183

North Atlantic Pact: Senate continued debate on North Atlantic Pact. Pages 9190–9214

Confirmations: Numerous miscellaneous nominations in the Army, Air Force, and Navy were confirmed. Page 9220

Nominations: One hundred and fifty-four nominations were received, along with two withdrawals, including that of Fred A. Canfil to be U. S. marshal for the western district of Missouri. Pages 9219–9220

Committee Meetings

FARM PROGRAM

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Subcommittee, continuing hearings on S. 1971, proposing to enact the farm program recently recommended to Congress by Secretary of Agriculture Brannan, received testimony from Charles W. Holman, the National Cooperative Milk Producers Association, generally in opposition to the proposed legislation. He offered proposed amendments to the Farm Program Act of 1948. Hearings continue tomorrow.

ALCOHOL FOR MOTOR FUEL

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: In pursuance of S. Res. 36, authorizing investigation of matters relating to crop production and utilization, subcommittee, on Saturday, July 9, heard C. H. Van Hartesveld, vice president, Vita-Meter Corp., Cleveland, discuss the proposed use of alcohol as a motor fuel. William H. Kennedy, Alcohol Tax Unit of Bureau of Internal Revenue, appeared before the subcommittee to describe the problems involved in use of alcohol as a motor fuel in relation to use of denaturants as prescribed by the Bureau of Internal Revenue.

FOREIGN-AID APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: In executive session, committee voted to report favorably to the Senate H. R. 4830, foreign-aid appropriations for 1950. As approved by the committee, the bill would appropriate $5,573,380,000, or $748,820,000 under the budget estimates. The budget estimates total $6,322,200,000. As passed by the House, the bill would appropriate $5,617,470,000.

As approved by the committee, the bill provides in addition a fund of $150,000,000, to be loaned through the Export-Import Bank. The House-approved figure could be obligated in a 10½-month period, while the Senate committee version provides for a 12-month period.

Of the total appropriations provided for in the bill, $4,628,380,000 is for ECA, $900,000,000 is for government and relief in occupied areas, and $45,000,000 is for Greek-Turkish aid.

Committee meets tomorrow on Interior appropriations.

ARMED SERVICE BILLS AND NOMINATIONS

Committee on Armed Services: The following bills were ordered reported by the committee in executive session:

With amendment, S. 273, to provide for enlistment of aliens in the Regular Army between ages of 18 and

35 for a 2-year period, after receiving testimony in support of the bill from Senator Lodge and Gen. J. Lawton Collins. (As approved by the committee, the bill would authorize the enlistment of 10,000 aliens instead of 25,000, and would contain provisions for reenlistment and citizenship. The aliens would have to be unmarried. It is expected that contents of the bill will be introduced and reported under a new number.)

Without amendment, S. 2192, to authorize the adjustment of the lineal positions of certain officers of the naval service; S. 1834, private bill; H. R. 4646, to authorize Secretary of Army to lend certain property of the Department of Army to national veterans' organizations for use in national youth tournaments; S. 1803, authorizing attendance of Marine Band at Reserve Officers Association at Grand Rapids, Michigan; and H. R. 2418, to authorize restocking, propagation, and conservation of game in the Eglin Field Reservation.

The committee also voted to report with amendment, after the subcommittee had reported to the full committee, S. 1939, to provide that each year of service as a member of a Reserve component prior to July 1, 1949, shall be deemed a year for purposes of retirement under the Army and Air Force Vitalization and Retirement Equalization Act of 1948.

Committee also voted to report favorably 413 nominations in the Army, Navy, and Air Force.

SAN FRANCISCO BAY BRIDGE

Committee on Armed Services: Continuing hearings on S. 1390, land easements for San Francisco Bay Bridge, the subcommittee heard the following Representatives of California testify in support of the bill: Representatives Johnson and Allen.

The following testified against the bill: Representatives Welch, Miller, and Havenner.

On Saturday, July 9, the subcommittee heard opposition testimony to the bill from T. T. McCroskey, O. H. Annann, and Oli Singstad, all members of the interim fact-finding committee of the assembly, and Thomas Brooks, chief of administrative office, San Francisco.

The following appeared in support of the bill: Ralph A. Tudor, San Francisco Bay Toll Crossing; Robert McCarthy, California State representative; and Leland Kaiser, Kaiser & Co., and representing San Francisco Bay Area Council.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

RFC

Committee on Banking and Currency: Committee agreed to report favorably a revised version (an amendment in the nature of a substitute) of S. 1871, to prohibit the employment of RFC personnel by organizations receiving RFC loans.

INDIAN BILLS

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Subcommittee met in executive session to consider the following Indian bills: S. 1383, to promote rehabilitation of Sisseton-Wahpeton Sioux Tribe of Indians; S. 1564 and S. 1633, to transfer control over Indian tribal funds to the Indian tribes; S. 1682, to promote the economic recovery of the Blackfeet Indians; S. 1690, to promote the rehabilitation of the Chippewa Cree Tribe of the Rocky Boy's Reservation; S. 1691, to promote the rehabilitation of the Gros Ventre and Assiniboine Tribes; S. 1830, to determine the assistance needed for economic rehabilitation of the Crow Indian Tribe; S. 1929, private bill; and H. R. 3974, to promote the rehabilitation of the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe.

The full committee meets on these bills tomorrow.

COURTS AND COAST GUARD

Committee on the Judiciary: In executive session, the committee voted to report favorably with amendment S. 1681, to prohibit the picketing of courts, and H. R. 4566, to revise, codify, and enact into law title 14 of U. S. Code entitled "Coast Guard"; and without amendment S. 1949, to authorize the lease of the Federal correctional institution at Sandstone, Minn., to the State of Minnesota.

PRIVATE BILL

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee held further hearings on S. 410, a private bill.

HAWAIIAN LABOR SITUATION, AND EMPLOYMENT DISCRIMINATION

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: In executive session, committee agreed to hold hearings on July 12, 13, and 18, on S. 2216, to authorize the President, under certain conditions, to appoint a board of inquiry with power to make binding recommendations with respect to labor disputes in trade between the U. S. and the Territory of Hawaii, and agreed to invite the following witnesses: sponsors of the bill (Senators Knowland, Morse, Cain, Ives, and Downey); Delegate Farrington; Governor of Hawaii Stainback; Cyrus Ching, Director of Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service; and a representative of each the employers and employees.

A subcommittee, consisting of Senators Murray, Douglas, Humphrey, Morse, and Donnell was appointed to study antidiscrimination in employment.

COLUMBIA RIVER VALLEY

Committee on Public Works: On Saturday, July 9, C. Girard Davidson, Assistant Secretary of the Interior, appeared before the committee to conclude his testimony in support of S. 1645, to establish a Columbia Valley Administration to aid in unifying water control, resource conservation, and development of the Columbia River, its tributaries, and surrounding lands.

Committee meets tomorrow to open hearings on general flood-control and river and harbor bill.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Twelve public bills, H. R. 5567–5578; ten private bills, H. R. 5579–5588; and three resolutions, H. J. Res. 296, and H. Res. 278 and 279, were introduced. **Pages 9223, 9224, 9242**

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. Res. 278, providing for consideration of, and 1 hour of debate on, H. R. 5187, to protect consumers and others against misbranding, false advertising, and false invoicing of fur products and furs (H. Rept. 1007);

H. Res. 279, providing for consideration of, and 1 hour of debate on, H. R. 940, to authorize public improvements in Alaska (H. Rept. 1008); and

H. R. 5533, to increase the mortgage-purchase authority of the Federal National Mortgage Association (H. Rept. 1009). **Pages 9241–9242**

Air-Lift Medal: Agreed to Senate amendments to H. R. 2737, to establish the Medal for Humane Action for award to persons serving in or with the U. S. armed forces participating in the Berlin air lift, thus clearing the bill for the President. **Page 9222**

Private Bills: Agreed to Senate amendments to H. R. 578 and 599, both private bills, thereby clearing them for Presidential action. **Page 9225**

Federal National Mortgage Association: Adopted S. J. Res. 114, increasing by $500,000,000 the mortgage-purchasing authority of the Federal National Mortgage Association, thus completing congressional action on the measure. **Page 9225**

President's Messages: Received two messages from the President.

In one he transmitted his midyear economic report to Congress, which was referred to the Joint Committee on the Economic Report, and ordered printed as a House document (H. Doc. No. 252).

Also received a veto message on H. R. 834, to amend the Contract Settlement Act of 1944 so as to authorize the payment of fair compensation to persons contracting to deliver certain strategic or critical minerals or metals in case of failure to recover reasonable costs, which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary and ordered printed as a House document (H. Doc. No. 253). **Pages 9226–9227**

Federal Farm Loans: Passed, by voice vote, H. R. 3699, to amend the Federal Farm Loan Act to authorize full participation by Puerto Rico and Alaska. This bill makes several amendments to the Federal Farm Loan Act designed to improve and make more effective operation of the Federal land banks as a cooperative banking system to aid farmers. Adopted committee and perfecting amendments.

H. Res. 266, the rule for consideration of H. R. 3699, was previously adopted. **Pages 9227–9230**

Noncitizen Claims: After defeating a recommital motion, the House, by voice vote, passed S. 937, to authorize the Secretary of the Treasury to effect the payment of four claims against the U. S. in behalf of foreign claimants. Adopted an amendment to delete from the bill one claim amounting to $3,024.38.

H. Res. 221, making in order the consideration of the bill, was previously adopted. **Pages 9230–9241**

Alaska Court: Adopted S. Con. Res. 53, correcting a typographical error in S. 70, relative to court procedure in Alaska. **Page 9241**

Committee Meetings

COTTON MARKETING QUOTAS

Committee on Agriculture: The Pace Subcommittee on Cotton continued executive consideration of H. R. 5392, to amend the cotton marketing quota provisions of the Agricultural Adjustment Act. Will resume on this subject Wednesday, July 13.

MORTGAGES, HOME BUILDING

Committee on Banking and Currency: Ordered H. R. 5533 reported favorably to the House. This measure amends the National Housing Act and the Reconstruction Finance Corporation Act to provide an additional $500,000,000 for operations of the Federal National Mortgage Association. Witnesses heard today were James L. Dougherty, general counsel, Reconstruction Finance Corporation; J. W. Considine, Comptroller, Federal National Mortgage Association; and Raymond M. Foley, Administrator, Federal Housing and Home Finance Administration. Mr. Foley testified in favor of the bill and stressed the importance of continuing the Federal National Mortgage Association program, thus making more credit available for private home building.

JUDGES—CORPORATIONS—INSTITUTIONS

Committee on the District of Columbia: Ordered the following bills reported to the House:

H. R. 1370, authorizing the appointment of three additional judges of the municipal court for District of Columbia;

H. R. 3343, to provide for the incorporation, regulation, merger, consolidation, and dissolution of certain business corporations;

H. R. 4749, requirements for membership on the Commission on Mental Health for the District of Columbia;

H. R. 4789, a private chiropractic bill; and

H. R. 4892, admission of certain patients to the home for aged and infirm in the District of Columbia.

INTER-AMERICAN AFFAIRS

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Mansfield special subcommittee, on H. R. 2957, amending the Institute of Inter-American Affairs Act, relative to certain contracts, met and heard in executive session William L. Ellis, of the General Accounting Office. Committee will meet again tomorrow at 10:30 a. m. on various bills.

RAILROAD COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee on Transportation met and approved H. R. 378 for reporting to the entire committee. This bill would amend the Interstate Commerce Act to require certain common carriers by railroad to install and maintain communication systems and to establish operating regulations and practices to promote safety of employees and travelers on railroads.

MONOPOLIES—IMMIGRATION

Committee on the Judiciary: The Special Subcommittee on Study of Monopoly Power, following an opening statement by the chairman, Representative Celler, heard Attorney General Tom C. Clark and Senator O'Mahoney. Hearings to be resumed Wednesday at 10 a. m.

Subcommittee No. 1 agreed to report favorably to the full committee six private immigration bills (House) and two Senate bills. Also, will report favorably S. Con. Res. Nos. 28 (amended), 29, 31, and 32, favoring the suspension of deportation of certain aliens.

FEDERAL AND POSTAL PAY RAISE

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: The Murray subcommittee heard Representatives Miller of California and Rhodes, and Delegate Farrington, authors of bills on legislation regarding pay increases, promotions, leave, and other benefits for Federal and postal workers.

RECLAMATION—LAND TRANSFER—IRRIGATION

Committee on Public Lands: Ordered the following bills reported to the House:

H. R. 2733, amended, to authorize construction, operation, and maintenance by the Secretary of Interior of the Canadian River reclamation project, Texas;

H. R. 4505, title to certain lands in the Pueblo of Laguna in New Mexico; and

H. R. 4986, irrigation charges on the Flathead Indian project, Montana.

Committee also agreed to certain amendments to H. R. 940, providing public improvements in Alaska, which will be offered by the chairman when the bill comes up for consideration on the floor of the House. These amendments were included at the request of the Budget Bureau. Committee will meet again tomorrow morning.

ROADS AND BRIDGES

Committee on Public Works: The Subcommittee on Roads approved the following bills to be reported to the full committee: S. 755, amended, relative to construction of a bridge over the Ohio River at Shawneetown, Ill.; H. R. 3478, to extend time for completion of bridge across Mississippi River at St. Louis, Mo.; and S. 1577 (and H. R 5048, a companion bill), to revive and reenact the act creating the City of Clinton Bridge Commission, operating bridge over Mississippi between Clinton, Iowa, and Fulton, Ill.

It was announced today that hearings on H. R. 4286 and 4287, to establish a Columbia Valley Administration, would be resumed on Wednesday, with Secretary of the Interior Krug testifying, followed by the Assistant Secretary, C. Girard Davidson, who will be heard on Thursday.

FARM PROGRAM—RETIREMENT—INDIANS

Committee on Rules: Considered, but took no action on, rules for the following bills:

H. R. 5345, the Agricultural Act of 1949. Representatives Cooley, Pace, Granger, and Poage were heard on this legislation.

H. R. 4295, providing extra benefits to civil-service annuitants who retired prior to April 1, 1948. Representatives Murray of Tennessee and Rees testified on this bill.

H. R. 5208, to promote the rehabilitation of the Navajo and Hopi Indians. The appropriation requested in this bill for the program was reduced from the amount as previously reported from the Committee on Public Lands. Representatives Morris, Fernandez, Miles, and Murdock spoke on behalf of the proposed program.

Committee meets again tomorrow to resume consideration of the rule for the national farm program.

SOCIAL SECURITY

Committee on Ways and Means: Resumed executive discussions on the proposed amendments to the Social Security Act and will continue on this topic tomorrow morning.

Joint Committee Meetings

ATOMIC ENERGY

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Continuing its hearings on the investigation of the administration and policies of the AEC, committee heard Dr. Alan Gregg, Chairman of the AEC Advisory Committee on Biology and Medicine, also director for medical sciences, Rockefeller Foundation, and Dr. Shields Warren, Director of AEC Division of Biology and Medicine, outline the accomplishments of the Commission in the field of biology and medicine. Joseph Volpe, Jr., AEC general counsel, reported on the management of the AEC project. He placed a number of exhibits in the record outlining the Commission's activities. Committee meets tomorrow in executive session.

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HIGHLIGHTS

Senate debated North Atlantic Pact.

House debated rural telephone bill.

Interior appropriations, and Korean aid, public lands, postal and civil service, census data, and various noncontroversial bills were voted reported by Senate groups.

Army and Navy personnel and retirement bills ordered reported by House committee.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 9243–9254

Bills Introduced: Eleven bills were introduced, as follows: S. 2236 to S. 2246. Page 9245

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 1350, providing an additional judge for the D. C. juvenile court, with amendment (S. Rept. 654); and

H. R. 4830, foreign-aid appropriations for 1950, with amendments (S. Rept. 655). Page 9244

Bill Referred: One House-passed bill was referred to appropriate committee. Page 9245

Foreign-Aid Appropriations: Motions to suspend the rules for submission of amendments to H. R. 4830, foreign-aid appropriations for 1950, were filed by various Senators. Page 9246

Marine Band: S. 1803, authorizing attendance of Marine Band at Reserve Officers Association at Grand Rapids, Mich., was passed. Page 9246

North Atlantic Pact: Senate continued debate on the North Atlantic Pact. Pages 9254–9288

Confirmations: Eighteen civilian nominations were confirmed, including that of Morgan Ford, of North Dakota, to be judge of the U. S. Customs Court. Page 9298

Nomination: One civilian nomination was received. Page 9298

Committee Meetings

FARM PROGRAM

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Continuing its study of S. 1971, proposing to enact the farm program recently recommended to Congress by Secretary of Agriculture Brannan, subcommittee heard Prof. John B. Black, Harvard University, express his views on the proposed legislation. Hearings continue tomorrow.

INTERIOR APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: In executive session, committee voted to report with amendments H. R. 3838, Interior appropriations for 1950. As approved by the committee, the bill would appropriate $590,685,911, an increase of $54,224,003 above the House-passed figure of $536,461,908. The regular and supplemental estimates on which the appropriations are based total $624,810,436.

ARMED SERVICES PAY BILL

Committee on Armed Services: Committee, in executive session, continued its work on H. R. 5007, to provide increased pay, allowances, and physical-disability retirement for members of the uniformed services, but did not reach a final decision on whether to report the bill. Committee continues tomorrow.

SAN FRANCISCO BAY BRIDGE

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee tentatively concluded hearings on S. 1390, land easements for San Francisco Bay Bridge, after receiving testimony in support of the bill from Admiral John J. Manning, and testimony in opposition to the bill from Paul Op-

perman, director of planning, James R. McCarthy, associate city planner, both of San Francisco, and E. B. Rouan, a citizen of Oklahoma.

KOREAN AID, RIO GRANDE BRIDGE, AND NOMINATION

Committee on Foreign Relations: In executive session, the committee voted to report a bill (to be introduced and reported) to promote world peace by providing financial aid of $150,000,000 to Korea, and authorizing the RFC to advance of that amount not to exceed $50,000,000 until appropriations can be made, after receiving testimony in executive session from Maj. Gen. W. E. Todd, Joint Chiefs of Staff, and Brig. Gen. T. S. Timberman, Chief of Operations Group, Plans and Operations Division of the Army.

Committee also voted to report without amendment H. R. 1360, to extend time for construction of free bridge across the Rio Grande at Del Rio, Tex.; and S. 2198, to extend time for construction of a toll bridge across the Rio Grande at Rio Grande City, Tex.

The nomination of Ed B. Lawson, of D. C., to be Minister to Iceland was voted reported favorably.

PUBLIC LAND, IRRIGATION, AND INDIAN BILLS

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: In executive session, committee voted to report without amendment S. 939, providing that certain lands withdrawn by an Executive order may be leased for exploitation of silica sand and other nonmetallic minerals only so long as such lands remain so withdrawn; S. 1606, authorizing Secretary of Interior to determine the validity of titles to lands under reclamation laws; S. 2042, providing for construction of irrigation facilities for water users on the Buffalo Rapids project, Montana; H. R. 2678, to permit the leasing of school lands within Wyoming for mineral purposes for terms in excess of 10 years; H. R. 2853 and H. R. 4261, private bills; and H. R. 5034, to authorize taxation of Indian lands in town of Lodge Grass, Mont., to assist in financing a municipal water-supply and sewerage system.

It voted to report with amendment H. R. 1892, to authorize Secretary of Interior to issue a patent in fee to certain Indian lands in Lake County, Mont.; H. R. 2877, to add certain lands to the Big Bend National Park, Tex.; H. R. 4510, funds for the Klamath County, Oreg., School Board for Indian and non-Indian children without discrimination; and H. R. 5310, to confer jurisdiction on State of California over the lands and residents of the Agua Caliente Indian Reservation in said State.

The committee agreed to postpone hearings on investigation of Bureau of Reclamation until July 19. It had formerly agreed to begin these hearings on July 11.

A subcommittee, consisting of Senators Murray, Downey, and Watkins was appointed to study and report back to the full committee on S. 926, to authorize appropriation in aid of a system of drainage and sanitation for the city of Polson, Mont.

FTC NOMINATION

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Committee concluded hearings on the nomination of John Carson to be a member of the FTC. Fulton Lewis, Jr., Washington, testified first, followed by Jerry Voorhis, secretary-treasurer, Cooperative League of the United States of America, who appeared in support of the nomination, and John Carson, who continued his testimony in his own behalf.

HAWAIIAN LABOR PROBLEM

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Committee opened hearings on S. 2216, to authorize the President, under certain conditions, to appoint a board of inquiry with power to make binding recommendations with respect to labor disputes in trade between the U. S. and the Territory of Hawaii, receiving testimony in support of the bill from Senator Knowland and Delegate Farrington. This concludes the witnesses for this week, but committee will hold further hearings on July 18.

POSTAL AND CIVIL-SERVICE EMPLOYEES, CENSUS DATA, MAIL, POSTMASTERS, AND VETERANS

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: In executive session, committee voted to report, without amendment, H. R. 459, to authorize the payment of employees of the Bureau of Animal Industry for overtime duty performed at establishments which prepare virus, serum, toxin, or analogous products for use in the treatment of domestic animals; S. 1231, to repeal limitations on pay of certain rural mail carriers; S. 1232, affecting equipment allowances of rural carriers; S. 1233, to amend the Civil Service Retirement Act of 1930 to give the annuitant choices in methods of payment; H. R. 142, to exempt certain persons from the requirement of paying fees for certain census data; H. R. 3512, to amend the Civil Service Retirement Act to authorize exemption of certain employees of the Library of Congress whose employment is temporary or of uncertain duration; and H. R. 3756, to provide that the annuities of certain Government employees engaged in enforcement of the criminal laws of the U. S. shall be computed on basis of their average basic salaries for any five consecutive years of allowable service;

And, with amendment, S. 1597, transportation of mail by air star routes; S. 2030, to clarify laws relating to compensation of postmasters at fourth-class post offices which have been advanced because of unusual conditions; S. 1937, amending Veterans' Preference Act of 1944 for retention in Federal service of employees who have suffered loss of an eye or a limb; and S. 660, to preserve equities of permanent classified civil-service employees.

S. 84, to amend provisions of the postal salary law by dividing rural carriers into 11 grades with salaries based partly on rates per mile per year and partly on a fixed compensation, was indefinitely postponed.

RIVER AND HARBOR PROJECTS

Committee on Public Works: Subcommittee opened hearings on a proposed general flood-control and river and harbor bill, with Maj. Gen. Lewis A. Pick, Chief of Engineers, making a general statement on flood-control and river and harbor projects, together with their accomplishments, status, and needs. Senator Robertson testified in support of the Quinby Creek and Norfolk Harbor projects, both in Virginia. Senator Stennis appeared in support of the Biloxi Harbor, Miss., project. Senator Tobey testified in support of S. 1147, to designate the dam now under construction near Peterborough, N. H., as Edward MacDowell Dam. Hearings continue tomorrow.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Twenty public bills, H. R. 5589–5606; and H. R. 5615 and 5616; eight private bills, H. R. 5607–5614; and five resolutions, H. Con. Res. 102–104, and H. Res. 280 and 281, were introduced.

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Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. R. 87, credit to veterans of World War II for time spent in military service toward promotion and salary in the postal service, amended (H. Rept. 1010);

H. J. Res. 2, proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States providing for the election of President and Vice President, amended (H. Rept. 1011);

H. Res. 280, providing for consideration of, and 1 hour of debate on, H. R. 4708, to amend the UN Participation Act of 1945 to authorize the appointment of U. S. representatives to the United Nations by the President (H. Rept. 1012);

H. R. 540, to restore leave for certain Navy and Marine Corps officers, amended (H. Rept. 1013);

H. R. 4050, to authorize advances in pay to personnel of the armed forces (H. Rept. 1014);

H. R. 5238, to adjust lineal positions of certain officers of the naval services, amended (H. Rept. 1015);

S. 1639, to amend section 1452, Revised Statutes, relating to Presidential action on the proceedings and decisions of Navy retiring boards (H. Rept. 1016);

Four private bills, S. Con. Res. 28, 29, 31, and 32 (H. Repts. 1017–1020, respectively);

H. R. 5508, amending reserve retirement provisions of Public Law 810 (80th Cong.) relative to service credit (H. Rept. 1021);

S. 1742, removal of restrictions on land conveyed to Porter Academy, South Carolina (H. Rept. 1022);

H. R. 4022, construction of a bridge across the Rio Grande River at or near Rio Grande City, Tex. (H. Rept. 1023);

H. R. 4986, to clarify section 4 of Public Law 554 (80th Cong.) relating to cancellation of certain unpaid interest charges concerning Flathead Indian irrigation project, Montana, amended (H. Rept. 1024);

H. R. 4762, to empower the courts to remit or mitigate forfeitures, amended (H. Rept. 1025);

H. R. 4025, to transfer control over Indian tribal funds to the Indian tribes, amended (H. Rept. 1026); and

H. R. 29, to amend Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938, to provide parity for tung nuts (H. Rept. 1027).

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Rural Telephones: Adopted H. Res. 267, the rule making in order the consideration of H. R. 2960, the bill amending the Rural Electrification Act to provide for rural telephones. Concluded general debate and read the bill for amendments before postponing further action until Wednesday. When the Committee of the Whole rose, there was pending a committee amendment restricting loans to States having a State regulatory body and requiring the obtaining of a convenience and necessity certificate from such body by the applicant. A substitute amendment for the committee amendment was next offered which would delete the convenience and necessity certificate requirement and make the State regulatory body find loans in the public interest before approving the loan application. Then a perfecting amendment was offered to the committee amendment, which was designed to prevent duplication of existing telephone services. These three amendments were pending when the Committee arose.

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Committee Meetings

FEED AND SEED LOANS

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee No. 1 voted that a clean bill be introduced by Representative O'Sullivan in lieu of H. R. 1316, 1394, and 1687, relating to

cancellation of interest and, in some cases, the principal on certain feed and seed loans.

DEFENSE ESTABLISHMENT—ARMY AND NAVY BILLS

Committee on Armed Services: Voted to defer further action on S. 1843, to convert the National Military Establishment into an executive department to be known as the Department of Defense, and establish the authority of its Secretary, until the committee completes the B-36 inquiry. Also ordered the following bills reported to the House:

H. R. 5238, to adjust lineal positions of certain officers of the naval service;

H. R. 540, to provide terminal leave pay for certain officers of Navy and Marine Corps;

H. R. 4050, advances in pay to personnel of Army, Navy, Air Force, and Marine Corps upon permanent change of station;

H. R. 5508, to amend the Army and Air Force Vitalization and Retirement Equalization Act of 1948, relating to retirement of Reserve component members;

S. 1639, Presidential action on proceedings and decisions of Navy Retiring Board; and

S. 1742, removing certain restrictions imposed on certain lands authorized to be conveyed to the trustees of Porter Academy.

Committee meets again tomorrow morning.

BANKING AND INSURANCE BILLS

Committee on the District of Columbia: The Subcommittee on Public Utilities, Banking, and Insurance approved for reporting to the full committee the following measures: H. R. 2554, relative to the limitation on unsecured loans; H. R. 3571, concerning common-trust funds and to make uniform the law with reference thereto; H. R. 3991, to expand the investment authority of domestic insurance companies in obligations of the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development; H. R. 4393, amending the Life Insurance Act of 1934 to effect uniformity with certain provisions of the Fire and Casualty Act; and H. R. 4394, to enlarge the field of group life insurance to make it comparable to laws in the States. Representatives of various credit unions were heard on H. R. 2554. Irving Bryant, Assistant Corporation Counsel, spoke on H. R. 3571 and 3991, with Davidson Sommers, of the International Bank, speaking on H. R. 3991. Albert F. Jordan, Superintendent of the D. C. Insurance Department, offered testimony on H. R. 4393 and 4394.

PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED

Committee on Education and Labor: The Kelley subcommittee held hearings on H. R. 3095, to establish a Federal Commission on Services for the Physically Handicapped. Testifying in favor of this bill today were Col. Robert S. Allen, Washington, D. C.; William J. Pachler, CIO Utility Workers; and Benjamin Berenstein, blind attorney, New York City. Speaking in opposition was Paul S. Barrett, president, National Rehabilitation Association. Statements on the legislation were submitted by Representatives Johnson of California and Lemke. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

BRIDGE—CHINESE STUDENTS

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Ordered reported to the House H. R. 4022, building toll bridge across the Rio Grande at or near Rio Grande City, Tex. Also considered, but took no action on, H. J. Res. 213, participation in bicentennial at Port-au-Prince, Haiti, and H. R. 5494, aid to Chinese students. Oliver J. Caldwell, Chief, Federal Programs Branch, Department of State, testified on the Chinese-student bill, on which a clean bill was ordered to be introduced; the bill will be further considered at tomorrow morning's meeting.

GAS—PETROLEUM

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Held executive meeting on H. R. 1758, amending the Natural Gas Act relative to transportation of natural gas in interstate commerce. Will resume on this subject next Tuesday, July 19.

The subcommittee on Petroleum and Federal Power met in executive session to again hear Col. G. H. Vogel, Director, Petroleum Division, National Security Resources Board, regarding military petroleum requirements.

PATENTS—ALIENS

Committee on the Judiciary: Ordered reported with amendments H. R. 3112, amending section 75 of the Bankruptcy Act, and H. R. 4692, amended, to provide for the extension of the term of certain patents of persons who served in the military or naval forces of the United States during World War II.

Also reported two Senate private immigration bills and six House private immigration bills. S. Con. Res. 28, amended, 29, 31, and 32, were also approved for reporting. These resolutions favor the suspension of the deportation of certain aliens.

ANNUITIES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Crook subcommittee approved for reporting to the full committee S. 1440 (in lieu of H. R. 4036), providing payment of annuities to widows of retired employees without reduction in annuities of such employees. Witnesses heard on this legislation were the following: Warren Irons, Chief, Retirement Division, Civil Service Commission; Jerome J. Keating, secretary, National Association of Letter Carriers; E. C. Hallbeck, legislative representative, National Federation of Post Office Clerks; William C. Armbrust, president, United National Association of Post Office Clerks; Paul M. Castiglioni, legislative representative, National Federation of Post Office Motor Vehicle Employees; Jesse V. Horton, legislative representative, National Association of Postal Supervisors; Robert Rice, president, Railway Mail Association; Thomas G. Walters, operations director, Government Employees Council; Col. Charles I. Stengle, legislative representative, American Federation of Government Employees; Walter Disbrow, national representative, Retirement Federation of Civil Service Employees; Lewis H. Fisher, general counsel, National Association of Retired Civil Employees; and Ross Messer, legislative representative, National Association of Post Office Maintenance Employees.

The Williams subcommittee approved H. R. 5465 for reporting to the full committee. This bill provides for the computation of annuities of employees paid on fee basis.

TERRITORIES—INDIANS

Committee on Public Lands: Gov. Luis Muñoz-Marín of Puerto Rico furnished the committee with a general description of conditions in Puerto Rico.

In executive session, the committee ordered the following bills reported to the House:

S. 1323, to declare that the United States hold certain lands in trust for the Pueblo Indians and the Canoncito Navajo group in New Mexico, amended;

S. 1330, sale of allotted lands on Winnebago Reservation, Nebr.; and

H. R. 4025, to transfer control over tribal funds to Indian tribes, amended.

The committee adopted amendments which will be offered from the floor when the following bills come up for consideration: H. R. 3275, for sale or disposal of certain submarginal lands on Indian reservations in Montana, North Dakota, and South Dakota; and H. R. 5208, to promote the rehabilitation of the Navajo and Hopi Indians.

RIVERS AND HARBORS

Committee on Public Works: The Larcade subcommittee considered river and harbor review resolutions and approved seven for reporting to the full committee.

UN—INDIANS—FARM PROGRAM

Committee on Rules: Granted open rule providing for 1 hour debate on H. R. 4708, authorizing the President to appoint certain representatives of the United States to the United Nations.

Considered, but took no action on, H. R. 5208, to promote the rehabilitation of the Navajo and Hopi Indians, and H. R. 5345, the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1949. Heard on the farm bill were Representatives Pace and O'Sullivan, who were in favor of the legislation. Representative Hope favored extension of the present law for one more year and stated he was not opposed to a rule. Representatives August H. Andresen, Murray of Tennessee, and Hill spoke in opposition to the bill and the rule. Will continue on this bill at tomorrow morning's meeting.

COMMUNISM

Committee on Un-American Activities: Resumed investigations of alleged Communist activities and heard testimony of Mrs. Elizabeth Sasuly, Washington representatives for the Food, Tobacco, and Agricultural Workers of America, CIO. Committee meets again tomorrow.

VETERANS' COMPENSATION

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: In executive session, gave approval to draft of a bill presented by the chairman which would accomplish the following for service-connected cases: restore certain World War I presumptives from 75 percent compensation to 100 percent; provide increased compensation for veterans who have arrested cases of tuberculosis; provide a new disability rating schedule of $150 for total disability (this is an 8.7-percent increase over the present scale of $138); provide increases for widows with children ($25 for each additional child instead of present $15); reduce the requirement for additional compensation for dependents from 60-percent to 50-percent disability; and redefine the terms "willful misconduct" and "line of duty." The bill, which was unanimously approved by the committee, will be introduced today and considered for reporting tomorrow in executive session at 10:30 a. m.

SOCIAL SECURITY

Committee on Ways and Means: Considered proposed amendments to the Social Security Act in executive session and will continue on this subject tomorrow morning.

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HIGHLIGHTS

Senate continued debate on North Atlantic Pact.
House passed bills on rural telephones and Alaskan public improvements.
Senate Interstate Committee voted to report numerous bills.
Farm program bill cleared for House action by Rules Committee.

Senate

Chamber Action

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Bills Introduced: Twelve bills were introduced, as follows: S. 2247 to S. 2258. Page 9338

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. R. 4566, to revise, codify, and enact into law title 14 of U. S. Code entitled "Coast Guard," with amendments (S. Rept. 656);

S. 2030, to clarify laws relating to compensation of postmasters at fourth-class post offices which have been advanced because of unusual conditions (S. Rept. 657);

H. R. 459, to authorize the payment of employees of the Bureau of Animal Industry for overtime duty performed at establishments which prepare virus, serum, toxin, or analogous products for use in the treatment of domestic animals (S. Rept. 658);

S. 2198, to extend time for construction of a toll bridge across the Rio Grande at Rio Grande City, Tex. (S. Rept. 659);

H. R. 1360, to extend time for construction of free bridge across the Rio Grande at Del Rio, Tex. (S. Rept. 660); and

H. R. 3838, Interior appropriations for 1950, with amendments (S. Rept. 661). Page 9338

ILO: A report of Senator O'Conor on his mission as member of U. S. Government delegation to the thirty-second session of ILO, Geneva, June 1949, was received. Pages 9341–9343

North Atlantic Pact: Senate continued debate on North Atlantic Pact. Pages 9334, 9352–9381

Nomination: The nomination of Col. Roy H. Parker to be Chief of Army Chaplains with rank of major general was received. Page 9381

Committee Meetings

FARM PROGRAM

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: John Davis, National Council of Farmer Cooperatives, and Roy Grout, president, Beekeeping Federation, Hamilton, Ill., appeared before the subcommittee to express their views on S. 1971, proposing to enact the farm program recently recommended to Congress by Secretary of Agriculture Brannan. Hearings continue tomorrow.

MILITARY APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee reopened hearings on H. R. 4146, Military Establishment appropriations for 1950, to receive testimony from the following witnesses on the respective subjects: Senators Cain and Murray, Fergus Hoffman, Seattle Post-Intelligencer, and Delegate Bartlett on Alaska and national defense; AEC Commissioner Strauss and colleagues, and Admiral C. G. Noble, Chief of Ordnance, on AEC funds; and William J. Houston and John B. Murray, American Federation of Government Employees, George Riley, AFL, Stanley W. Oliver, president, AFL Technical Engineers, Architects, and Draftsmen, and Gertrude McNally, National Federation of Federal Employees, on Navy classification system. This concludes the hearings on this bill.

ARMED SERVICES PAY BILL

Committee on Armed Services: Committee continued its work in executive session on H. R. 5007, to provide increased pay, allowances, and physical-disability retirement for members of the uniformed services, but did not reach a final decision on whether to report the bill. Committee adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

FISH, VESSELS AND NAVIGATION, AIRPORTS, GEODETIC SURVEY, BUREAU OF STANDARDS, AND AMERICAN BUSINESS AND INDUSTRY DATA

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: In executive session, the committee voted to report with amendments H. R. 2740, to establish rearing ponds and a fish hatchery at or near Millen, Ga., after agreeing to report the contents of the following bills as amendments to H. R. 2740: H. R. 2501, authorizing a study of the shad along the Atlantic coast; H. R. 3046, to authorize expansion of facilities at the Cape Vincent, N. Y., fish cultural station; H. R. 961, to establish rearing ponds and a fish hatchery in the Upper Peninsula of Michigan; and H. J. Res. 202, relating to investigation and eradication of the predatory sea lamprey of the Great Lakes.

The committee also voted to report the following bills:

Without amendment, H. R. 2634, to permit Canadian vessels to serve temporarily certain Alaskan points until June 30, 1950; S. 2046, providing basic authority for certain Bureau of Standards functions and activities; S. 868, providing for the dissemination of technological, scientific, and engineering information to American business and industry; H. R. 3511, to declare the waterway in which is located the Brewery Street Channel at New Haven, Conn., a nonnavigable stream; H. R. 579, to permit the motor vessel *FLB–5005* to engage in fisheries; and H. R. 2572, extending to officers of the Coast and Geodetic Survey the provisions of the Armed Forces Leave Act;

And, with amendment, H. R. 162, providing basic authority for certain Commerce Department functions and activities; and S. 1284, to amend section 6 of the Federal Airport Act to reduce the amount of funds available for grants to the States from 75 percent to 60 percent.

FCC NOMINATION

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Committee held further hearings on the nomination of Edward M. Webster to be a member of the FCC, with Mr. Webster appearing in his own behalf.

PRIVATE BILL

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee held hearings on H. R. 637, a private bill.

HAWAIIAN LABOR PROBLEM

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Committee met in executive session to consider S. 2216, to authorize the President, under certain conditions, to appoint a board of inquiry with power to make binding recommendations with respect to labor disputes in trade between the U. S. and the Territory of Hawaii. Open hearings will be continued on the bill on July 18.

RIVER AND HARBOR AND FLOOD CONTROL

Committee on Public Works: Continuing hearings on a proposed general flood-control and river and harbor bill, subcommittee received testimony from Representative O'Konski in support of Bayfield Harbor, Wis., project; Representative Potter appeared in support of Cheboygan Harbor and River, Mich., project. The following witnesses appeared in support of Bradford, Pa., project (Ohio River Basin flood control): Senators Martin and Myers; Kenneth Meyer, Bradford District Flood Control Authority; Martin C. McIntyre, representing AFL; Bradford, Pa.; and Hugh J. Ryan, mayor of Bradford, Pa.

Col. Wayne S. Moore and Col. H. C. Gee, both of Army engineers, presented reports on the projects mentioned above, as well as on projects of Mississippi River at Rock Island, Ill.; Mississippi River at Hamburg, Ill.; and Baker Bay, Wash. Hearings continue tomorrow.

PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION, AND MEMORIALS

Committee on Rules and Administration: In executive session, committee agreed to refer the following bills to subcommittee for study and report: S. Res. 132, investigation of problems involved in Federal financing of Presidential election campaigns, to the Subcommittee on Privileges and Elections, with provision that Senator Lodge, author of the resolution, be permitted to participate with the subcommittee;

S. J. Res. 117, authorizing a memorial for Mohandas K. Gandhi, to the Joint Committee on the Library; and

S. J. Res. 43, to establish a commission to select a site and design for a memorial to the contributions of members of all religious faiths to American military and naval history, to subcommittee consisting of Senators Green, Gillette, and Ives.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Seventeen public bills, H. R. 5617–5633; six private bills, H. R. 5634–5639; and two resolutions, H. J. Res. 297 and H. Res. 282, were introduced. Pages 9403–9417

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. R. 5535, to amend the Philippine Rehabilitation Act of 1946 (H. Rept. 1028);

H. R. 5168, relating to compensation of postmasters at fourth-class post offices (H. Rept. 1029);

S. 1330, authorizes sale of certain allotted inherited land on Winnebago Reservation, Nebr. (H. Rept. 1030);

Eight private bills, S. 897, 1405, H. R. 1033, 2928, 3413, 3837, 5155, and 5160 (H. Repts. 1031–1038, respectively);

H. R. 5602, to provide for the relief of Chinese students in U. S. (H. Rept. 1039);

H. Res. 282, rule for consideration of, and 1 hour of debate on, H. R. 5208, to promote the rehabilitation of the Navajo and Hopi Indians (H. Rept. 1040);

S. 1459, to amend the Civil Service Retirement Act by waiving time limitations in the case of employees

whose disabling condition is essentially chronic (H. Rept. 1041);

S. 1323, to declare that the U. S. holds certain lands in trust for the Pueblo Indians and the Canoncito Navajo group in New Mexico, amended (H. Rept. 1042);

H. R. 5113, irrigation facilities for water users on the Buffalo Rapids project, Montana (H. Rept. 1043);

H. R. 5207, amending the Organic Act of Puerto Rico relating to the expenses of courts and judges, amended (H. Rept. 1044);

H. R. 5365, to provide for the transfer of the vessel *Black Mallard* to the State of Louisiana for the use and benefit of the department of wildlife and fisheries of such State (H. R. 1045);

H. R. 5232, to amend the Road Act of May 26, 1928 (45 Stat. 750), authorizing appropriations for roads on Indian reservations (H. Rept. 1046); and

H. R. 5372, settlement contracts of various Indian tribes (H. Rept. 1047). Pages 9416–9417

Fort Sumner, N. Mex.: House passed and cleared for the President S. 276, to authorize the rehabilitation of certain works of Fort Sumner irrigation district in New Mexico. Page 9384

Rural Telephones: Passed, 282 yeas to 109 nays, H. R. 2960, to amend the Rural Electrification Act to provide for rural telephones.

Rejected the substitute amendment for the committee amendment restricting loans to States having a State regulatory body and requiring the obtaining of a certificate of convenience and necessity from such body by the applicant. Adopted the committee amendment after it was amended to authorize the Administrator of REA to determine that in States having no such regulatory body the loans will not result in duplication of telephone service that is already adequate and reliable.

Rejected amendments to increase interest rate on loans from 2 to 3 percent and from 2 to 2½ percent.

Rejected an amendment to delete the 6 months' preference of existing telephone companies for loans.

Rejected an amendment to ban use of loans for acquisitions.

Also rejected an amendment barring use of condemnation proceedings in acquisition of facilities.

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Alaskan Public Improvements: Passed, by voice vote, after adopting committee amendments, H. R. 940, to authorize public improvements in Alaska. This bill authorizes the construction of the Eklutna hydrogenerating plant and transmission facilities in connection therewith and authorizes continuing investigations as to further possibilities for the development of the Territory's natural resources.

H. Res. 279, the rule for consideration of H. R. 940, was previously adopted. Pages 9404–9410

Bill Referred: S. 1803, authorizing attendance of Marine Band at Reserve Officers Association at Grand Rapids, Mich., passed by the Senate on July 12, was referred to the Committee on Armed Services.

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Committee Meetings

COTTON MARKETING QUOTAS

Committee on Agriculture: The Pace Subcommittee on Cotton resumed executive consideration of H. R. 5392, to amend the cotton marketing quota provisions of the Agricultural Adjustment Act.

MILITARY CONSTRUCTION—MARINE BAND

Committee on Armed Services: Considered H. R. 4766, authorizing certain construction at military and naval installations. Witnesses heard on this bill were Eugene Zuckert, Assistant Secretary of Air, and Lt. Gen. T. B. Larkin, Department of the Army, together with supporting officers from the various services. Will continue on this bill tomorrow morning.

Refused to take up H. R. 4581, to send Marine Band to Reserve Officers Association Convention at Grand Rapids, Mich., because of conflict with committee policy regarding the use of the Marine Band for such purposes.

PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED

Committee on Education and Labor: Kelley Subcommittee continued hearings on H. R. 3095, to establish a Federal Commission on Services for the Physically Handicapped, and heard testimony from the following witnesses: William D. Johnson, national legislative representative, Order of Railway Conductors, Washington, D. C.; Col. Melvin J. Maas, president, Marine Officers Reserve Corps Association, Washington, D. C.; and E. B. Whitten, National Rehabilitation Association. Hearings will be continued tomorrow morning.

REA—TVA—VA

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Representative Hardy, chairman of the Subcommittee on Government Operations, announced today that his group will conduct an official study of certain phases of the Rural Electrification Administration, the Tennessee Valley Authority, and the Veterans' Administration.

CHINESE STUDENTS—PHILIPPINE REHABILITATION

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Ordered favorably reported to the House H. R. 5602, a bill extending aid to Chinese students, and H. R. 5535, amending the Philippine Rehabilitation Act, relating to extension of authority to June 30, 1951. Committee will meet again tomorrow morning.

HOUSE AUTHORIZATIONS

Committee on House Administration: Ordered the following bills and resolutions reported to the House:

H. Res. 252, to provide $50,000 for expenses of studies and investigations for the Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments;

H. Res. 246, to provide $45,000 for expenses of studies and investigations for the Committee on the Judiciary;

H. Res. 254, amended, to authorize appropriation of $526.85 to be paid to the Congressional Hotel, Washington, D. C.;

A new resolution which will be introduced by the chairman authorizing the Comptroller General to audit receipts and disbursements of the Sergeants at Arms of the House and Senate, at least semiannually;

H. J. Res. 295, to erect memorial in the memory of Mohandas K. Gandhi;

H. Con. Res. 52, to print 250,000 additional copies of publications on communism released by the Committee on Un-American Activities;

H. R. 3417, to amend the act concerning cooperation by Smithsonian Institution with State, educational, and scientific organizations in U. S. for continuing ethnological researches on American Indians; and

H. R. 5188, regarding the one hundredth anniversary celebration of the building of the Soo locks, Michigan.

WITNESSES

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee on SEC, FCC, and FTC, concluded hearings on H. R. 4572, to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act relating to the subpena authority of the Federal Security Administration under the act. Witnesses heard were Representative Keefe, sponsor of the bill; C. W. Crawford, Acting Commissioner, Food and Drug Administration, FSA; Charles Wesley Dunn, New York City; H. Thomas Austern, Washington, D. C.; and Donovan Divet, attorney, Washington, D. C.

MONOPOLY—CLAIMS

Committee on the Judiciary: Special Subcommittee To Investigate Monopoly Power heard Dr. John D. Clark, of the President's Council of Economic Advisers, and Morris Ernst, an attorney of New York City.

Subcommittee No. 3 ordered reported favorably to the full committee 17 private claims bills; 3 will be reported adversely.

CANAL ZONE

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Adopted commemorative resolution relative to the death of Hugh A. Meade, former Member of Congress and serving as general counsel for the committee.

Also ordered reported favorably to the House S. 1136, amending the Canal Zone Code, and S. 1137, to revise and codify laws of the Canal Zone regarding the administration of estates.

FEDERAL AND POSTAL PAY RAISE

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: The Murray subcommittee heard Representatives Biemiller, Ribicoff, Herlong, Corbett, Kennedy, Battle, and St. George, authors of bills on legislation regarding pay increases, promotions, leave, and other benefits for Federal and postal workers.

MAIL WATER ROUTES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Thornberry subcommittee considered, but took no action on, S. 771, providing for renewal of, and adjustment of compensation under, contracts for carrying mail on water routes, and heard Representative Miller of Maryland; George Miller, Post Office Department; and Frank Russell, president, National Star Route Mail Carriers Association.

TERRITORIES—INDIANS—OIL

Committee on Public Lands: Ordered the following bills reported to the House:

H. R. 5113, reauthorize the Buffalo Rapids project, Montana;

H. R. 5207, amended, to permit the Puerto Rico Legislature to increase the salaries of supreme court justices in Puerto Rico;

H. R. 5372, amended, authorizing the negotiation of settlement contracts with Sioux Indians in South Dakota and North Dakota; and

H. R. 5365, transferring the vessel *Black Mallard* to Louisiana for use by State department of wildlife and fisheries. Speaking on behalf of this bill were Representative Larcade, its author, and Paul E. Thompson, representing Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior.

Considered, but took no action on, S. 1647, to eliminate premium payments in the purchase of Government royalty oil under existing contracts. H. J. Duncan, Chief, Conservation Division, Geological Survey, and Jacob N. Wasserman, Chief Counsel, Bureau of Land Management, both of the Department of the Interior, and Mr. MacBarash, attorney representing various small refineries, gave explanations as to provisions of the bill. Committee meets again tomorrow morning.

BRIDGES—COLUMBIA VALLEY ADMINISTRATION

Committee on Public Works: Ordered the following bills reported to the House:

H. R. 5048, reviving the act creating the City of Clinton (Iowa) Bridge Commission;

H. R. 3478, to extend the time for completing bridge across Mississippi River at St. Louis, Mo.; and

S. 755, extending time for completing construction of bridge across the Ohio River at Shawneetown, Ill.

In executive session, eight review resolutions were adopted calling for investigation of river and harbor projects.

Secretary of the Interior Julius A. Krug testified at an open hearing on H. R. 4286 and 4287, to establish a Columbia Valley Administration. He will continue his testimony at tomorrow morning's hearing.

NATIONAL FARM PROGRAM—INDIANS

Committee on Rules: Granted a rule providing 6 hours' debate and waiving points of order against H. R. 5345, the Agricultural Act of 1949. This rule makes in order as a substitute H. R. 5617, a bill introduced by Representative Gore. Representative Cooley requested 6-hour debate on the bill, and Representative Hill spoke in opposition to the legislation. Also granted a rule providing 1 hour of debate on H. R. 5208, to promote rehabilitation of the Navajo and Hopi Indians.

Representative Cooley also favored the rule for H. R. 2392, to provide for the liquidation of trust funds now held by the Secretary of Agriculture in the name of State rural rehabilitation corporations. No action was taken, and this rule will be further considered at tomorrow morning's meeting.

COMMUNISM

Committee on Un-American Activities: Held hearings on subject of loyalty of American Negroes and heard testimony of Alvin W. Stokes, committee investigator, New York City area; Rabbi Benjamin Schultz, executive director, American Jewish League Against Communism, New York City; George Hunton, executive director, Catholic Inter-Racial Council of New York; and Thomas W. Young, publisher of Norfolk Journal and Guide. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

VETERANS' COMPENSATION

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Unanimously approved and ordered reported to the House H. R. 5598, service-connected compensation bill. This measure carries the same provisions as noted in the Daily Digest of July 12 at page D477.

Refused, on a division vote, to report H. R. 5606, providing stenographic assistance to recognized veterans' organizations.

Committee meets again tomorrow morning.

SOCIAL SECURITY

Committee on Ways and Means: Held further executive consideration of proposed amendments to the Social Security Act. Will continue on this subject at tomorrow's meeting.

Joint Committee Meetings

ATOMIC ENERGY

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Committee met in executive session with members of the AEC for the purpose of discussing proposed legislation on the subject and to discuss the method of continuing the investigation of the administration and policies of the AEC.

STATE, JUSTICE, COMMERCE APPROPRIATIONS

Conferees on H. R. 4016, State, Justice, Commerce appropriations for 1950, met in executive session to consider the differences between the House- and Senate-passed versions of the bill, but did not reach a final agreement. Conferees meet again tomorrow.

ARMY CIVIL-FUNCTIONS APPROPRIATIONS

Conferees on H. R. 3734, Army civil-functions appropriations for 1950, met in executive session to work out differences between the two passed versions of the bill, but did not reach final agreement. Conferees meet again tomorrow.

Thursday, July 14, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate debated North Atlantic Pact.

House passed bills on fur labeling and Indian rehabilitation.

Senate Expenditures Committee agreed to hold hearings on two reorganization plans and reported airport bill, and Finance Committee agreed to report bills on importation exemptions with tax-administration amendments.

Bills on Haiti bicentennial, military fiscal management, and mail rates for blind approved by House committees.

Conferees agreed to file report on State, Justice, Commerce appropriations.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 9418–9474

Bills Introduced: Eight bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 2259 to S. 2266; and S. Res. 134. Page 9422

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 939, providing that certain lands withdrawn by an Executive order may be leased for exploitation of silica sand and other nonmetallic minerals only so long as such lands remain so withdrawn (S. Rept. 662);

Private bills: H. R. 2853 and H. R. 4261 (S. Repts. 663 and 664);

H. R. 5034, to authorize taxation of Indian lands in town of Lodge Grass, Mont., to assist in financing a municipal water-supply and sewerage system (S. Rept. 665);

H. R. 1892, to authorize Secretary of Interior to issue a patent in fee to certain Indian lands in Lake County, Mont., with amendment (S. Rept. 666);

H. R. 2877, to add certain lands to the Big Bend National Park, Tex., with amendment (S. Rept. 667);

S. 2042, providing for construction of irrigation facilities for water users on the Buffalo Rapids project, Montana (S. Rept. 668);

H. R. 5310, to confer jurisdiction on State of California over the lands and residents of the Agua Caliente Indian Reservation in said State, with amendments (S. Rept. 669);

H. R. 142, to exempt certain persons from the requirement of paying fees for certain census data (S. Rept. 670);

H. R. 3512, to amend the Civil Service Retirement Act to authorize exemption of certain employees of the Library of Congress whose employment is temporary or of uncertain duration (S. Rept. 671);

H. J. Res. 242, to extend for 2 years the existing privileges of free importation of gifts from members of the U. S. armed forces on duty abroad (S. Rept. 672);

H. R. 4510, funds for the Klamath County, Oreg., School Board for Indian and non-Indian children without discrimination, with amendment (S. Rept. 673);

S. 805 and H. R. 2678, to permit the leasing of school lands within Wyoming for mineral purposes for terms in excess of 10 years (S. Rept. 674);

S. 868, providing for dissemination of technological, scientific, and engineering information to American businesss and industry (S. Rept. 675);

S. 2046, providing basic authority for certain Bureau of Standards functions and activities (S. Rept. 676);

H. R. 2572, extending to officers of the Coast and Geodetic Survey the provisions of the Armed Forces Leave Act (S. Rept. 677);

H. R. 162, providing basic authority for certain Commerce Department functions and activities, with amendments (S. Rept. 678);

H. R. 2740, to establish rearing ponds and a fish hatchery at or near Millen, Ga., with amendments (S. Rept. 679);

H. R. 579, to permit the motor vessel *FLB–5005* to engage in fisheries (S. Rept. 680);

H. R. 2634, to permit Canadian vessels to serve temporarily certain Alaskan points until June 30, 1950 (S. Rept. 681);

H. R. 3511, to declare the waterway in which is located the Brewery Street Channel at New Haven, Conn., a nonnavigable stream (S. Rept. 682);

H. R. 4498, transportation of mail by air star routes, with amendments (S. Rept. 683); and

S. 1606, authorizing Secretary of Interior to determine the validity of titles to lands under reclamation laws (S. Rept. 684). Pages 9420–9421

Bills Referred: Two House-passed bills were referred to appropriate committees. Page 9422

Housing: Summary of the provisions of S. 1070, National Housing Act of 1949, was ordered printed as S. Doc. 99. Page 9423

Private Bill: Senate agreed to House amendment, with an amendment, to S. 937, private bill; the bill goes back to House for its concurrence in Senate amendment. Page 9423

North Atlantic Pact: Senate debated North Atlantic Pact. Pages 9426–9446, 9447–9464, 9466–9470

Nomination: The nomination of Edith H. Cockrill, of D. C., to be judge of the D. C. juvenile court, was received. Page 9474

Committee Meetings

FARM PROGRAM

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Subcommittee heard the following representatives of the American Farm Bureau Federation and presidents of the various State farm bureaus testify generally in opposition to S. 1971, proposing to enact the farm program recently recommended to Congress by Secretary of Agriculture Brannan, but also proposed various amendments to the 1948 act: Allan Kline and Romeo E. Short, both of American Farm Bureau Federation; Hassil E. Schenck, president, Indiana Farm Bureau; Warren W. Hawley, president, New York Farm Bureau; Walter L. Randolph, president, Alabama Farm Bureau; H. L. Wingate, president, Georgia Farm Bureau; Charles B. Shuman, president, Illinois Agricultural Association; J. Walter Hammond, president, Texas Farm Bureau; Delmar Roberts, president, New Mexico Farm Bureau; and H. E. Slusher, president, Missouri Farm Bureau—all of whom are also directors of the American Farm Bureau Federation; E. H. Agnew, president, South Carolina Farm Bureau; Joe Hardin, president, Arkansas Farm Bureau; R. Flake Shaw, executive vice president, North Carolina Farm Bureau; H. G. Blalock, president, Virginia Farm Bureau; F. H. Corrigan, president, Florida Farm Bureau; Frank W. White, president, Minnesota Farm Bureau; P. J. Donnelly, president, North Dakota Farm Bureau; John I. Taylor, president, Oklahoma Farm Bureau; and Ransom E. Aldrich, president, Mississippi Farm Bureau. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

REORGANIZATION AND AIRPORT PROPERTY

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: In executive session, the committee considered the seven reorganization plans submitted to Congress by the President, and unanimously agreed to hold hearings on Reorganization Plan No. 1 (providing for Department of Welfare to perform the functions and conduct the programs now administered by the FSA) beginning July 21;

And unanimously agreed to hold hearings on Reorganization Plan No. 2 (to transfer the Bureau of Employment Security from the FSA to the Department of Labor, etc.) beginning July 25.

It was unanimously agreed to defer action indefinitely on Reorganization Plans Nos. 3, 4, 5, and 6, and to defer temporarily any action on Reorganization Plan No. 7.

Committee voted to report with an amendment H. R. 3851, to amend Public Law 289 (80th Cong.), with respect to surplus airport property and to provide for the transfer of compliance functions with relation to such property, and to report without amendment S. 2170, private bill.

IMPORTATION EXEMPTIONS—TAX ADMINISTRATION AMENDMENTS

Committee on Finance: Committee, in executive session, voted to report favorably, without amendment, H. J. Res. 242, to extend for 2 years the existing privileges of free importation of gifts from members of the U. S. armed forces on duty abroad;

And, with amendments, H. R. 5086, to accord privileges of free importation to members of armed forces of other nations. Before voting to report the bill, the committee agreed to incorporate the contents of H. R. 5347, to facilitate tax administration but not to affect tax liabilities, and an amendment on extension of time for claiming refund with respect to war losses, as amendments to the bill.

Senators McCarthy and Humphrey appeared to testify in executive session in support of an amendment to establish import quotas on furs, but the committee voted to reject the amendment.

Committee also discussed an amendment on family partnerships proposed by Senator Johnson.

FISHERIES CONVENTION

Committee on Foreign Relations: Senator Knowland; Dr. W. M. Chapman, special assistant (for fisheries) to the Under Secretary of State; and Milton C. James, Assistant Director, Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of Interior, appeared before the subcommittee to testify in support of ratification of three fisheries conventions, as follows: The International Convention for the Northwest Atlantic Fisheries; the Convention Between the United States of America and United Mexican States for the Establishment of an International Commission for the Scientific Investigation of Tuna; and the Convention Between the United States of America and the Republic of Costa Rica for the Establishment of an Inter-American Tropical Tuna Commission. Subcommittee adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

FCC NOMINATION

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: By vote of 11 to 0, committee, in executive session, voted to report favorably the nomination of Edward M. Webster to be a member of the FCC, after hearing further testimony by Mr. Webster in support of his own nomination.

CIVIL RIGHTS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee held further hearings on S. 1725, to protect the civil rights of persons within the jurisdiction of the U. S., and S. 1734, to establish a Commission on Civil Rights, with Leander Perez, assistant attorney general of Louisiana, and J. Hoke Robinson, assistant attorney general of South Carolina, testifying in opposition to the bills.

ENEMY PROPERTY

Committee on the Judiciary: Judge Robert P. Patterson, former Secretary of War, appeared before the committee to testify in support of S. 603, to amend the Trading With the Enemy Act, to permit the President to designate organizations as successors in interest to deceased persons who would have been eligible to receive returns under certain sections of the act. Meets again Monday.

VETERANS' UNEMPLOYMENT

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee, in executive session, agreed to report to the full committee with amendment S. 1741, extending unemployment allowances of GI bill of rights for 2 years. The amendment proposes to make the bill conform to the President's economic report. The subcommittee will report the bill to the full committee at its meeting tomorrow.

RIVER AND HARBOR AND FLOOD CONTROL

Committee on Public Works: Continuing hearings on a proposed general flood-control and river and harbor bill, subcommittee received testimony from Senators Holland and Pepper, and Representative Peterson in support of proposed project for Tampa Harbor, Fla.; from Senators Kilgore, Neely, and Myers in support of project for Monongahela River, Pa. and W. Va.; and the following who also testified in support of the Monongahela project: John E. Laughlin, National Steel Corp.; H. A. Bangert, Weirton, W. Va.; Dr. Paul Price, State geologist, W. Va.; Walter C. Hart, editor, Morgantown Dominion News, Morgantown, W. Va.; David Matthews, Jr., Pittsburgh, Pa.; and Mr. Richards, United Mine Workers, W. Va. Hearings continue tomorrow.

STANDING COMMITTEE PROCEDURE

Committee on Rules and Administration: Subcommittee opened hearings on S. Con. Res. 2, relative to reform in procedure before congressional committees, receiving testimony in support of the resolution from Senators Lucas and McMahon, and Dr. Louis Ridenour, professor, University of Illinois. Subcommittee meets again July 19.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Fifteen public bills, H. R. 5640–5654; eight private bills, H. R. 5655–5662; and eight resolutions, H. J. Res. 298–301, and H. Res. 283–286, were introduced. **Pages 9526–9527**

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

(For H. Repts. 1048–1054, see under heading "Administrative Resolutions");

H. R. 3417, to amend the act concerning cooperation by Smithsonian Institution with State, educational, and scientific organizations in U. S. for continuing ethnological researches on American Indians (H. Rept. 1055);

H. R. 5188, regarding the one-hundredth anniversary celebration of the building of the Soo locks, Michigan (H. Rept. 1056);

H. Res. 283, providing for 6 hours' debate, waiving points of order against H. R. 5345, the Agricultural Act of 1949, and making in order as a substitute H. R. 5617 (H. Rept. 1057);

S. 1137, revising and codifying laws of the Canal Zone regarding the administration of estates (H. Rept. 1058);

S. 1136, to amend the Panama Canal Zone Code regarding powers of the Governor (H. Rept. 1059);

H. R. 4749, requirements for membership on the Commission on Mental Health for the District of Columbia (H. Rept. 1060);

H. R. 4892, admission of certain D. C. patients to the Home for Aged and Infirm (H. Rept. 1061);

H. R. 4789, a private bill (H. Rept. 1062);

H. R. 5598, increase of veterans' disability compensation (H. Rept. 1063);

H. R. 5632, to reorganize fiscal management in the National Military Establishment to promote economy and efficiency (H. Rept. 1064);

H. R. 1370, authorizing appointment of three additional judges of the D. C. municipal court, prescribing qualifications of appointees to the municipal court and municipal court of appeals (H. Rept. 1065);

H. R. 3343, to provide for the incorporation, regulation, merger, consolidation, and dissolution of certain business corporations in the District of Columbia (H. Rept. 1066);

H. J. Res. 297, participation in an international exposition at Port-au-Prince, Haiti (H. Rept. 1067); and

Conference report on H. R. 4016, making appropriations for the Departments of State, Justice, Commerce, and the Judiciary (H. Rept. 1068). **Pages 9525–9526**

Indian Lands: Disagreed to Senate amendments to H. J. Res. 33, to ratify a contract for purchase of certain Indian land by U. S. from Three Affiliated Tribes of Fort Berthold Reservation, N. Dak.; requested a conference with the Senate; and appointed Representatives Morris, Murdock, White of Idaho, D'Ewart, and Lemke as conferees on the part of the House. **Page 9474**

Administrative Resolutions: Reported, considered, and adopted the following administrative resolutions from the Committee on House Administration:

H. Res. 246, to provide $45,000 for expenses of studies and investigations for the Committee on the Judiciary (H. Rept. 1048);

H. Res. 254, amended, to authorize appropriation of $526.85 to be paid to the Congressional Hotel, Washington, D. C. (H. Rept. 1049);

H. Res. 252, to provide $50,000 for expenses of studies and investigations for the Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments (H. Rept. 1050);

H. Res. 275, granting a gratuity to widow of deceased House employee (H. Rept. 1051);

H. J. Res. 298, authorizing the Comptroller General to audit receipts and disbursements of the Sergeant at Arms of the House at least semiannually (H. Rept. 1052);

H. Con. Res. 52, to print 250,000 additional copies of publications on communism released by the Committee on Un-American Activities (H. Rept. 1053); and

H. J. Res. 295, to erect memorial in the memory of Mohandas K. Gandhi (H. Rept. 1054). **Pages 9474–9476**

American Indians: Passed, by voice vote, H. R. 3417, to amend the act concerning cooperation by Smithsonian Institution with State, educational, and scientific organizations in U. S. for continuing ethnological researches on American Indians. **Page 9477**

Soo Locks: Passed, by voice vote, H. R. 5188, regarding the one-hundredth anniversary celebration of the building of the Soo locks, Michigan. **Page 9477**

San Francisco Lands: Passed and cleared for the President S. 863, conveyance of certain lands to city and county of San Francisco, Calif. **Page 9480**

Overtime Compensation: Adopted, 207 yeas to 52 nays, H. Res. 264, providing for the taking from the Speaker's table of H. R. 858, to clarify the overtime-compensation provisions of the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938, as amended, as applied in the longshore, stevedoring, building, and construction industries, with the Senate amendments thereto, and agreeing to said amendments; thus clearing H. R. 858 for Presidential action. Pages 9482–9495

Indian Rehabilitation: Passed, by voice vote, H. R. 5208, to promote the rehabilitation of the Navajo and Hopi Tribes of Indians and the better utilization of the resources of the Navajo and Hopi Indian Reservations, after adopting all committee amendments, one of which reduced the total cost from $89,320,000 to $78,570,000. Rejected amendments to further reduce the cost of the program.

This bill provides a comprehensive long-range program for the improvement of the economic and social status of these Indians.

By unanimous consent a similar Senate-passed bill, S. 1407, was taken from the Speaker's table, amended by inserting the language of H. R. 5208, as amended and passed by the House, for the provisions of S. 1407; following which the Senate bill as amended was passed by the House and the proceedings of the passage of H. R. 5208 were vacated and the House bill tabled.

H. Res. 282, the rule for consideration of H. R. 5208, was previously adopted. Pages 9496–9506

State, Justice, Commerce Appropriations: Adopted conference report on H. R. 4016, making appropriations for the Departments of State, Justice, Commerce, and the Judiciary. On the two amendments in disagreement the House receded and concurred on one and receded and concurred with a further amendment on the other and sent it back to the Senate. Pages 9506–9511

D. C. Pensions: Disagreed to Senate amendments to H. R. 2021, to increase pension for widows and children of deceased and retired members of D. C. Police and Fire Departments; requested a conference with the Senate; and appointed Representatives Davis of Georgia, Kline, and Beall. Page 9511

D. C. Teachers Sick Leave: Disagreed to Senate amendments to H. R. 4381, to provide sick and emergency leave for D. C. teachers and attendance officers; requested a conference with the Senate; and appointed Representatives Abernethy, Smith of Virginia, and Miller of Nebraska as conferees on the part of the House. Page 9511

D. C. Banking: Agreed to Senate amendments to H. R. 2104, regulating orders to stop payment on negotiable instruments payable from deposits in D. C. banks, thus clearing the bill for Presidential action. Page 9511

Fur Labeling: Passed, by voice vote, H. R. 5187, to protect consumers and others against misbranding, false advertising, and false invoicing of fur products and furs.

H. Res. 278, the rule making in order the consideration of H. R. 5187, was previously adopted. Pages 9511–9517

Committee Meetings

FOREIGN FARM LABOR

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee No. 2 approved for reporting to the full committee H. R. 5557, admitting foreign workers in the Western Hemisphere for temporary agricultural employment. Witnesses speaking in favor of this legislation were Representatives Gathings, author of the measure, Whittington, Fernandez, and Norrell; Robert C. Goodwin, Director, Bureau of Employment Security, FSA; Don Larin, Placement Service, FSA; E. J. Overby, assistant to Secretary of Agriculture; Joe Hardin, president, Arkansas Farm Bureau Federation; and Ralph Bunje, manager, Agricultural Labor Bureau, Fresno, Calif.

MILITARY FISCAL MANAGEMENT

Committee on Armed Services: Ordered reported favorably to the House H. R. 5632, to reorganize fiscal management in the National Military Establishment to promote economy and efficiency. W. J. McNeil, Office of Secretary of Defense, testified on the bill.

HOME RULE

Committee on the District of Columbia: The Judiciary Subcommittee, considering pending home-rule bills, heard the following witnesses: E. F. Colladay, Washington Board of Trade; Harry S. Wender, D. C. Recreation Board; Mrs. Milton Dunn, League of Women Voters; Culver Chamberlain, District Central Suffrage Conference; and Dr. Hobart M. Corning, Superintendent of Schools. Statements were submitted by Mrs. Gertude Evans, Progressive Party; Gerhard Van Arkel, Americans for Democratic Action; Bernard C. Chapman, Federation of Civic Associations; Mrs. Samuel B. Brown, Washington secretary, National Council of Jewish Women; and Mr. Joseph A. Beavers, Cooks, Pastry Cooks, and Kitchen Employees, Local 209, AFL. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED

Committee on Education and Labor: Kelley subcommittee continued hearings on H. R. 3095, to establish a Federal Commission on Services for the Physically Handicapped. Testifying today were Representative Potter; Oscar Ewing, Administrator, Federal Security Agency; G. Lyle Belsley, Commissioner for Special Services, FSA; Elmer E. Walken, International Association of Machinists, Washington, D. C.; Roger Arnett, Columbus, Ind.; Robert Ramspeck, executive vice president, Air Transport Association of America, Washington, D. C.; P. C. Sherer, president, States Vocational Rehabilitation Council; and Dr. H. H. Kessler, Newark, N. J. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

MARITIME COMMISSION

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: The report of the General Accounting Office concerning the Maritime Commission, dated July 11, 1949, has been referred to the Subcommittee on Government Operations. Representative Hardy, chairman, stated today that his subcommittee will look into the reported matters and will hold an initial hearing in executive session on Thursday, July 21, at 10 a. m., in room 1501, New House Office Building.

PORT-AU-PRINCE

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Ordered reported favorably to the House H. J. Res. 297, authorizing Federal participation in the International Exposition for the Bicentennial of the Founding of Port-au-Prince, Haiti.

INLAND WATERWAYS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee on Transportation held executive meeting on inland waterway bills and will continue on this subject Friday, July 22.

TAX COURT

Committee on the Judiciary: Ordered favorably reported to the House H. R. 3113, to amend the U. S. Code with respect to the Tax Court. Also ordered reported favorably 18 private claims bills (House); and tabled 3 private claims bills (House).

BRAILLE—SALARIES—POSTAL RATES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Ordered the following bills reported favorably to the House:

H. R. 3637, to permit sending of braille writers to or from blind at same rates as provided for their transportation for repair purposes; and

H. R. 5465, amending the Civil Service Retirement Act relating to fixing compensation of officers and employees who are paid on a fee basis.

Also considered postal-rate revisions in an executive session.

OIL

Committee on Public Lands: Max Barash, attorney representing small refiners, continued his testimony in favor of S. 1647, to eliminate premium payments on royalty oil purchased from the Government under existing contracts.

COLUMBIA VALLEY ADMINISTRATION

Committee on Public Works: Secretary of the Interior Julius A. Krug concluded his statement at today's hearings on H. R. 4286 and 4287, to establish a Columbia Valley Administration. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

TRUST FUNDS

Committee on Rules: Representative Cooley spoke in favor of a rule for H. R. 2392, to provide for the liquidation of trust funds now held by the Secretary of Agriculture in the name of State rural rehabilitation corporations, and S. J. Res. 53, providing reforestation and revegetation for forest and range lands in national forests. No action was taken, and hearings on this legislation were postponed until the meeting tentatively scheduled for Tuesday, July 19.

COMMUNISM

Committee on Un-American Activities: Continued hearings on attempted Communist infiltration of minority races and will resume discussions on this subject Monday, July 18.

VETERANS' TRAINING

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Opened hearings on H. R. 3067 and 4898, relating to building trades training under the GI bill of rights. Heard testimony from Representatives Wheeler, Lanham, and Barden. Several officials of State approving agencies of the Southern States also spoke briefly. Committee meets again next Tuesday morning.

SOCIAL SECURITY

Committee on Ways and Means: Continued executive meeting on proposed amendments to the Social Security Act and will hold further discussions on this subject tomorrow morning.

Joint Committee Meetings

STATE, JUSTICE, COMMERCE APPROPRIATIONS

Conferees on H. R. 4016, State, Justice, Commerce appropriations for 1950, met in executive session to consider the differences between the two passed versions, and agreed to file a conference report.

ARMY CIVIL-FUNCTIONS APPROPRIATIONS

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Friday, July 15, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate agreed on time to vote on North Atlantic Pact, and cleared State, Justice, Commerce appropriations for the President.

Senate groups voted to report military appropriations and mine-safety bill.

National bank-State bank consolidation bill approved by House committee.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 9527–9533

Bills Introduced: Seven bills were introduced, as follows: S. 2267 to S. 2273. Page 9529

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. R. 5086, to accord privileges of free importation to members of armed forces of other nations, with amendments (S. Rept. 685);

H. R. 2944, to amend Civil Service Retirement Act of 1930 to provide survivorship benefits for widows or widowers of persons retiring under such act (S. Rept. 686);

H. R. 3756, to provide that the annuities of certain Government employees engaged in enforcement of the criminal laws of the U. S. shall be computed on basis of their average basic salaries for any five consecutive years of allowable service (S. Rept. 687);

S. 1231, to repeal limitations on pay of certain rural mail carriers (S. Rept. 688);

S. 1232, affecting equipment allowances of rural carriers (S. Rept. 689);

H. R. 3851, to amend Public Law 289 (80th Cong.), with respect to surplus airport property and to provide for the transfer of compliance functions with relation to such property, with amendment (S. Rept. 690);

S. 660, to preserve equities of permanent classified civil-service employees, with amendments (S. Rept. 691);

S. 1937, amending Veterans' Preference Act of 1944 for retention in Federal service of employees who have suffered loss of an eye or a limb, with amendments (S. Rept. 692); and

S. 2170, private bill (S. Rept. 693). Page 9529

Bills Referred: Three House-passed bills were referred to appropriate committees. Page 9529

Bill Postponed: H. R. 5289, conveyance of certain lands to city and county of San Francisco, was indefinitely postponed, S. 863, a similar bill, having been passed by Senate and House. Page 9534

Bill Placed on Calendar: H. R. 5188, regarding the one hundredth anniversary celebration of the building of the Soo locks, Michigan, was placed on the calendar. Page 9529

D. C. Policemen and Firemen: Senate agreed to conference on H. R. 2021, to increase pension for widows and children of deceased and retired members of D. C. Police and Fire Departments, and appointed as conferees Senators Hunt, Johnston of South Carolina, and Schoeppel. Page 9575

D. C. Teachers: Senate agreed to conference on H. R. 4381, to provide sick and emergency leave for D. C. teachers and attendance officers, and appointed as conferees Senators Smith of Maine, Hendrickson, and Frear. Page 9575

State, Justice, Commerce Appropriations: Conference report on H. R. 4016, State, Justice, Commerce, and Judiciary appropriations for 1950, was adopted following agreement by Senate to House amendment to Senate amendment No. 10 respecting increase in funds for field offices of Land Division, Department of Justice. This clears the bill for the President. Page 9533

North Atlantic Pact: Continuing debate on North Atlantic Pact, Senate unanimously agreed that on Thursday, July 21, the time between noon and 2 p. m. shall be equally divided between Senators Connally and Donnell; that between 2 and 5 p. m. proponent of any amendment shall be allowed 10 minutes of debate, to be followed by 10 minutes in opposition by Senator Connally; and that at 5 p. m. all debate shall terminate and vote be taken on all amendments and upon the resolution of ratification of the North Atlantic Pact.

Pages 9534–9537, 9552–9575, 9575–9604

Committee Meetings

FARM PROGRAM

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Continuing hearings on S. 1971, proposing to enact the farm program recently recommended to Congress by Secretary of Agriculture Brannan, the subcommittee received testimony in support of the bill from James G. Patton and Glen J. Talbott, both of the National Farmers Union.

The following witnesses testified in opposition to the bill: Albert S. Goss, master of National Grange; Leavitt Parsons, publisher, Northeastern Poultrymen, Boston; and Ben C. Marsh, People's Lobby. Mr. Goss told the subcommittee that the National Grange "supports the express purpose of S. 1971. We cannot support many of the means provided in the bill for attaining the goal sought."

MILITARY APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: In executive session, committee voted to report with amendments H. R. 4146, Military Establishment appropriations for 1950. As approved by the committee, the total appropriations, including cash and contract authorizations, were cut by $1,010,000,000 under the House-approved figure. The bill, as passed by the House, would appropriate $13,272,815,800 plus $2,636,301,000 in contract authorizations. The budget estimates total $13,253,235,700 in appropriations and $2,058,546,000 in contract authorizations.

MINING INCENTIVE

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Committee held hearings on mine-incentive bills pending before it (S. 2105, S. 240, and S. 2230) to stimulate exploration for and conservation of strategic minerals, with Dr. James Boyd, Director of the Bureau of Mines, expressing the views of the Interior Department on the proposed legislation. Hearings continue tomorrow.

IMMIGRATION—SUBVERSIVE ALIENS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee held hearings on bills to amend the Immigration Act of 1918 to provide for exclusion and deportation of subversive aliens (S. 1832 and S. 1694), receiving testimony on the proposed legislation from Attorney General Tom Clark, and Watson Miller, Commissioner of Immigration and Naturalization Service, both accompanied by assistants. Subcommittee meets again tomorrow.

COAL MINERS

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: In executive session, the committee considered pending calendar business and agreed to report a revised version (amendment in the nature of a substitute) of S. 1031, to give the Bureau of Mines power to have coal miners withdrawn from mines or sections of mines where imminent danger exists. Committee meets again July 18.

RIVER AND HARBOR AND FLOOD CONTROL

Committee on Public Works: Subcommittee continued hearings on proposed general flood-control and river and harbor bill, receiving testimony in support of the project of the Big Sandy River, Ky., Va., and W. Va., from the following witnesses: Senators Chapman and Withers; Representatives Perkins, Talle, and Bates of Kentucky; Col. Harry Pockras, W. E. Reed, and Peter Golden, all of Huntington, W. Va.; Henry Ward, commissioner of conservation, Kentucky; William Webb, National River and Harbors Congress; Dr. O. W. Thompson, president, Big Sandy Valley Association; Mayor J. B. Wells, Jr., Paintsville, Ky.; C. J. Neecamp, Ashland, Ky.; Thadeus Scott and Charles Guilley, both of Pikeville, Ky.; Charles F. Trivette, Virgie, Ky.; and Elza Johnson, Williamson, W. Va.

The following testified in opposition to the project: Senator Robertson; W. D. Johnson, Order of Railway Conductors; Rolla D. Campbell, Island Creek Coal Co.; H. S. Homan, Big-Sandy-Elkhorn Coal Operators Association; Tom Raney, national executive board, UMW; William S. Leckie, coal operator; William J. Baird; Thomas A. Shewey, Kermit, W. Va.; George W. Bishop and J. Brooks Lawson, both of Williamson, W. Va.; R. A. Morris, Kenova, W. Va.; Gen. R. G. Breene; W. H. Griffith, Organization of Masters, Mates, and Pilots of America; Stewart Saunders, assistant general counsel, and W. L. Young, assistant chief of engineers, both of Norfolk & Western Railroad; and John Corbett, Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers. Subcommittee continues July 19.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Monday, July 18, at 12 o'clock noon.

Committee Meetings

WHEAT

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee on Wheat, considering wheat acreage allotments, heard testimony from Representative Marsalis; Frank K. Woolley, Deputy Administrator, Production and Marketing Administration, Department of Agriculture, and Fred B. Entermille, Assistant Director, Grain Branch of the same Administration; and Lloyd Case, Denver, Colo., representing a group of wheat growers.

MILITARY CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Armed Services: Maj. Gen. Lewis A. Pick, Chief of Army Engineers, supported by other military witnesses, testified in favor of title I of H. R. 4766, authorizing certain construction at military and naval installations. Hearings will be continued tomorrow morning.

BANK CONVERSION—ARMORY

Committee on Banking and Currency: Unanimously approved the following bills to be reported to the House:

H. R. 1161, to provide for conversion of national banking associations into and their merger or consolidation with State banks; and

S. 803, to provide for the conveyance of a tract of land in Prince Georges County, Md., to the State of Maryland for use as a site for a National Guard armory, with amendments.

Thomas J. Lynch, general counsel for the Treasury Department, and D. Emmert Brumbaugh, secretary of banking for the State of Pennsylvania, testified in favor of the bank-conversion bill. Representative Sasscer, author of H. R. 2730, a companion bill to S. 803, appeared and testified in behalf of the bill.

HOME RULE

Committee on the District of Columbia: The Judiciary Subcommittee continued consideration of pending home-rule bills and received testimony from Representative Hays of Arkansas; Harry N. Peterson, Public Library; Lloyd N. Cutler, Washington Home Rule Committee; T. S. Settle, National Capital Park and Planning Commission; C. F. Preller, Washington Central Labor Union; and Paul Matthews, Junior Chamber of Commerce. Hearings on this subject will be resumed Wednesday, July 20.

PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED

Committee on Education and Labor: Kelley subcommittee concluded hearings on H. R. 3095, to establish a Federal Commission on Services for the Physically Handicapped. Witnesses at today's meeting were Representative Van Zandt; Dr. Harvey Bartle, Philadelphia, Pa.; Louis Hines, American Federation of Labor; Dr. Francis J. Brown, American Council on Education; Hartman Barber, legislative representative, Brotherhood of Railway Clerks; Paul A. Strachan, president, and Harry Wender, general counsel, both of the American Federation of the Physically Handicapped; and A. L. Archibald, executive director, National Federation of the Blind.

MONOPOLY

Committee on the Judiciary: Francis P. Matthews, Secretary of the Navy, testified at today's meeting of the Special Subcommittee To Investigate Monopoly Power. Hearings will be continued Monday.

INDIAN BILLS

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Indian Affairs met and ordered the following bills reported to the full committee: H. R. 5473, rehabilitation of the Gros Ventre Indians; and H. R. 5570, amended, rehabilitation of the Chippewa Cree Tribe.

Albert Huber and William Zimmerman, both of the Department of the Interior, testified and offered no objection to either bill. Subcommittee adjourned until next Thursday.

COLUMBIA RIVER VALLEY

Committee on Public Works: C. Girard Davidson, Assistant Secretary of the Interior, testified before the committee in support of H. R. 4286 and 4287, to establish a Columbia Valley Administration to aid in unifying water control, resource conservation, and development of the Columbia River, its tributaries, and surrounding lands, and will continue his statement at Monday's hearing.

SOCIAL SECURITY

Committee on Ways and Means: Continued executive sessions on proposed amendments to the Social Security Act. Will resume discussions on this subject Monday.

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HIGHLIGHTS

Senate debated North Atlantic Pact.

House passed bills on military fiscal management reorganization, military rental housing, UN participation, and 25 calendar measures.

Senate groups approved armed services pay, Government pay, and numerous private and noncontroversial bills.

Bills on agriculture and land development ordered reported by House committee.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 9605–9623

Bills Introduced: Eleven bills and four resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2274 to S. 2284; S. J. Res. 118; S. Con. Res. 54; and S. Res. 135 and S. Res. 136. **Pages 9607–9608**

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. J. Res. 170, designating June 14 as Flag Day (S. Rept. 694);

S. 1031, to give the Bureau of Mines power to have coal miners withdrawn from mines or sections of mines where imminent danger exists, with amendments (S. Rept. 695);

H. R. 4875, relative to travel expense allowances for Government employee witnesses (S. Rept. 697);

S. Res. 137, refer S. 2185, private bill, to Court of Claims (S. Rept. 698);

H. R. 4948, policing of the building and grounds of the Supreme Court (S. Rept. 719);

H. R. 5287, to create a Swainsboro division of district court in the southern district of Georgia (S. Rept. 720); and

The following private bills: S. 2031, 777, 986, H. R. 607, 691, 1023, 1069, 1075, 1619, 1672, 1993, 2344, 2704, 2925, 3139, 3408, 4097, 4138, 4307, 4366, 4854, S. 609, 627, H. R. 559, 605, 1137, S. 229, 1096, 1976, and H. R. 2608 (S. Repts. 696, 699–718, 721–729, respectively). **Pages 9606–9607**

President's Message: President transmitted Reorganization Plan No. 8, respecting unification of the Armed Services. **Pages 9622, 9668–9669**

Bill Placed on Calendar: S. Res. 137, to refer S. 2185, private bill, to the Court of Claims, was placed on the calendar. **Page 9607**

North Atlantic Pact: Senate continued debate of the North Atlantic Pact. **Pages 9623–9650**

Indian Bills: Senate agreed to conference on H. J. Res. 33, purchase of certain Indian lands by U. S. from Three Affiliated Tribes of Fort Berthold Reservation, N. Dak., and appointed as conferees Senators Kerr, McFarland, Miller, Ecton, and Watkins.

The House amendment to S. 1407, to promote rehabitation of Navajo and Hopi Tribes of Indians, was disagreed to with an amendment. A conference was requested and Senators McFarland, Anderson, Kerr, Ecton, and Watkins were appointed. **Pages 9650–9651**

Nominations: One civilian nomination was received, along with 160 promotions in the Air Force. **Pages 9651–9652**

Committee Meetings

FARM PROGRAM

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Subcommittee heard further testimony in opposition to S. 1971, proposing to enact the farm program recently recommended to Congress by Secretary of Agriculture Brannan, from the following witnesses: Mark W. Pickell, C. B. Watson, Harry Offutt, Willard Burney, and Ralph Newman, all officials of the Corn Belt Livestock Feeders Association, and Bryant Edwards, president, Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers' Association. Hearings continue tomorrow.

THIRD DEFICIENCY APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee opened hearings on H. R. 5300, third deficiency appropriations for 1949, with Senator Connally, Representative Bentsen, and Joe Montague, Texas and Southwest Cattlemen's Association, testifying on proposed appropriations for the Bureau of Animal Industry of the Agriculture Department for tick eradication; Senators Humphrey and Hunt, and Representatives D'Ewart and Patten appeared in support of funds for the Bureau of Entomology and Plant Quarantine for grasshopper eradication; officials of the Agriculture Department testified on both tick and grasshopper items; Senator Chavez appeared on war claims; B. L. Gladieux, Office of Secretary of Commerce, appeared on liquidation of war agencies; and Senator Wherry testified on an item for post-office site at Omaha, Nebr. Subcommittee meets again Wednesday.

MILITARY APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: In executive session, committee reopened consideration of H. R. 4146, Military Establishment appropriations for 1950, to consider renegotiation items carried in the bill.

ARMED SERVICES PAY BILL

Committee on Armed Services: In executive session, by vote of 10 to 1, committee voted to report with perfecting amendments H. R. 5007, to provide increased pay, allowances, and physical-disability retirement for members of the uniformed services.

MINING INCENTIVE

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Continuing hearings on mine-incentive bills (S. 2105, S. 240, and S. 2230), the committee received testimony in support of the proposed legislation from the following witnesses: Ed Snyder, president, Zinc Institute and member of Minerals Advisory Council of the Interior Department; Frank Eichelberger, Vermont Copper Co.; and Joseph Taylor, president, Peru Mining Co., New Mexico. Hearings continue tomorrow.

On Saturday, the committee heard testimony in support of the legislation from Robert S. Palmer, Colorado Mining Association; J. Buchanan, Tri State Ore Producers Association; William Lynch, Calumet & Hecla Copper Co.; and A. L. Hearst, Northeastern Mining Association.

FEDERAL COURTS, WITNESSES, MEMORIAL DAYS, AND PRIVATE BILLS

Committee on the Judiciary: In executive session, committee voted to report without amendment:

H. R. 4948, policing of the building and grounds of the Supreme Court;

H. R. 5287, to create a Swainsboro Division of District Court in the southern district of Georgia;

H. R. 4875, relative to travel expense allowances for Government employee witnesses; and

H. J. Res. 170, designating June 14 as Flag Day.

And with amendment, S. 1837, to amend Trading With the Enemy Act to provide for the filing of surety bond by any person appealing the disposition of property.

The following 27 private claims bills were ordered reported: S. 229, H. R. 2604, S. 1530, S. 1976, H. R. 605, H. R. 607, H. R. 691, H. R. 1069, H. R 1075, H. R. 1619, H. R. 1672, H. R. 4097, H. R. 4307, H. R. 4366, S. 777, S. 1096, H. R. 2344, S. 2031, S. 2185, H. R. 559, H. R. 1023, H. R. 1137, H. R. 2704, H. R. 2925, H. R. 3139, H. R. 3408, and H. R. 4138.

The following five private immigration bills were ordered reported: S. 609, S. 627, S. 986, H. R. 4854, and H. R. 1993.

The committee voted to postpone indefinitely 51 private bills and S. 747, dismissal of an indictment, information, or complaint in any criminal prosecution in a district court of the U. S.; H. J. Res. 241, to proclaim October 11 as General Pulaski's Memorial Day; S. J. Res. 110, to establish a National Children's Day; and S. J. Res. 67, authorizing President to proclaim Children's Day.

IMMIGRATION—SUBVERSIVE ALIENS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Saturday received further testimony on S. 1832, to amend the Immigration Act of 1918 to provide for exclusion and deportation of subversive aliens, from Assistant Secretary of State John E. Peurifoy, and Herve J. L'Heureux, Visa Division, Department of State.

HAWAIIAN LABOR PROBLEM

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Continuing hearings on S. 2216, to authorize the President, under certain conditions, to appoint a board of inquiry with power to make binding recommendations with respect to labor disputes in trade between the U. S. and the Territory of Hawaii, the committee heard the following two witnesses express their views on the proposed legislation: James P. Blaisdell, representative of Stevedore Employers of Hawaii, and Harry Bridges, International Longshoremen's and Warehousemen's Union, San Francisco.

GOVERNMENT PAY BILLS

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: In executive session, the subcommittee voted to report favorably with amendments (amendments in the nature of a substitute) S. 1762, to establish standard schedule of rates of basic compensation for certain employees of the Federal Government, to fix an equitable system for adjusting the rates of basic compensation of individual employees, and repeal the Classification Act of 1923, and S. 1772, to provide additional benefits to postal-service employees including postmasters and officers with respect to annual and sick leave, longevity pay, compensatory time, and promotion. It is expected that if approved by the full committee, the bills will be introduced and reported under new numbers.

Subcommittee voted to report favorably without amendment S. 2226, relating to the compensation of certain employees of the Panama Canal, and H. R. 1516, automatic promotions for part-time employees in the custodial service of the Post Office Department.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Eighteen public bills, H. R. 5663–5680; five private bills, H. R. 5681–5685; and nine resolutions, H. J. Res. 302–310, were introduced.

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Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. R. 5465, to amend section 4 (c) of Civil Service Retirement Act of 1930, relative to computing annuities of employees paid on a fee basis (H. Rept. 1069);

S. 755, to extend the time for commencing and completing the construction of a bridge across the Ohio River at or near Shawneetown, Ill. (H. Rept. 1070);

H. R. 3478, to extend the time for completing construction of a bridge across the Mississippi River from St. Louis, Mo., to East St. Louis, Ill. (H. Rept. 1071);

H. R. 5048, to revive and reenact the act to create the Clinton Bridge Commission and authorize it to construct, maintain, and operate a bridge across the Mississippi River between Clinton, Iowa, and Fulton, Ill. (H. Rept. 1072); and

H. R. 3637, relative to sending Braille Writers to or from the blind through the mail (H. Rept. 1073).

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Consent Calendar: Passed the following bills on the call of the Consent Calendar:

Cleared for the President:

I. C. C.: S. 255, to amend section 205 of the Interstate Commerce Act relating to joint boards.

Federal Airport Act: S. 1279, to amend the Federal Airport Act to provide that minimum rates of wages need be specified only in contracts in excess of $2,000.

Federal Airport Act: S. 1280, to amend the Federal Airport Act to limit to 10 percent any increase of the amount stated as a maximum obligation under a grant agreement.

Navy retiring boards: S. 1639, providing that the Secretary of the Navy, instead of the President, be authorized to approve or disapprove decisions by Navy retiring boards.

Senate to the Senate without amendment:

Land conveyance: H. R. 524, to convey to the county of Los Angeles, Calif., a certain portion of a tract of land.

Rio Grande toll bridge: H. R. 4022, to extend the time for commencing the construction of a toll bridge across the Rio Grande River at or near Rio Grande City, Tex.

Concession contracts: H. R. 4117, to permit the granting of concession contracts relating to Kings Canyon National Park on terms consistent with those granted in other national parks.

Indian land lease: H. R. 4901, to authorize the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians of North Carolina to lease certain lands for a period not exceeding 40 years.

Irrigation contracts: H. R. 5184, to approve contracts negotiated with certain irrigation districts and to authorize their execution.

Revenue: H. R. 5268, to amend the Internal Revenue Code to remove certain inequalities or hardships in present Federal tax laws.

Sent to the Senate, amended:

ICC: S. 256, an omnibus bill to amend the Interstate Commerce Act.

Veterans' pensions: S. 266, to permit a refund of pension or compensation withheld from an incompetent veteran while hospitalized when released as a competent veteran.

Explosives: S. 447, in lieu of H. R. 3940, to amend Civil Aeronautics Act relative to transportation, packing, marking, and description of explosives and other dangerous articles. (The passage of H. R. 3940 was vacated, the House bill tabled, and S. 447 passed after striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting the provisions of H. R. 3940, as amended.)

Veterans: S. 811, relating to retroactive pensions and compensation benefits payable to disabled or deceased veterans of World War II who were prisoners of war.

VA leases: S. 2010, to extend for 2 years the authority of the Administrator of Veterans' Affairs to enter into 5-year leases.

Terminal leave pay: H. R. 540, to provide terminal leave pay for certain officers of the Navy and Marine Corps.

Recreation: H. R. 892, to authorize the establishment of a Federal Interagency Committee on Recreation.

Indian submarginal lands: H. R. 3275, providing for sale or disposal of certain submarginal lands on Indian reservations in Montana, North Dakota, and South Dakota.

Military pay advances: H. R. 4050, to authorize advances in pay to personnel of the Army, Navy, Air Force, and Marine Corps upon permanent change of station.

Hawaiian bonds: H. R. 4688, extending the time within which revenue bonds may be issued and delivered under chapter 118, Revised Laws of Hawaii, 1945.

Forfeiture remittance: H. R. 4762, to empower the courts to remit or mitigate forfeitures.

Irrigation charges: H. R. 4986, relating to cancellation of certain unpaid interest charges concerning Flathead Indian irrigation project, Montana.

Colorado wildlife: H. R. 5134, to promote development in cooperation with the State of Colorado of the fish, wildlife, and recreational aspects of the Colorado-Big Thompson Federal reclamation project.

Naval officers: H. R. 5238, to authorize the adjustment of the lineal positions of certain officers of the naval service.

Reserve retirement: H. R. 5508, amending Reserve retirement provisions of Public Law 810 (80th Cong.) relative to service credit.

Pages 9654–9668

Vessel Transfer: By unanimous consent considered and passed H. R. 5365, transferring vessel *Black Mallard* to State of Louisiana for use and benefit of department of wildlife and fisheries of such State.

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President's Message: Heard message from President in which he submitted Reorganization Plan No. 8, relative to unification of the Armed Services. The message was referred to the Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments and ordered printed as a House document (H. Doc. No. 262).

Pages 9668–9670

Suspension of Rules: The House voted to suspend the rules and passed the following bills:

Military reorganization: H. R. 5632, to reorganize fiscal management in the National Military Establishment to promote economy and efficiency. This bill is designed to place the Military Establishment on a sound budgetary and fiscal management basis.

Military rental housing: S. 1184, to encourage construction of rental housing on or in areas adjacent to Army, Navy, Marine Corps, and Air Force installations.

Indian rehabilitation: H. R. 3765, to provide for the rehabilitation of the Sisseton-Wahpeton Sioux Tribe of Indians and for the better utilization of resources of their reservation.

Pages 9670–9685

United Nations: Passed H. R. 4708, to amend the United Nations Participation Act of 1945, after adopting clarifying amendments.

The general purpose of the bill is to improve United States participation in the activities of the United Nations. It seeks to do this in three general ways: (1) By strengthening representation at the top level; (2) by affirming and clarifying the legal basis for the armed services to furnish noncombatant assistance to the United Nations; and (3) by making secondary changes in detail in the basic statute under which the United States participates in United Nations activities.

H. Res. 280, the rule for consideration of H. R. 4708, was previously adopted. Pages 9685–9689

Noncitizen Claims: Agreed to a Senate amendment to S. 937, authorizing the payment of certain claims against the U. S. by foreign nationals, thus clearing the bill for the President. Page 9689

D. C. Judges: Agreed to Senate amendments to H. R. 3901, to increase the salaries of judges of the D. C. municipal court of appeals and the D. C. municipal court, thus clearing the bill for the President. Page 9692

D. C. Business Corporations: Passed H. R. 3343, to provide for the incorporation, regulation, merger, consolidation, and dissolution of certain business corporations in the District of Columbia. This bill modernizes the District of Columbia Corporation Act. Pages 9692–9713

Committee Meetings

LAND AND FARM BILLS

Committee on Agriculture: Ordered the following bills reported to the House:

H. R. 2538, to authorize completion of land development and settlement of Angostura unit of Missouri Basin project, notwithstanding a limitation of time;

H. R. 3926, to rename a game sanctuary in Harney National Forest;

H. R. 4641, authorizing the Secretary of Agriculture to accept title to certain lands in Plumas County, Calif.;

H. R. 5512, to amend section 13 of the Federal Farm Loan Act, relative to Federal land banks obtaining advances from Federal Reserve banks on land-bank notes or bonds;

H. R. 5557, admitting foreign workers in the Western Hemisphere for temporary agricultural employment; and

H. R. 5592, to authorize cancellation of interest, and, in some cases, the principal on certain feed and seed loans made to farmers.

COTTON MARKETING QUOTAS

Committee on Agriculture: The Pace subcommittee on cotton resumed executive consideration of H. R. 5392, to amend the cotton marketing quota provisions of the Agricultural Adjustment Act. Committee took no action and adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

MILITARY CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Armed Services: Col. Colby Myers, Department of the Air Force, testified at today's hearings on H. R. 4766, authorizing certain construction at military and naval installations. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

ALASKA WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION

Committee on Education and Labor: The Kelley subcommittee heard Delegate Bartlett of Alaska explain the features of his bill, H. R. 214, to make workmen's compensation laws of Alaska applicable to land and premises of United States in Alaska.

SCHOOL HEALTH

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee on Public Health, Science, and Commerce considered the subject of school health services in executive session but took no action thereon.

MONOPOLY

Committee on the Judiciary: Special Subcommittee To Investigate Monopoly Power took the testimony of Secretary of Agriculture Brannan and John M. Blair, Chief of the Division of Economics, Federal Trade Commission. Hearings will be continued Wednesday.

ALIEN DEPORTATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 1 agreed to report favorably to the full committee eight private immigration bills (five House and three Senate).

Also heard the following witnesses in opposition to H. R. 10, with respect to deportation and detention of certain aliens: Thomas Cooley, representing the Americans for Democratic Action and the American Civil Liberties Union; Louis Spiegler, representing the Jewish War Veterans; and Irving Jaffe, representing the American Jewish Congress.

FEDERAL AND POSTAL PAY RAISE

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: The following Members of the House, who have introduced bills in this session regarding pay raises, promotion, leave, and other benefits, for Federal and postal workers, testified today before the Murray subcommittee: Representatives Moulder, Holifield, Fenton, and Kunkel. Members, other than authors, who were heard on general legislation beneficial to Federal employees were Representatives Murdock, Steed, McKinnon, Werdel, Mansfield, Tollefson, and Hobbs. Hearings will be continued on Wednesday.

PETROLEUM EXPERIMENT STATION

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Mines and Mining considered, but took no action on, H. R. 2649, to establish an experiment station in West Virginia for research on petroleum and gas from coal.

Later a general discussion was held on stock piling of critical metals and minerals. Heard on this subject were Lt. Gen. LeRoy Lutes, Staff Director, Munitions Board; Maj. Gen. S. P. Spalding, Acting Director for Industrial Programs; Ernest Hawkins, Chief, Office of Material Resources; Carl Rolle, Munitions Board; and Clifton Mack, Director, and A. J. Walsh, Assistant

Director, Bureau of Federal Supply. Meeting adjourned subject to the call of the Chair.

COLUMBIA RIVER VALLEY

Committee on Public Works: C. Girard Davidson, Assistant Secretary of the Interior, concluded his statement in support of H. R. 4286 and 4287, to establish a Columbia Valley Administration to aid in unifying water control, resource conservation, and development of the Columbia River, its tributaries, and surrounding lands. Postponed further consideration of this bill, subject to the call of the Chair.

LOYALTY OF AMERICAN NEGROES

Committee on Un-American Activities: Resumed hearings on the subject of loyalty of American Negroes and heard Jackie Robinson, Brooklyn Dodger baseball star, who refuted recent statements of Paul Robeson. Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

SOCIAL SECURITY

Committee on Ways and Means: Held further executive discussions on the proposed amendments to the Social Security Act and will continue consideration of this subject tomorrow.

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HIGHLIGHTS

Both Houses adjourned out of respect to Justice Murphy.

Bills on natural-gas transportation, airport grants, and court picketing ordered reported by House committees.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 9732–9733

Bills Introduced: One resolution was introduced, as follows: S. Res. 138. Page 9733

Condolence Resolution: Senate adopted S. Res. 138, expressing sorrow on the occasion of the death of Justice Frank Murphy of the Supreme Court. Pages 9733–9734

Committee Meetings

HOGS

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Subcommittee, in executive session, voted to report to the full committee, without recommendation, S. 1721, to provide price support for hogs. The full committee meets tomorrow to receive the subcommittee's report and to consider the bill.

FARM PROGRAM

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: The following witnesses appeared before the subcommittee to testify in opposition to S. 1971, proposing to enact the farm program recently recommended to Congress by Secretary of Agriculture Brannan: L. C. Damert, first vice president, and Sam C. Hyatt, both of the American National Livestock Association; C. B. Heinemann, president, National Independent Meat Packers Association; and Roy M. Cohen, publisher of the Butchers' Advocate.

Charles C. Rohrer, dairy farmer of Indiana, testified in support of the bill.

STOCK-PILING PROGRAM

Committee on Appropriations: Committee met in executive session to consider funds for stock-piling program, but made no announcement of action taken.

THIRD DEFICIENCY APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Continuing hearings on H. R. 5300, third deficiency appropriations for 1949, subcommittee received testimony in support of the following proposed appropriations by Government officials from the respective departments concerned: Employment Service and building repair item for Bureau of Old Age Assistance, both of the FSA; Alaska housing under Housing and Home Finance; item on salaries and expenses for Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service; item on rules of procedure under Judiciary; tort-claim item under Treasury Department; and travel-expense item under Joint Committee on Printing.

A representative of the AFL appeared on a provision relative to agriculture labor under NLRB.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

D. C. SLUDGE

Committee on the District of Columbia: Subcommittee heard Vernon West, D. C. Corporation Counsel,

testify generally in support of S. 2205, D. C. sludge removal, proposing amendments.

D. C. TAXIS

Committee on the District of Columbia: Subcommittee held hearing on S. 1909, to limit number of taxicabs in District, hearing favorable testimony from Vernon E. West, Corporation Counsel; James Flanagan, Chairman, PUC; Edwin A. Glenn, president, Silver Fleet Taxi; Harry Davis, Diamond Taxi Co.; Verner O. Shaw, representing a group of Diamond cab drivers; George P. Poulas, owner-driver of a Diamond cab; Jack H. Royer, Jr., president, Combined Cab Service, Inc.; Mrs. Howard, Columbia Heights Citizens Association; and Frank Bora, driver.

Heard in opposition to the bill were William A. Frye, driver; Mrs. Bessie M. Cahill; and Arthur S. Harder.

FINLAND, HAITI, AND CLAIMS

Committee on Foreign Relations: In executive session, the committee voted to report a revised version (committee print of July 16 of the bill with amendments) of S. J. Res. 3, to provide for use of World War I debt payments by Finland for educational and technical instruction and training in the U. S. for citizens of Finland, and American books and technical equipment for institutions of higher education in Finland, and to provide opportunities for American citizens to carry out academic and scientific enterprises in Finland; and, a revised version of S. J. Res. 79, participation in International Exposition for the Bicentennial of the Founding of Port-au-Prince, Haiti.

The committee also considered H. R. 4406, settlement of U. S. claims against foreign governments, but reached no final decision.

MINING INCENTIVE

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Continuing hearings on mining incentive bills pending before the committee (S. 2105, S. 240, and S. 2230), to stimulate exploration for and conservation of strategic minerals, the committee received testimony in support of the proposed legislation from Jesse L. Maury, private mining consultant, Washington, D. C.; Dr. R. S. Dean, consulting metallurgical engineer, and H. D. McBride, both appearing in behalf of the Monolith Portland Midwest Co., Los Angeles. Samuel Morris, chairman, Arizona Copper Tariff Board, testified on the status of the copper industry in America and in support of any pending legislation for restoration of tariff on copper. Committee adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

IMMIGRATION—ASIATIC QUOTAS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on H. R. 199, immigration quotas for Asiatic races, heard the following witnesses: Representatives Judd and Miller of California; Dean Rusk, Deputy Under Secretary of State; Edward J. Shaughnessy, Deputy Commissioner of Immigration; Gen. Robert W. Eichelberger; Dillon S. Myer, former Director, War Relocation Authority; Father Everett Briggs, National Catholic Welfare Conference; Elmer W. Henderson, American Council on Human Rights; and Ward Canaday, Co-Chairman, Caribbean Commission.

Hearings continue tomorrow at 10 a. m.

RIVER AND HARBOR AND FLOOD CONTROL

Committee on Public Works: Subcommittee continued hearings on proposed general flood-control and river and harbor bill, with the following witnesses testifying in favor of S. 1392, authorizing $55,000,000 for plan for flood control in the Rio Grande Basin, N. Mex.: Senator Anderson; Representative Fernandez; Colonel Gee, Army engineers; Col. Joseph O. Killian, district engineer, Albuquerque, N. Mex.; Wesley R. Nelson, Bureau of Reclamation; Hubert Ball, chief engineer, Middle Rio Grande Conservancy District; Carroll L. Tyler, manager, Santa Fe Operations, AEC; Col. S. V. Hasbrouck, Armed Forces Special Weapons; Col. C. F. Dreyer; Frederick J. Lawton, Assistant Director, Bureau of the Budget; and John P. Murphy, Albuquerque, N. Mex.

Hearings continue tomorrow at 10 a. m.

COMMITTEE PROCEDURE

Committee on Rules and Administration: Subcommittee opened hearings on S. Con. Res. 2, relative to reform in procedure before congressional committees, with the following witnesses testifying generally in support of the resolution but suggesting various amendments: Robert E. Kennedy, Chicago Sun-Times; Allen T. Klots, of the firm of Winthrop, Stimpson, Putnam & Roberts; and Thomas E. Harris, assistant general counsel for the CIO. Hearings continue tomorrow.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Two public bills, H. R. 5686 and 5687; one private bill, H. R. 5688, and three resolutions, H. J. Res. 311 and 312, and H. Con. Res. 105, were introduced. Page 9741

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. R. 4641, exchange of land with Plumas County, Calif. (H. Rept. 1074); and

H. R. 5512, to amend section 13 of the Federal Farm Loan Act, relative to short-term credit (H. Rept. 1075). Page 9740

Scrap Metal: Passed H. R. 5327, to extend to June 30, 1950, the suspension of the import duty on scrap metal. Page 9734

Foreign-Trade Zones: H. R. 5332, to amend section 3 of the act of June 18, 1934, relating to the establishment of foreign-trade zones. This bill seeks to expand activities within foreign-trade zones. Adopted an amendment designed to prohibit the manufacture of watches within a foreign-trade zone. Pages 9734–9735

President's Message: Received veto messages from the President on two private bills, H. R. 703 and H. R. 1131, which were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary and ordered printed as House Documents 264 and 265, respectively. Pages 9738–9739

Condolence Resolution: Adopted H. Res. 287, providing for expressions of sympathy to the family of Associate Justice Frank Murphy of the United States Supreme Court and the appointment of a committee of four to attend the funeral. Subsequently Representatives Dingell, Rabaut, Woodruff, and Shafer were appointed to the funeral committee. Pages 9739–9740

Committee Meetings

MILITARY CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Armed Services: Col. Colby H. Myers, Department of the Air Force, concluded his statement in support of H. R. 4766, authorizing certain construction at military and naval installations. Hearings will be continued on Thursday.

SCHOOL AGENCY AID

Committee on Education and Labor: Ordered reported to the House H. R. 3829, providing assistance for local school agencies in furnishing educational opportunities for children on Federal reservations or in defense areas. The language of H. R. 2287, introduced by Representative Combs, was substituted for the text of H. R. 3829 as an amendment. As sent to the House the measure reduced the suggested appropriation of $10,000,000 to $7,500,000, and the program would be operated for one fiscal year instead of two years, as now contained in the Combs bill.

UN-WORLD FEDERATION

Committee on Foreign Affairs: It was announced today that open hearings would be held at 10:30 a. m. Thursday and Friday of this week for consideration of H. Con. Res. 64, introduced by Representative Hays of Arkansas (and 30 other additional resolutions, each entitled "A concurrent resolution to seek development of the United Nations into a world federation").

NATURAL GAS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Ordered reported to the House H. R. 1758, amending the Natural Gas Act relative to making the act applicable to the transportation of natural gas in interstate commerce. As reported, the bill was amended to delete section (e) regarding the regulation of certain rates and charges.

Also ordered the following two bills reported to the House:

H. R. 4239, amended, to amend the Federal Airport Act to reduce from 75 percent to 60 percent the amount of appropriation available for grants for projects; and

S. 1285, to authorize progressive partial payments to contractors under Federal airport program.

PICKETING—IMMIGRATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Ordered reported to the House H. R. 5647, prohibiting the picketing of U. S. courts; six House immigration bills, and three Senate immigration bills.

POSTAL-RATE STRUCTURE

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: The Herlong subcommittee discussed in executive session H. R. 1008, creating a Board of Postal Rates and Fees. Will hold open hearing next Friday on this measure and have Post Office Department officials as witnesses. This legislation would create a Board which would adjust the postal-rate structure so that revenue will, insofar as possible, be more nearly equal to expenditures.

VETERANS

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Crook subcommittee approved for reporting to full committee S. 974, to amend the Veterans' Preference Act with respect to certain mothers of veterans.

CIVIL SERVICE

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Carlyle subcommittee approved for reporting to full committee S. 1977, to extend the time within which legislative employees may come within the purview of the Civil Service Retirement Act.

WEBER BASIN PROJECT

Committee on Public Lands: Unanimously ordered to report to the House H. R. 799, with amendments. This bill would authorize the construction, operation, and maintenance of the Weber Basin project in Utah. J. B. Will, special counsel, Bureau of Reclamation, explained the project, and Francis M. Warnick, acting area engineer, Salt Lake City area office, Bureau of Reclamation, testified in favor of the project.

PUBLIC WORKS PLANNING

Committee on Public Works: Considered, but took no action on, H. R. 3086 and H. R. 5333, both bills providing for the advance planning of public works. Representatives Boggs of Louisiana and Denton, respective sponsors of these measures, spoke on behalf of the legis-

lation. Also heard on the advance-planning program were Jess Larson, Administrator, and Maxwell H. Elliott, general counsel, both of the General Services Administration; Pere F. Seward, Commissioner, Bureau of Community Facilities; W. E. Reynolds, Commissioner of Public Buildings, PBA; and Thomas H. MacDonald, Commissioner of the Public Roads Administration.

Ordered reported to the House, amended, H. R. 4569, transfer of Fort Des Moines to the State of Iowa. Representative Cunningham, author of the bill, explained its features.

Adjourned subject to the call of the Chair.

VETERANS' TRAINING

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Held further hearings on H. R. 3067 and 4898, relating to building-trades training under the GI bill of rights. Heard testimony of the following witnesses: Representatives Davis of Georgia and Burton; B. H. Van Oot, of Virginia Vocational Office; and H. V. Stirling of the Veterans' Administration. Adjourned until 10:30 a. m. Thursday morning.

SOCIAL SECURITY

Committee on Ways and Means: Continued executive work on Social Security Act revision. Will meet again tomorrow on this subject.

Joint Committee Meetings

ATOMIC ENERGY

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Committee met in executive session with members of AEC to consider personnel security cases. Committee meets tomorrow on American-British negotiations relating to atomic energy.

Wednesday, July 20, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed military reorganization bill, continued debate on North Atlantic Pact, and cleared six bills for President.

House passed 34 private measures and debated farm program bill.

Senate groups acted on bills on school construction, advanced planning in public works, Mississippi River Parkway, and public lands.

Bills on tung-nut parity and Federal agency school aid cleared for House action by Rules Committee.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 9741–9828

Bills Introduced: Fourteen bills and three resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2285 to S. 2298; S. J. Res. 119 and S. J. Res. 120; and S. Res. 139. Pages 9744–9745

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 1284, to amend section 6 of the Federal Airport Act to reduce the amount of funds available for grants to the States from 75 percent to 60 percent, with amendment (S. Rept. 730);

S. 1530, private bill (S. Rept. 731);

S. 1681, to prohibit the picketing of courts, with amendment (S. Rept. 732);

H. R. 5007, to provide increased pay, allowances, and physical-disability retirement for members of the uniformed services, with amendments (S. Rept. 733);

S. 1837, to amend Trading With the Enemy Act to provide for the filing of surety bond by any person appealing the disposition of property, with amendment (S. Rept. 734);

H. R. 1997, to authorize a survey of a proposed Mississippi River Parkway for the purpose of determining the feasibility of same (S. Rept. 735);

S. 1891 and H. R. 1720, providing for conveyance of certain land in Missoula County, Mont., for use of Montana State University (S. Rept. 736); and

S. 1890, with amendment, and H. R. 2197, to authorize acquisition by county of Missoula, Mont., of certain lands for public use (S. Rept. 737). Page 9744

Monongahela River: Report of Chief of Engineers, U. S. Army, on review of reports on Monongahela River, W. Va. and Pa., was ordered printed as Senate Document 100, and it was referred to Committee on Public Works. Page 9750

Bills Referred: Twenty-two House-passed bills were referred to appropriate committees. Page 9750

Bill Rereferred: Committee on Rules and Administration was discharged from further consideration of S. 2143, providing for a memorial at the grave of Elizabeth Daniel, and it was rereferred to the Committee on the Judiciary. Page 9750

Bills Cleared for President: *House Sergeant at Arms:* Senate passed without amendment and cleared for the President H. J. Res. 298, providing for on-the-spot audits by GAO of fiscal records of House Sergeant at Arms.

Senate concurred in House amendments to the following bills, clearing them for the President:

Veterans' Pensions: S. 266, to permit a refund of pension or compensation withheld from an incompetent veteran while hospitalized when released as a competent veteran;

Veterans' Benefits: S. 811, relating to retroactive pensions and compensation benefits payable to disabled or deceased veterans of World War II who were prisoners of war;

VA Leases: S. 2010, to extend for one year the authority of the VA Administrator to enter into 5-year leases;

Explosives: S. 447, to amend CAA relative to transportation, packing, marking, and description of explosives; and

S. 584, private bill. Pages 9755–9756

Printing: H. Con. Res. 52, to provide for printing of additional copies of certain publications of Committee on Un-American Activities concerning communism, was adopted. Page 9755

Military Housing: Senate disagreed to House amendments to S. 1184, to encourage construction of rental housing at or in areas adjacent to military and naval installations, and asked for a conference. Senators Maybank, Sparkman, Douglas, Flanders, and Cain were appointed as conferees. Page 9756

Military Reorganization: Senate passed H. R. 5632, to reorganize fiscal management in the National Military Establishment to promote economy and efficiency, after substituting the language of S. 1843, to convert the National Military Establishment into an executive department to be known as the Department of Defense, and to establish the responsibility and authority of the Secretary of Defense (National Security Act Amendments of 1949). Pages 9751–9755

Bill Recommitted: H. R. 2944, to amend Civil Service Retirement Act of 1930 to provide survivorship benefits for widows or widowers of persons retiring under such act, was recommitted to the Committee on Post Office and Civil Service. Page 9750

Bill Postponed: H. R. 4466, removing certain restrictions on certain lands authorized to be conveyed to the trustees of Porter Academy, was indefinitely postponed, the Senate having previously passed S. 1742, a similar bill. Page 9756

North Atlantic Pact: Senate continued debate on the North Atlantic Pact. Pages 9762–9828

Confirmation: The nomination of Edward M. Webster, of D. C., to be a member of the FCC, was confirmed. Page 9828

Nominations: Thirty-eight promotions in the Regular Army were received on July 19. Page 9828

Committee Meetings

HOGS

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: In executive session, committee considered S. 1721, price support for hogs, but agreed to delay action on the bill awaiting outcome on farm legislation pending before the House and a report of the Senate Agriculture Subcommittee on the full Brannan farm program as embodied in S. 1971.

THIRD DEFICIENCY APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee continued hearings on H. R. 5300, third deficiency appropriations for 1949, receiving testimony from Senator Tydings on funds for removal of Naval Observatory; from Senator Kilgore, accompanied by two citizens of W. Va., on funds for War Claims Commission; from Senator Downey, and three city officials of Richmond, Calif., on proposed appropriations for community facilities under the FWA; and from Frank S. Walker and Donald S. Morrison, U. S. Maritime Commission, on legislative provisions in the bill involving charter, and inspection and survey of vessels.

HOUSING

Committee on Banking and Currency: Subcommittee, in executive session, discussed S. 2246, proposing amendments to the National Housing Act affecting mortgage insurance program administered by the FHA and the secondary market program of the Federal National Mortgage Association, and agreed to hold open hearings on the bill beginning July 26.

MISSISSIPPI RIVER PARKWAY AND PUBLIC LANDS

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: In executive session, committee voted to report without amendment H. R. 1997, to authorize a survey of proposed Mississippi River Parkway for the purpose of determining its feasibility;

S. 1891, providing for conveyance of certain land in Missoula County, Mont., for use of Montana State University;

And with amendment S. 1890, to authorize acquisition by county of Missoula, Mont., of certain lands for public use.

WHALING REGULATION

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee held hearings on S. 2080, to make effective the international convention for the regulation of whaling, receiving testimony in support of the bill from Dr. A. Remington Kellogg, Director, National Museum, Washington; Donald J. Chaney, chief counsel, Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior Department, accompanied by Dr. H. J. Deason; and Dr. Wilbert M. Chapman, special assistant (for Fisheries) to the Under Secretary of State.

IMMIGRATION—ASIATIC QUOTAS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee concluded hearings on H. R. 199, immigration quotas for Asiatic races, after the following witnesses expressed their views on the legislation: Delegate Farrington; Robert Collum, secretary, Committee on Equality in Naturalization for the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ of America; Col. James N. Hanley, an officer in Italy during the war; Y. B. Goto, University of Hawaii, speaking as a private citizen; Mike Masaoka, Japanese-American Citizens' League; Jack Chow and Edward Hong, Chinese Consolidated Benevolent Association of New York; Y. C. Hong, Chinese-American Citizens Alliance of San Francisco; Candido R. Palting, a Filipino, Washington, D. C.; A. A. Auftin, United Caribbean American Council; Leslie Perry, NAACP; Bertram L. Baker, attorney of New York representing Caribbean immigrants; and Representative Powell.

SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: In executive session the subcommittee considered school-construction bills pending before it, but made no announcement of action taken.

VETERANS

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee held hearings on several veterans bills, with Mrs. Marie Jordan, Gold Star Wives, testifying on S. 1511 and S. 1364, extend educational benefits under the Servicemen's Readjustment Act of 1944 to certain widows and children.

The following witnesses expressed their views on S. Con. Res. 8, to provide for encouragement by Government agencies of the study of foreign languages: Guy A. Birdsall, VA; Max Sherover, president, Linguaphone Institute, New York; Prof. Leon E. Dostert, Institute of Languages, Foreign Service School, Georgetown University; Col. G. P. Disonary, Air Force; Maj. G. R. Canary, Army; and Commander Martinean, Navy Department.

The following witnesses testified on S. 1150, and S. 1575, relative to tuition rates charged by schools accredited under the GI bill of rights: Guy Birdsall, VA; Representative Wheeler; Dr. J. S. Noffsinger, National Federation of Private Schools; Hiram Rasely, Burdett College, Boston; Eugene Rietzke, president, CREI; Paul Walter, National Radio School, Cleveland; Ben Totten, Mississippi Association Vocational Schools; Thomas L. Young, Baltimore Technical School; Dr. Torrence V. Lyon, Pennsylvania Association Private Vocational Schools; Paul Cope, National Association of State Approval Agencies, Oklahoma City; Stanley I. Posner, of Posner, Berge, Fox & Arent, New York; and Irvin A. Hoff, representing Senator Magnuson.

POSTAL BILLS

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Subcommittee held hearings on S. 2062, changing the laws to furnish a basis for reorganizing the Post Office Department; S. 2212, providing for improved financial control over the operations of the Post Office Department; and S. 2213, relating to the appointment of postmasters, with Postmaster General Donaldson, and Frank Weitzel, GAO, appearing to present the views of the Post Office Department and of the GAO on the proposed legislation.

RIVER AND HARBOR AND FLOOD CONTROL

Committee on Public Works: Continuing hearings on general flood-control and river and harbor bill, the subcommittee heard Senator McCarran testify in support of S. 1200, preliminary examination and survey of Gleason Creek, Robinson watershed, Nevada, and S. 1215, preliminary examination and survey of Martin Creek, Paradise Valley, Nev.: Senator McClellan and representatives of local organizations in support of the Ouachita River project, Arkansas; Senator Lodge, accompanied by other witnesses, in support of S. 253, survey of Merrimack and Connecticut Rivers and other rivers in New England, and S. 1657, preliminary examination and survey of Sesuit Harbor, Mass.; Senator Long in support of various Louisiana projects, including two embodied in S. 1547, extension of flood-control improvements in the parish of Orleans, La., and S. 2015, canal in Lake Providence, La.; and Senator Stennis on S. 2184, preliminary examination and survey of Hatchie and Tuscumbia Rivers, Miss. and Tenn. Hearings continue tomorrow.

PUBLIC WORKS

Committee on Public Works: In executive session, subcommittee agreed to report to the full committee, without amendment, S. 2116, to provide for the advanced planning of public works.

COMMITTEE PROCEDURE

Committee on Rules and Administration: Edward U. Condon, Director of National Bureau of Standards, testified before the subcommittee in support of the enactment of S. Con. Res. 2, relative to reform in procedure before congressional committees. Hearings continue tomorrow.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Fifteen public bills, H. R. 5689–5703; twelve private bills, H. R. 5704–5715; and five resolutions, H. J. Res. 313–315, H. Con. Res. 106, and H. Res. 288, were introduced. Pages 9872–9873

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

Five private bills, S. 111, 317, 905, H. R. 2921, and 4040 (H. Repts. 1076–1080, respectively);

H. J. Res. 302, to increase the compensation of certain D. C. employees so as to clarify the provisions relating to retired policemen and firemen (H. Rept. 1081);

S. 803, to convey a tract of land in Greenbelt, Md., to the State of Maryland for use as a site for a National Guard armory (H. Rept. 1082);

H. R. 1161, providing for the conversion, merger, or consolidation of national banks into State banks (H. Rept. 1083);

S. 1283, authorizing acquisition, construction, maintenance, and operation of public airports serving national parks, national monuments, and national recreation areas (H. Rept. 1084); and

H. R. 3829, to provide assistance to certain local school agencies overburdened with war-incurred enrollments where such agencies received similar assistance during any prior fiscal year (H. Rept. 1085). Page 9873

Indian Rehabilitation: Insisted on its amendment to S. 1407, to promote the rehabilitation of the Navajo and Hopi Tribes of Indians, agreed to a conference requested by the Senate, and appointed, as conferees, Representatives Morris, Murdock, White of Idaho, D'Ewart, and Lemke. Page 9828

Private Calendar: On the call of the Private Calendar the following bills were passed:

Cleared for the President: S. 40, 275, 897, 1080, 1266, 1330, 1405, 1429, and 1742.

Sent to the Senate without amendment: H. R. 660, 752, 1033, 1631, 1666, 2594, 2928, 3193, 3413, 3494, 3726, 3803, 4653, 5155, and 5160.

Sent to the Senate, amended: S. Con. Res. 28 and H. R. 627, 1474, 1799, 2628, 3300, 3837, and 5356.

Also adopted S. Con. Res. 29, 31, and 32.

Pages 9829–9836

Farm Program: Adopted H. Res. 283, providing for consideration of, waiving of points of order against, and 6 hours of debate on H. R. 5345, the Agricultural Act of 1949, also making in order as a substitute H. R. 5617. After debating the measure for nearly 5 hours, the House postponed further action until tomorrow.

Pages 9836–9872

Committee Meetings

HOME LOAN BANK BOARD

Committee on Banking and Currency: Held open hearings on H. R. 1732, 4710, 5595, and 4496, bills relating to the operations of the Home Loan Bank Board. Raymond M. Foley, Housing and Home Finance Administrator, referred to similar proposals introduced in the last Congress, and stated that during consideration of these proposals last year it developed that other agencies of Government, particularly the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, had some doubts as to the advisability of their adoption. In the meantime joint study has been in progress but complete agreement has not been reached.

William K. Divers, Chairman of the Home Loan Bank Board, commented upon separate provisions of the bills in question. He expressed opposition to most provisions in the bills or suggested that action be deferred until a more complete study could be made and differences among other agencies of the Government be coordinated. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

HOME RULE

Committee on the District of Columbia: Subcommittee on Judiciary resumed open hearings on home rule legislation. Testifying today were Jack Dolton, Amalgamated Casualty Insurance Co., Washington, D. C.; Morton Liftin, Industrial Union Council, CIO; and Vincent J. Brown, National Association for the Advancement of Colored People. Committee adjourned until Friday.

MARITIME COMMISSION

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Department: Approved the report of the Subcommittee on Government Operations relating to the study of the report of the General Accounting Office concerning the Maritime Commission, dated July 11, 1949.

UN WORLD FEDERATION

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Announced cancellation, until a later date, of scheduled hearings on concurrent resolutions relating to the development of the United Nations into a world federation.

MONOPOLY

Committee on the Judiciary: Special Subcommittee To Investigate Monopoly Power heard the testimony today of Dr. John Blair, Chief, Division of Economics, Federal Trade Commission; Adolph Berle, Jr., New York City, attorney and former Assistant Secretary of State; and Ellis Arnall, former Governor of Georgia.

PRIVATE BILLS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 1 considered but took no action on various private claim bills in executive session.

Subcommittee No. 3 considered bills pending before the group in an executive meeting, but took no action thereon.

GENERAL COUNSEL

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Voted unanimously to appoint John M. Drewry as general counsel of the committee. Also adopted a resolution to pay to the widow of Hugh A. Meade, former general counsel, 6 months' salary and funeral expenses.

TUNG NUTS—SCHOOL AID—PUBLIC WORKS—VIRGIN ISLANDS

Committee on Rules: Granted open rule providing for 1 hour debate on H. R. 29, providing parity for tung nuts. Representatives Colmer, Granger, and Gathings spoke in favor of the rule.

Granted open rule providing for 1 hour debate on H. R. 3829, providing assistance for local school agencies in furnishing educational opportunities for children on Federal reservations or in defense areas. Representative Lesinski spoke on behalf of this legislation.

Considered, but postponed action on, rules for H. R. 5472, rivers and harbors and flood-control bill, and H. R. 2988, providing for a Resident Commissioner from the Virgin Islands. Representatives Whittington, Dondero, and Pickett urged the rule for the first-mentioned bill; and Representatives Peterson and Crawford and Governor Hastings of the Virgin Islands spoke in support of the Virgin Islands measure, with Representative Miller of Nebraska testifying in opposition to the bill and the rule. Will continue on these subjects at tomorrow morning's executive meeting.

SOCIAL SECURITY

Committee on Ways and Means: Held further executive consideration of revisions on Social Security Act and will resume meetings on this subject Friday morning.

Joint Committee Meetings

ATOMIC ENERGY

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Committee met in executive session with Secretary of State Acheson, Secretary of Defense Johnson, members of the AEC, and General Eisenhower for the purpose of discussing international relations in the field of atomic energy.

ARMY CIVIL-FUNCTIONS APPROPRIATIONS

Conferees on H. R. 3734, Army civil-functions appropriations for 1950, met in executive session to work out differences between House- and Senate-passed versions of the bill, but failed to reach final agreement. Conferees meet again tomorrow.

Thursday, July 21, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

By a vote of 82 to 13 Senate ratified North Atlantic Pact.
Gore substitute bill extending present farm program passed by House.
Senate group voted to report bills on FCC, radio laboratory, and whaling.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 9879–9923

Bills Introduced: Ten bills were introduced, as follows: S. 2299 to S. 2308. Pages 9917–9918

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 2298, to authorize the VA to convey certain land and to lease certain other land to Milwaukee County, Wis. (S. Rept. 738);

S. J. Res. 79, participation in International Exposition for the Bicentennial of the Founding of Port-au-Prince, Haiti, with amendment (S. Rept. 739);

S. J. Res. 3, to provide for use of World War I debt payments by Finland for educational and technical instruction and training in the U. S. for citizens of Finland, with amendments (S. Rept. 740);

S. 1973, to amend the FCC Act of 1934 to prescribe rules and organizations for the FCC, regulations for FCC, hearing license applications, and for enforcement of FCC orders, with amendment (S. Rept. 741); and

Minority views on H. R. 195, cigarette sales tax (pt. II of S. Rept. 644). Page 9917

Bills Referred: Twenty-two House-passed bills were referred to appropriate committees. Page 9918

Bill Rereferred: Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs was discharged from further consideration of H. R. 5365, transferring vessel *Black Mallard* to State of Louisiana for use and benefit of department of wildlife and fisheries of such State, which was then rereferred to Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce. Page 9918

Independent Offices Appropriations: Senator O'Mahoney submitted motion to suspend rules for offering of an amendment to H. R. 4177, independent offices appropriations for 1950, so as to bar any fellowships under AEC to subversives, and providing criminal penalties for violation. Page 9918

ICC: Senate concurred in House amendment to S. 256, an omnibus bill to amend the Interstate Commerce Act, clearing the bill for the President. Page 9919

North Atlantic Pact: Senate by 82 to 13 adopted resolution of ratification of North Atlantic Pact, after rejecting three reservations thereto, as follows:

By 21 yeas to 74 nays, Wherry-Taft-Watkins reservation providing that article 3 of the pact would not commit any party to furnish to another party any arms, including atomic bombs or information relating to atomic bombs; by 11 yeas to 84 nays, Watkins reservation providing that U. S. assumes no obligation respecting security of North Atlantic area or to assist any party in such area with armed forces in the absence of congressional authorization; and Watkins reservation providing that in event of attack upon any party, U. S. shall not be obligated or committed to declare war or authorize use of U. S. forces against attacker, but shall have complete freedom to act as Congress shall determine. Pages 9879–9916

Minimum Wage: S. 653, minimum-wage increase, was made the unfinished business, but was temporarily put aside for consideration of H. R. 4830, foreign-aid appropriations for 1950. Pages 9919–9921

Confirmation: The nomination of Edward B. Lawson, D. C., to be Minister to Iceland, was confirmed. Pages 9916, 9923

Nominations: A total of 236 nominations were received, of which 157 are in the Army, 75 in the Marine Corps, and 4 to civilian posts, including that of Philip M. Kaiser, Virginia, to be Assistant Secretary of Labor. Pages 9922–9923

Committee Meetings

CORN EXPORTS

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Subcommittee heard the following witnesses discuss corn exports and the use of corn in Germany and other European countries: Harry Hunter, secretary, American Corn Millers' Federation, Chicago; William McCarthy, Grain Branch, and Stanley Andrews, Division of Foreign Agricultural Relations, both of the Department of Agriculture. Hearings continue tomorrow.

STOCK-PILING PROGRAM

Committee on Appropriations: In executive session, committee considered funds for stock-piling program, but made no announcement of action taken.

MILITARY AND NAVAL CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Armed Services: Committee heard Secretary of Defense Johnson and Gen. Lewis A. Pick, Chief of Army Engineers, testify in support of the sections relating to the Army embodied in S. 1875, authorizing construction of military and naval installations, including military housing, family quarters, and public utilities, as well as special weapons projects in and outside of continental U. S. Hearings continue tomorrow.

REORGANIZATION PLANS NOS. 1 AND 2

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Committee heard testimony in support of Reorganization Plan No. 1, providing for a Department of Welfare, from Frank Pace, Director of the Bureau of the Budget, and Oscar Ewing, FSA Administrator. Director Pace told the committee that "in my judgment and that of the President, this plan is a major step in improving the organization of the Government." Mr. Ewing urged that the plan be allowed "to become effective because departmental status will enable us to perform more effectively the functions that Congress has imposed upon us."

Col. George E. Ijams, director of national rehabilitation service, VFW, testified that he was opposed to any plan which would take from the control of the VA and place in another department the essential medical and hospital functions in connection with veterans' care.

In the case of Reorganization Plan No. 2, to transfer the Bureau of Employment Security (USES and UCS) from the FSA to the Department of Labor, Mr. Pace stated that the President has long believed that these programs can best be administered by the Department of Labor. Mr. Ewing also discussed Plan No. 2, stating that he gave his wholehearted support to it. Hearings continue tomorrow.

MILWAUKEE COUNTY

Committee on Finance: In executive session, committee voted to report without amendment S. 2298, to authorize the VA to convey certain land and to lease certain other land to Milwaukee County, Wis.

BUREAU OF RECLAMATION INVESTIGATION

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Committee opened hearings on its investigation of the Bureau of Reclamation, with Senator Downey testifying on the administration of the Bureau. Hearings continue tomorrow.

POLSON, MONT.

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: W. L. Miller, Bureau of Indian Affairs, appeared before the subcommittee to testify in support of H. R. 2869 (S. 926), to authorize appropriation in aid of a system of drainage and sanitation for the city of Polson, Mont.

SAN LUIS VALLEY, COLO.

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Gene Breitenstein, attorney for Conejos Conservancy District, and for the Colorado Water Conservation Board, appeared before the subcommittee to testify in support of S. 1385, providing that excess-land provisions of Federal reclamation laws should not apply to certain lands that will receive a supplemental water supply from the San Luis Valley project, Colorado.

Wesley R. Nelson, Assistant Commissioner of the Bureau of Reclamation, appeared in opposition to the bill.

FCC, RADIO LABORATORY, FPC, AND WHALING

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: In executive session, committee voted to report with amendment S. 1973, to amend the FCC Act of 1934 to prescribe rules and organizations for the FCC, regulations for FCC, hearing license applications, and for enforcement of FCC orders; and S. 2080, to make effective the International Convention for the Regulation of Whaling.

It tentatively agreed also to report with amendment S. 443, to authorize construction and equipment of a radio laboratory for the National Bureau of Standards; and without amendment S. J. Res. 58, provide for rehearing of Bellows Falls Hydroelectric Corp., and a review of any FPC order therein.

PRIVATE BILL

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee held hearings on H. R. 683, private bill.

VETERANS

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee held hearings on the following three veterans' bills: S. 2146, additional allowance for veterans paralyzed from service-connected brain injuries; S. 1451, to amend the Servicemen's Readjustment Act of 1944 to assist veterans defaulting on GI insured home and farm loans through no fault of their own; and S. 616, to assist veterans to borrow funds from established lending institutions for the acquisition of homes.

The following witnesses expressed their views on S. 2146: Senator Morse; Guy A. Birdsall, VA; Joseph E. Clorety, Jr., AVC; Omar B. Ketchum, VFW; and Cicero F. Hogan, DAV.

The following witnesses expressed their views on S. 1451: Senators Tobey and Baldwin; Guy A. Birdsall, VA; Eldon Wellingford, Security Life Insurance Association of America, New York; Robert R. Peston, American Legion; and Omar B. Ketchum, VFW.

The following testified on S. 616: Representative Holifield; Walter Alessandroni and John Thomas Taylor, both of American Legion; Guy A. Birdsall, VA; Omar B. Ketchum, VFW; Charles Fleming, Coast Guard League; Robert F. Bonamarte, Fleet Reserve Association; and Dave Foutz, Veterans Organizations Council of Altadena, Calif.

VILLAGE LETTER CARRIERS

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Subcommittee held hearings on S. 1478, S. 1479, and S. 1480, relating to village letter carriers, with William C. Doherty, president, National Association of Letter Carriers, and Thomas G. Walter, legislative representative, Government Employees Council, testifying in support of the bills.

Senator Frear, who introduced the bills, also appeared in support of them.

RIVER AND HARBOR AND FLOOD CONTROL

Committee on Public Works: Continuing hearings on H. R. 5472, general flood-control and river and harbor bill, the subcommittee heard the following testify in support of the Green-Duwamish River in Washington: Senators Magnuson and Cain; Col. H. C. Gee, of Army engineers; and Christie Thomas, Seattle Chamber of Commerce.

The following witnesses testified in support of the Columbia River Basin project: Senators Magnuson, Morse, Miller, and Taylor; Representative White of Idaho; and Roger McWhorter, International Boundary Commission. Charles R. Little, Ohio Valley Conservation and Flood Control Congress, appeared in support of the Ohio Valley Basin project; and John N. Luther, Flood Control Association, appeared in support of the Sacramento River, Calif., project. Hearings continue tomorrow.

COMMITTEE PROCEDURE

Committee on Rules and Administration: Subcommittee continued hearings on S. Con. Res. 2, relative to reform in procedure before congressional committees, with the following witnesses testifying generally in support of the measure, but suggesting various amendments: Lewis G. Hines, legislative representative of the AFL; Charles M. LaFollette, national director of Americans for Democratic Action; and Bernard Weitzer, national legislative representative of the Jewish War Veterans.

George Meader, attorney of Washington, and former counsel for Senate Special Committee To Investigate National Defense Program, appeared in opposition to the bill. Subcommittee adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Ten public bills, H. R. 5716–5725; four private bills, H. R. 5726–5729; and five resolutions, H. J. Res. 316 and H. Res. 289–292, were introduced.

Pages 9967–9968

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. Res. 289, providing for consideration of, and 1 hour of debate on, H. R. 29, to amend the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938, to provide parity for tung nuts (H. Rept. 1086);

Eight private bills, H. R. 584, 1020, 1600, 3536, 4414, 5019, 5148, and 5525 (H. Repts. 1087–1094, respectively);

H. R. 4569, authorizing the transfer of Fort Des Moines, Iowa, to the State of Iowa, amended (H. Rept. 1095);

H. R. 2733, to authorize the construction, operation, and maintenance by the Secretary of the Interior of the Canadian River reclamation project in Texas, amended (H. Rept. 1096);

Three private bills (H. R. 1871, 4042, and 5276 (H. Repts. 1097–1099, respectively);

S. 1285, to authorize progressive partial payments to sponsors under the Federal Airport Act program (H. Rept. 1100);

H. R. 4239, to amend section 6 of the Federal Airport Act relative to percentage of appropriated funds apportioned among the States on a population and area formula (H. Rept. 1101);

Three private bills, H. R. 219, 2457, and 3252 (H. Repts. 1102–1104, respectively);

Second intermediate report of Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments on inquiry into certain operations of Institute of Inter-American Affairs Group of Corporations based on General Accounting Office audit reports (H. Rept. 1105);

H. Res. 292, providing for consideration of, and 1 hour of general debate on, H. R. 3829, to provide assistance for local school agencies in providing educational opportunities for children on Federal reservations or in defense areas (H. Rept. 1106); and

Conference report on H. R. 2021, to provide increased pensions for widows and children of deceased members and retired members of the D. C. Police Department and Fire Department (H. Rept. 1107).

Pages 9925, 9965, 9967

Military Reorganization: Disagreed to Senate amendments to H. R. 5632, to reorganize fiscal management in the National Military Establishment to promote economy and efficiency, requested a conference with the Senate, and appointed as conferees Representatives Vinson, Brooks, Kilday, Durham, Short, Arends, and Cole of New York. (Representative Cole was later replaced as a conferee by Representative Bates of Massachusetts.)

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Military Rental Housing: Insisted on its amendment to S. 1184, to encourage construction of rental housing on or in areas adjacent to Army, Navy, Marine Corps, and Air Force installations, agreed to a conference requested by the Senate, and appointed Representatives Spence, Brown of Georgia, Patman, Monroney, Wolcott, Gamble, and Smith of Ohio as conferees on the part of the House.

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Postal Employees: Announcement was made of a sufficient number of signatures to discharge motion No. 8, to discharge the Committee on Post Office and Civil Service from further consideration of H. R. 4495, to provide additional benefits for certain postmasters, officers, and employees in the postal field service with respect to annual and sick leave, longevity pay, and promotion.

Pages 9966–9967

Farm Program: After defeating a recommittal motion, the House passed, 383 yeas to 25 nays, H. R. 5345, the Agricultural Act of 1949 amended to embody the text of H. R. 5617 (the Gore amendment to extend for 1 year the present farm program). Prior to adoption of the Gore amendment, it was amended to—

Provide price supports to producers of cottonseed.
Provide price supports to producers of mohair.
Provide for the repeal of the Aiken Act (Pub. Law 897, 80th Cong.).
Extend by 3 months the period for price supports of Maryland and cigar types of tobacco.

An amendment was offered as a substitute for the Gore amendment by Mr. Pace which was a modified version of H. R. 5345 in that it limited to 2 years and

specified the three commodities as Irish potatoes, eggs, and shorn wool (including mohair) on which the new program would be tried. This amendment was rejected in the Committee of the Whole on a teller vote.

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Committee Meetings

HOME LOAN BANK BOARD

Committee on Banking and Currency: Postponed hearings on H. R. 1732, 4710, 5595, and 4496, bills relating to the operations of the Home Loan Bank Board, until a later date, and will meet again at the call of the Chair.

FAIR EMPLOYMENT PRACTICES

Committee on Education and Labor: Accepted the report of the Powell subcommittee on the Fair Employment Practices Act and announced that consideration of the report and bill will be given at a meeting of the committee on Friday, July 29.

MARITIME COMMISSION—INTER-AMERICAN AFFAIRS

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Chairman Hardy announced that his Government Operations Subcommittee will begin public hearings on August 8 to consider the special audit report of the General Accounting Office relating to the U. S. Maritime Commission in the operation of its ships subsidy program.

The full committee yesterday approved the report of this subcommittee on inquiry into certain operations of the Institute on Inter-American Affairs Group of Corporations based on GAO reports.

INTERNATIONAL GROUPS

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Morgan special subcommittee considered legislation to amend certain laws providing for membership and participation by the United States in specified international organizations. Witnesses appearing were Durward V. Sandifer, Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for United Nations Affairs; Dr. Leonard A. Scheele, Surgeon General, Public Health Service; Arnold Zempel, Acting Director, Office of International Labor Affairs, Department of Labor; and William A. Minor, Assistant to the Secretary of Agriculture. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

HAWAIIAN BONDS

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Territorial and Insular Possessions approved for reporting to the full committee the following bills: H. R. 4686, issuance of public improvement bonds in Hawaii; H. R. 4966, issuance of sewer bonds by city and county of Honolulu; H. R. 4967, issuance of public park bonds by city and county of Honolulu; H. R. 4968, issuance of flood-control bonds by city and county of Honolulu; H. R. 5459, issuance of improvement-district bonds, Honolulu; H. R. 5489, ratifying Act 251, Session Laws of Hawaii; and H. R. 5490, issuance of public-improvement bonds in county of Kauai. Irwin W. Silverman, chief counsel, Division of Territories, Department of the Interior, spoke in favor of all these bond measures.

Also considered, but took no action on, H. R. 5088, construction of a cement plant in Alaska. Speaking in support of this bill were William E. Warne, Assistant Secretary of the Interior; Perry Brown, national commander, American Legion; and William O. Hillman, Assistant Chief, Overseas Construction Branch, Corps of Engineers. Subcommittee adjourned subject to the call of the Chair.

FORT RENO

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Indian Affairs considered, but took no final action on, H. R. 4756, set aside certain lands known as Fort Reno, Okla., for Cheyenne-Arapaho Tribes. James V. Bennett, Director, Bureau of Prisons, Department of Justice, expressed the Department's need for additional land for prison at Fort Reno, and William Zimmerman, Department of the Interior, also testified. Subcommittee will meet again on July 29.

BILLS AWAITING RULES

Committee on Rules: Considered, but took no final action on, granting rules for the following bills:

S. J. Res. 53, providing reforestation and revegetation for forest and range lands in national forests;

H. Res. 272, creating a select committee to investigate and study private trade schools and private business schools and colleges at which veterans are enrolled under the GI bill of rights;

H. R. 331, to provide for admission of Alaska into the Union;

H. R. 2392, to provide for the liquidation of trust funds now held by the Secretary of Agriculture in the name of State rural rehabilitation corporations;

H. R. 2988, to provide for a Resident Commissioner from the Virgin Islands;

H. R. 4295, extra benefits to civil service annuitants who retired prior to April 1, 1948; and

H. R. 5472, authorizing the construction, repair, and preservation of certain public works on rivers and harbors for navigation, flood control, and other purposes. Representatives Murdock and Welch of California spoke on behalf of a proposed amendment to this rivers and harbors and flood-control bill. The committee is tentatively scheduled to meet again on Tuesday, July 26.

Joint Committee Meetings

ARMY CIVIL-FUNCTIONS APPROPRIATIONS

Conferees on H. R. 3734, Army civil-functions appropriations for 1950, met in executive session to work out differences between House- and Senate-passed versions of the bill, but failed to reach final agreement. Conferees adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

Friday, July 22, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate debated foreign-aid appropriations.

Senate groups acted on stock-piling program, and voted to report veterans' hospital construction, and public works bills, and fisheries conventions.

Bills on military housing construction and advance public-works planning ordered reported by House committees.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 9969–9981

Bills Introduced: Twelve bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 2309 to S. 2320; and S. Res. 140. Pages 9970–9971

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. J. Res. 188, providing for coinage of a medal in recognition of the distinguished services of Vice President Barkley (S. Rept. 742);

S. 672, providing educational benefits to veterans who enlisted before October 6, 1945, on the same basis as those who enlisted within 1 year after October 6, 1945 (S. Rept. 743);

S. 1387, naming a veterans' hospital at West Haven, Conn., with amendment (S. Rept. 744);

H. R. 4146, Military Establishment appropriations for 1950, with amendments (S. Rept. 745);

S. Res. 136, requesting Government departments for reports on public works projects for which funds are not available for construction (S. Rept. 746);

H. R. 2214, providing for development and maintenance of the Suitland Parkway as an extension of the D. C. park system (S. Rept. 747);

S. 2319, to promote world peace by providing financial aid to Korea (S. Rept. 748); and

H. R. 5238, to authorize the adjustment of the lineal positions of certain officers of the naval service (no written report). Page 9970

Bill Referred: One House-passed bill was referred to appropriate committee. Page 9971

Foreign-Aid Appropriations: Senate began debate of H. R. 4830, foreign-aid appropriations for 1950.

Pages 9968–9969, 9981–9989

Nominations: One civilian, 38 Navy, and 220 Regular Army nominations were received. Pages 10010–10011

Committee Meetings

CORN EXPORTS AND FATS AND OILS

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Subcommittee continued its hearings on corn exports and the use of corn in Germany and other European countries, receiving testimony on the subject from E. M. Cronk and Raymond E. Vickery, both of the Army, and Roger Stewart, ECA.

George M. Strayer, American Soy Bean Association, Hudson, Iowa, and Ray Iberg, United Farmers' of America, Highlands, Ill., also appeared to discuss the existing fats and oils situation in the U. S., including mention of exports and imports of fats and oils. Subcommittee continues July 25.

STOCK-PILING PROGRAM

Committee on Appropriations: In executive session, the committee considered funds for stock-piling program and agreed to offer an amendment to the national military appropriations bill for 1950 (H. R. 4146) to reduce contract authorizations for that purpose already authorized by $275,000,000, leaving a total of $245,000,000 of contract authorizations for stock-piling purposes.

MILITARY AND NAVAL CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Armed Services: Capt. Joseph F. Jelley, U. S. Navy, testified in support of the section relating to the Navy embodied in S. 1875, military public works bill, authorizing construction of military and naval installations, including military housing, family quarters, and public utilities, as well as special weapons projects in and outside of continental U. S. Hearings continue July 25.

REORGANIZATION PLAN NO. 1

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Continuing hearings on Reorganization Plan No. 1, providing for a Department of Welfare, the committee received testimony in opposition to the plan from the following witnesses: Dr. J. R. Miller, member of the board of trustees, AMA; Dr. E. Harold Gale and Dr. Francis J. Garvey, both of the American Dental Association; J. J. Monfort, Batesville, Ark., councilor of the Arkansas Medical Society; Dr. Robert Young, American Association of Physicians and Surgeons, Chicago; and Dr. Marjorie Shearon, editor, American Medicine and the Political Scene, Washington.

Miss Elizabeth Wickerten, Washington representative of the American Public Welfare Association, ap-

peared in support of the plan. Hearings continue July 28.

U. S. CLAIMS, FISHERIES CONVENTIONS, AND NIAGARA FALLS BRIDGE

Committee on Foreign Relations: In executive session, committee voted to report without amendment H. J. Res. 208, to amend the resolution creating the Niagara Falls Bridge Commission, and three conventions on fisheries as follows: The International Convention for the Northwest Atlantic Fisheries; the Convention between the United States of America and United Mexican States for the Establishment of an International Commission for the Scientific Investigation of Tuna; and the Convention Between the United States of America and the Republic of Costa Rica for the Establishment of an Inter-American Tropical Tuna Commission.

Committee also considered but took no final action on H. R. 4406, settlement of U. S. claims against foreign governments.

BUREAU OF RECLAMATION INVESTIGATION

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Committee continued its hearings on its investigation of the Bureau of Reclamation, with Senator Downey giving further testimony on the administration of the Bureau. Hearings continue July 27.

VERMEJO RECLAMATION PROJECT

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Subcommittee heard Wesley R. Nelson, Assistant Commissioner, and George Tomlinson, Branch of Project Planning, both of the Bureau of Reclamation, and Robert T. Lingle, superintendent of Maxwell Irrigation Co., N. Mex., testify in support of S. 1382, authorizing Secretary of Interior, to construct, operate, and maintain the Vermejo reclamation project, New Mexico.

INDIANS

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Subcommittee heard the following witnesses testify in support of S. 17, issuance of patents for certain lands to certain settlers in the Pyramid Lake Indian Reservation, Nev.: Albert Alex and James E. Curry, attorney, Pyramid Lake Indian Reservation, and William Zimmerman, Acting Commissioner of Bureau of Indian Affairs.

LAND AND WATER TRANSPORTATION

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee met in executive session to consider domestic land and water transportation in pursuance of S. Res. 50, as it relates to an investigation of domestic land and water transportation.

VETERANS AND HOSPITAL CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: In executive session, the committee voted to report the following bills: With amendments, S. 1741, extending unemployment allowances of GI bill of rights (there were various amendments, including one to extend the law for 1 year and to eliminate the section of the bill devoted to self-employed persons); and S. 614, to amend the Hospital Survey and Construction Act, increasing amounts of funds and defining their distribution.

Committee voted to report without amendment, S. 672, providing educational benefits to veterans who enlisted before October 6, 1945, on the same basis as those who enlisted within 1 year after October 6, 1945; S. 1387, naming a veterans' hospital at West Haven, Conn.; S. 2146, additional allowance for veterans paralyzed from service-connected brain injuries; and S. 2160, to authorize annual and sick leave with pay for commissioned officers of the Public Health Service.

PUBLIC WORKS, POST OFFICE FACILITIES, PARKWAY AND PUBLIC WORK PROJECTS

Committee on Public Works: In executive session, committee voted to report favorably to the Senate the following bills without amendment: S. 2116, to authorize an appropriation of $100,000,000 for advance planning of public works; H. R. 1154, to provide authorization for additional funds for the extension and improvement of post-office facilities at Los Angeles; H. R. 2214, providing for development and maintenance of the Suitland Parkway as an extension of the D. C. park system; S. 855, authorizing a program of useful public works for the development of Alaska; and S. Res. 136, requesting Government departments for reports on public works projects for which funds are not available for construction.

RIVER AND HARBOR AND FLOOD CONTROL

Committee on Public Works: Subcommittee continued hearings on H. R. 5472, general flood-control and river and harbor bill, with the following witnesses testifying in support of the respective projects, as follows: Representative Peterson for Hudson River project, Fla.; Senators Hoey and Graham for the Pasquotank River and Oregon Inlet, both in North Carolina; Senator Ives, accompanied by Horace S. Evans and others of Corning, N. Y., for Monkey Run and Port Bay, both in New York; Senator Hendrickson on Shrewsbury River, N. Y.; Delegate Farrington for the Kawaihae Harbor, T. H.; and Senator Williams for waterway from Indian River Inlet to Rehoboth Bay, Del. Hearings continue July 25.

CONGRESSIONAL BUDGETARY MATTERS

Committee on Rules and Administration: Subcommittee, in executive session, heard Senators Wherry, Saltonstall, and Butler testify in support of the passage of S. Con. Res. 38, to amend the Congressional Reorganization Act regarding budgetary matters.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Six public bills, H. R. 5730–5735; two private bills, H. R. 5736 and 5737; and five resolutions, H. J. Res. 317–320, and H. Res. 293, were introduced. Page 10047

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. R. 2365, a private bill (H. Rept. 1108); and

H. R. 2538, to authorize completion of land development and settlement of Angostura unit of the Missouri Basin project, notwithstanding a limitation of time (H. Rept. 1109). Page 10047

Special Orders: Under special orders, Representatives Gossett and Davis of Georgia addressed the House on anti-poll-tax legislation and Representative Tackett spoke on pork-barrel politics.

Pages 10027–10031, 10037–10042, 10045–10046

Committee Meetings

COTTON MARKETING QUOTAS

Committee on Agriculture: The Cotton Subcommittee approved for reporting to the full committee a clean bill, to be introduced in lieu of H. R. 5392, amending the cotton marketing quota provisions of the Agricultural Adjustment Act.

MILITARY CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Armed Services: Ordered reported to the House H. R. 4766, authorizing an appropriation for housing and public works requirements for the National Military Establishment.

HOME RULE

Committee on the District of Columbia: The Judiciary Subcommittee heard testimony from the following witnesses at today's hearings on home-rule legislation: Representative Hobbs; Dr. Marshall L. Shepard, D. C. Recorder of Deeds; and Elmer E. Batzell, representing the MacArthur Boulevard Citizens Association. Hearings will be continued Monday morning.

LABOR STUDY—MINERS—RECREATION

Committee on Education and Labor: The Kelley subcommittee reported the following bills to the full committee: H. J. Res. 24, to create a Temporary Labor Relations Commission to make a study and recommendations concerning labor relations; H. R. 3023, providing for the welfare of coal miners; and H. R. 2026, to assist the States in the development of community recreation programs for the people of the United States.

INTER-AMERICAN AFFAIRS

Committee on Foreign Affairs: The Mansfield special subcommittee approved for reporting to the full committee H. R. 5730, a clean bill introduced in lieu of H. R. 2957, amending the Institute of Inter-American Affairs Act.

INTERNATIONAL GROUPS

Committee on Foreign Affairs: The Morgan special subcommittee heard the following witnesses on legislation to amend certain laws providing for membership and participation by the United States in specified international organizations: D. V. Sandifer, Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for United Nations Affairs, Arnold Zempel, Acting Director of the Office of International Labor Affairs, Department of Labor; W. A. Minor, assistant to the Secretary, Department of Agriculture; Dr. P. V. Cardon, Administrator, Agricultural Research Administration, Department of Agriculture; and Robert Robbins, Acting Assistant Chief of Division of Dependent Areas Affairs, Department of State.

SCHOOL HEALTH SERVICES

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee on Public Health, Science, and Commerce considered the subject of school health services and will resume on the same topic at Monday morning's meeting.

MONOPOLY

Committee on the Judiciary: The Subcommittee To Investigate Monopoly Power heard Walton Hamilton, attorney and economist, Washington, D. C., and Dr. Lazare Teper, research director, International Ladies Garment Workers Union. Hearings by this subcommittee will be held on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday of next week.

FEDERAL PAY RAISE

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: The following Members of Congress testified before the Murray subcommittee on the subject of Federal and postal pay raises: Representatives Talle, Christopher, Price, McGuire, Tauriello, White of Idaho, McSweeney, Lanham, Madden, Lemke, Bennett of Florida, Preston, O'Hara of Illinois, Tackett, Crawford, Edwin Arthur Hall, Blatnik, Crosser, and Davenport. Hearings will be continued on Monday.

PUBLIC WORKS PLANNING

Committee on Public Works: Ordered a clean bill reported to the House providing $100 million for advance planning of public works for a 2-year period.

SOCIAL SECURITY

Committee on Ways and Means: Considered further the proposed amendments to the Social Security Act and will resume executive meetings on this subject Monday morning.

Monday, July 25, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

Both Houses received President's message on military aid to foreign countries.
Senate debated foreign-aid appropriations.
House debated anti-poll-tax bill.
Numerous noncontroversial bills ordered reported to Senate.
Bills on Finnish war debts, extension of Inter-American Affairs Institute, and strategic mineral studies ordered reported by House committees.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 10048–10059

Bills Introduced: Six bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 2321 to S. 2326; and S. Con. Res. 55. Pages 10049–10050

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 855, authorizing a program of useful public works for the development of Alaska, with amendments (S. Rept. 749);

H. R. 1154, to provide authorization for additional funds for the extension and improvement of post-office facilities at Los Angeles (S. Rept. 750);

S. 2116, to authorize an appropriation of $100,000,000 for advance planning of public works, with amendments (S. Rept. 751);

S. 2294, to amend the Contract Settlement Act of 1944 regarding compensation to persons contracting to deliver certain strategic or critical minerals (S. Rept. 761);

S. 603, to amend Trading With the Enemy Act, to permit the President to designate organizations as successors in interest to deceased persons who would have been eligible to receive returns under certain sections of the act, with amendments (S. Rept. 784);

S. 2146, additional allowance for veterans paralyzed from service-connected brain injuries, with amendments (S. Rept. 785);

H. R. 3440, to add certain lands to Rocky Mountain National Park, Colo., with amendments (S. Rept. 786);

Minority views on S. J. Res. 108, to reduce expenditures in the Government for the fiscal year 1950 (pt. 2 of S. Rept. 498);

And the following private bills: S. 212, 296, 309, 557, 794, 916, 1145, 1446, 1565, S. Con. Res. 55, H. R. 748, 1017, 1034, 1055, 1282, 1459, 1857, 2095, 2239, 2253, 2456, 2806, 2807, 3461, 3501, 631, 1285, 1505, 1604, S. 1604, and 472 (S. Repts. 752–760, and 762–783, respectively). Pages 10048–10049

President's Message: President transmitted recommendations for military aid to foreign nations. Pages 10057, 10121–10124

Treaties Reported: The following treaties were favorably reported: International Convention for Northwest Atlantic Fisheries, Executive N (Ex. Rept. 10); Convention Between U. S. and Mexico for Establishment of an International Commission for the Scientific Investigation of Tuna, Executive K (Ex. Rept. 11); and Convention Between U. S. and Costa Rica for the Establishment of an Inter-American Tropical Tuna Commission, Executive P (Ex. Rept. 11). Page 10050

Military Reorganization: Senate agreed to a conference on H. R. 5632, to reorganize fiscal management in the National Military Establishment to promote economy and efficiency, and appointed as conferees Senators Tydings, Russell, Byrd, Chapman, Bridges, Gurney, and Saltonstall. Page 10057

D. C. Policemen and Firemen: Conference report on H. R. 2021, to increase pension for widows and children of deceased and retired members of D. C. Police and Fire Departments, was adopted. Page 10057

Foreign-Aid Appropriations: Senate worked on H. R. 4830, foreign-aid appropriations for 1950, taking action as follows on committee amendment providing $344,000 for so-called congressional watch-dog committee: The committee amendment was eliminated by point of order as legislation on an appropriation bill; a modified amendment by Senator Lucas to provide $200,000 for this committee was rejected by 30 yeas to 41 nays; and then a modified amendment by Senator McCarran on behalf of the committee, to provide the original amount of $344,000, was adopted by voice vote. Pages 10059–10088

Nominations: A total of 328 nominations were received, of which 11 are in the Air Force and 317 in the Post Office Department. One postmaster nomination was withdrawn. Pages 10089–10091

Committee Meetings

FATS AND OILS

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Subcommittee, continuing its study of the fats and oils situation in the U. S., heard the following witnesses discuss the uses of fats and oils in the soap industry: E. H. Little, president; J. H. Blakney, vice president; H. F. Elberfeld, vice president; and H. W. Reynolds, general counsel, all of the Colgate-Palmolive-Peet Corp., Jersey City, N. J.

THIRD DEFICIENCY APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee heard the following witnesses give testimony on the respective items in connection with H. R. 5300, third deficiency appropriations for 1949: Senator Cain, on Coast Guard Reserve; Jess Larson, Administrator, and Philip Asher, both of General Services Administration, on funds for General Services Administration; Alfred N. Krebs, counsel, and Samuel B. Schell, both of National Federation of Shipping, Inc., on section devoted to U. S. Maritime Commission; Mrs. Elizabeth Sasuly, Food, Tobacco, and Agricultural Workers of America, CIO, on NLRB; and Harry V. Hayden, national legislative representative, American Legion, on the War Claims Commission. Subcommittee adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

MILITARY AND NAVAL CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Armed Services: Col. Colby M. Myers, Deputy Director of Installation, Department of Air Force, appeared before the committee in justification of the section of the bill devoted to the Air Force, as embodied in S. 1875, military public works bill, authorizing construction of military and naval installations, including military housing, family quarters, and public utilities, as well as special-weapons projects in and outside of continental U. S. Hearings continue tomorrow.

COAL INDUSTRY LABOR NEGOTIATIONS

Committee on Banking and Currency: Committee heard the following witnesses testify on the effect of the proposed coal "czar" appointment, and the 3-day workweek in the coal mines, on independent coal producers and consumer prices: Harry M. Moses, president, H. C. Frick Coke Co., Pittsburgh; George H. Love, president, Pittsburgh Consolidation Coal Co.; and John D. Battle, executive vice president, National Coal Association, Washington, D. C. The witnesses were questioned on allegations of labor monopolies which, in effect, control production of coal. Hearings continue tomorrow.

MUTUAL SAVINGS BANKS—HOLC

Committee on Banking and Currency: Subcommitttee held hearings on S. 1175, to amend the Home Owners Loan Act of 1933 to permit Federal savings and loan associations to convert into mutual savings banks, with Oscar LaRoque, Federal Home Loan Bank Board, appearing in support of the bill if amended to require continued insurance of shares and deposits.

Horace Russell, general counsel, U. S. Savings and Loan League, appeared in opposition to the bill.

Joseph E. Perry, president, National Association of Mutual Savings Banks, testified in support of the bill.

REORGANIZATION PLAN NO. 2

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Committee held hearings on Reorganization Plan No. 2 of 1949, to transfer the Bureau of Employment Security from the FSA to the Department of Labor, etc., with Secretary of Labor Tobin appearing in support of the plan, and A. R. Findley, vice president, Wieboldt Stores, Inc., Chicago, in opposition to it.

Secretary of Labor Tobin discussed, among other things, the experience-rating system, the question of bias, the cost of the program in the Labor Department, the interdependence of the program with other Department of Labor Programs, and the nature of the program Hearings continue tomorrow.

INDIANS, SAN LUIS VALLEY, AND NATIONAL PARK

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: In executive session the committee voted to report, with amendments, S. 192, to confer jurisdiction on the courts of New York with respect to civil actions between Indians or to which Indians are parties and H. R. 3440, to add certain lands to Rocky Mountain National Park, Colo.; and

Without amendment, S. 1385, providing that excess-land provisions of Federal reclamation laws should not apply to certain lands that will receive a supplemental water supply from the San Luis Valley project, Colorado.

FOOD, DRUGS, AND COSMETICS—EXPORTS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee held hearings on H. R. 562, to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act relative to adulterated or misbranded articles for export purposes, with the following witnesses appearing in support of the bill with amendments: Representative Van Zandt; C. W. Crawford, Food and Drug Administration, FSA; Charles W. Dunn, Grocery Manufacturers of America, New York; Samuel Fraser, International Apple Association, Rochester, N. Y.; Francisco Lejarza Saenz, Mallinckrodt Chemical Works, St. Louis; James G. Flanagan, representing the American Drug Manufacturers' Association; and Robert M. Dunning, Foreign Trade Division, Proprietary Association of America, New York. Hearings will be resumed on August 8.

CONTRACT SETTLEMENT, ENEMY PROPERTY, PHILIPPINE REHABILITATION, PRIVATE BILLS, AND NOMINATIONS

Committee on the Judiciary: In executive session, the committee voted to report numerous bills and two nominations, as follows:

Without amendment, S. 2294, to amend the Contract Settlement Act of 1944 regarding compensation to persons contracting to deliver certain strategic or critical minerals; and,

With amendment, S. 603, to amend the Trading With the Enemy Act, to permit the President to designate organizations as successors in interest to deceased persons who would have been eligible to receive returns under certain sections of the act, and S. 1033, to amend further the Philippine Rehabilitation Act of 1946 to authorize the Philippine War Damage Commission to compensate for damages suffered to schools.

The following private claims bills were ordered reported: S. 472, 557, 794, 1604, H. R. 631, 1017, 1034, 1055, 1282, 1285, 1459, 1505, 1604, 1857, 2095, 2239, 2253, 2456, 2806, 2807, 3461, and 3501.

Eight private immigration bills were ordered reported, as follows: S. 212, 296, 309, 916, 1145, 1446, 1565, and H. R. 748.

One original Senate concurrent resolution on deportation referral cases was ordered introduced and reported.

The nomination of Joseph P. Regan to be U. S. marshal for the district of Kansas and Edward Burns Parker to be U. S. attorney for the middle district of Alabama were ordered reported favorably.

The following bills were indefinitely postponed: S. 579, to incorporate the Retired Officers Association, and the following private bills: S. 962, 1712, 828, and H. R. 766, 1289, 1295, 1601, and 2530.

Two bills were held over for action at the August 1 meeting, as follows: S. 938, to amend the Bankruptcy Act relative to farmer-debtor relief, and S. 2311, subversive activities.

MEDICAL EDUCATION

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee on Health met in executive session to consider aid-to-medical-education bills (including S. 1453), and agreed to make a report on the proposed legislation to the full committee at its next meeting on Friday.

RIVER AND HARBOR AND FLOOD CONTROL

Committee on Public Works: Continuing hearings on H. R. 5472, general flood-control and river and harbor bill, the subcommittee received testimony from the following witnesses in support of S. 1576, to establish the U. S. Study Commission on the Arkansas-White and Red River Basins: Senators Kerr and Millikin; N. R. Graham, Oklahoma; Dave Terry, Little Rock, Ark.; Col. H. C. Gee, Army engineers; Raymond L. Stevens, Department of Agriculture; William E. Warne, Assistant Secretary of Interior; and Willard W. Gatchell, FPC.

The following witnesses appeared in opposition to the bill: Senator Long, accompanied by: F. F. Webb, president, Red River Valley Association; Harvey Carey, attorney for the Caddo Levee Board; F. S. Frierson, Jr., member of Caddo Levee Board; A. C. Hutchins, member of Bossier Levee Board; Laurie Campbell, attorney for the Bossier Levee Board; Leroy Chandler, president, Red River, Atchafalaya, and Bayou Boef Levee Board; and L. R. Matthias, executive secretary, Red River Valley Association. Hearings continue tomorrow.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Fourteen public bills, H. R. 5738–5751; five private bills, H. R. 5752–5756; and three resolutions, H. Res. 294–296, were introduced.

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Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

Six private bills, H. R. 332, 695, 733, 1097, 2256, and 4411 (H. Repts. 1110–1115, respectively);

H. R. 4766, authorizing an appropriation for housing and public-works requirements for the National Military Establishment (H. Rept. 1116);

H. R. 4686, issuance of public-improvement bonds in Hawaii (H. Rept. 1117);

H. R. 4966, issuance of sewer bonds by city and county of Honolulu (H. Rept. 1118);

H. R. 5490, issuance of public-improvement bonds in county of Kauai (H. Rept. 1119);

H. R. 4967, issuance of public-park bonds by city and county of Honolulu (H. Rept. 1120);

H. R. 4968, issuance of flood-control bonds by city and county of Honolulu (H. Rept. 1121);

H. R. 5459, issuance of improvement-district bonds, Honolulu (H. Rept. 1122);

H. R. 5730, to extend the Institute of Inter-American Affairs (H. Rept. 1123);

Conference report on H. R. 4963, to provide for the appointment of additional circuit and district judges (H. Rept. 1124); and

H. R. 3829, providing assistance for local school agencies in furnishing educational opportunities for children on Federal reservations or in defense areas (part 2, H. Rept. 1085).

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Anti-Poll Tax: After defeating three motions to adjourn, the House, by 265 yeas to 100 nays, adopted H. Res. 276, the rule providing for consideration of, waiving of points of order against, and 2 hours of general debate on, H. R. 3199, making unlawful the requirement for the payment of a poll tax as a prerequisite to voting in a primary or other election for national officers. After spending some time in debate the House postponed further action on the bill until tomorrow.

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President's Message: Heard a message from the President recommending enactment of legislation authorizing military assistance to the nations of western Europe.

The message was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs and ordered printed as a House document (H. Doc. No. 276).

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Steel: Adopted H. Res. 296, to authorize the U. S. attorney for the District of Columbia to make copies of certain data of the Committee on Public Works Subcommittee To Investigate Questionable Trade Practices now in custody of Clerk of the House.

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Committee Meetings

LAND TRANSFERS

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee No. 3 voted to report the following two bills to the full committee: H. R. 2015, conveyance and exchange of certain lands in Minnesota, and H. R. 5601, to authorize the exchange of certain lands of the United States situated in Iosco County, Mich., for lands within the national forests of Michigan. Representative Blatnik, author of H. R. 2015, and Representative Woodruff, author of H. R. 5601, spoke in support of their respective bills; and Howard Hopkins, U. S. Forest Service, presented the views of the Department of Agriculture on both bills.

MARITIME SCHOOL—BOY SCOUTS—HOSPITAL

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee No. 2 approved the following bills for reporting to the full committee:

H. R. 210, amended, to authorize conveyance of part of U. S. military reservation at Fort Schuyler, N. Y., to State of New York for use as a maritime school. Representative McGrath; Phillip Kelleher, Office of Chief of Engineers, Department of the Army; Commander Webb, U. S. Coast Guard; and Telfair Knight, Chief, Maritime Services, U. S. Maritime Commission, testified on this bill.

H. R. 5342, authorizing the lending of certain armed-services equipment for use at the National Jamboree of the Boy Scouts. John G. Adams, Office of the Secretary of Defense, spoke on this measure.

H. R. 5368, authorizing the Army, Navy, and Air Force to participate in the transfer of certain real property. Appearing before the committee on this legislation were Capt. J. F. Jelley, Deputy Chief, and Willis R. Dudley, both of the Bureau of Yards and Docks, Navy Department; and Phillip W. Kellcher, Office of Chief of Engineers, Department of the Army.

H. J. Res. 230, authorizing the construction and presentation to the people of St. Lawrence, Newfoundland, of a hospital or dispensary for their heroic services to the U. S. Navy. Capt. A. S. McDill spoke on this resolution.

HOUSING

Committee on Banking and Currency: Opened hearings on H. R. 5631, omnibus housing bill, receiving the testimony of Raymond M. Foley, Administrator, Housing and Home Finance Agency. Mr. Foley's statement, which was not completed today, was in favor of title I of the bill, treating on guaranties of loans for alterations and repairs of urban and rural houses. He will resume his testimony on Wednesday morning. Veterans' Administration representatives are scheduled to appear at tomorrow's hearing.

HOME RULE

Committee on the District of Columbia: The Judiciary Subcommittee heard the following list of witnesses who testified on the home-rule bills pending before that group: Maynard B. DeWitt, American Veterans Committee; James W. Bryan, Democratic Central Committee; Harry N. Stull, Federation of Citizens Associations; Mrs. H. W. Wiley, D. C. Federation of Women's Clubs; Rev. Orris G. Robinson, Washington Federation of Churches; Marvin M. McLean, Washington, D. C.; and Charles E. Sands, Hotel and Restaurant Employees and Bartenders International Union. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

WAR DEBTS—INTER-AMERICAN AFFAIRS

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Ordered the following bills reported to the House:

H. J. Res. 87, to provide that future payments by Finland on its war debt be used to provide educational and technical instruction and training in the U. S. for Finnish citizens and American books and technical equipment for institutions of higher education in Finland;

H. R. 5730, extending the authority of the Institute of Inter-American Affairs until June 30, 1955; and

H. R. 5731, to discharge a fiduciary obligation to Iran.

SCHOOL HEALTH SERVICES

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee on Public Health, Science, and Commerce approved for reporting to the entire committee S. 1411, amended, to provide for the general welfare by enabling the several States to make more adequate provision for the health of school children through the development of school health services for the prevention, diagnosis, and treatment of physical and mental defects and conditions.

MONOPOLY

Committee on the Judiciary: Everett M. Kassalow, assistant director of research, CIO, and Dr. Walter Adams, assistant professor of economics at Michigan State College, testified today before the Subcommittee To Investigate Monopoly Power. Hearings will be continued tomorrow morning in the caucus room of the Old House Office Building.

FEDERAL PAY RAISE

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: The Murray subcommittee resumed hearings on the subject of Federal and postal pay raises. Testifying today were William Doherty, president, National Association of Letter Carriers, and William C. Armbrust, president, United National Association of Post Office Clerks, accompanied by Andrew T. Walker, first vice president. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

STRATEGIC MINERALS

Committee on Public Lands: Ordered the following bills reported to the House:

H. R. 5725, amended, to stimulate the exploration for strategic and critical ores, metals, and minerals; and

H. R. 1662, authorizing the Secretary of the Interior to acquire on behalf of the United States Government all property facilities of the Rainier National Park Co.

SOCIAL SECURITY

Committee on Ways and Means: Held further executive discussions on social-security revisions and will continue on this subject tomorrow.

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HIGHLIGHTS

Senate considered foreign-aid appropriations, and passed 44 bills on call of calendar.

House passed anti-poll-tax bill.

Foreign Relations Committee voted to report U. S. claims bill, and two treaties.

Bills on alien deportation and amendments to the Clayton Act ordered reported by House committee.

Senate

Chamber Action

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Bills Introduced: Six bills and three resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2327 to S. 2332; S. J. Res. 121; and S. Con. Res. 56 and 57.

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Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 443, to authorize construction and equipment of a radio laboratory for the National Bureau of Standards, with amendments (S. Rept. 787);

H. J. Res. 208, to amend the resolution creating the Niagara Falls Bridge Commission, with amendment (S. Rept. 788);

S. 2160, to authorize annual and sick leave with pay for commissioned officers of the Public Health Service (S. Rept. 789);

S. 614, to amend the Hospital Survey and Construction Act, increasing amounts of funds and defining their distribution, with amendments (S. Rept. 790); and

S. 1741, extending unemployment allowances of GI bill of rights, with amendments (S. Rept. 791).

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Committee Assignments: The following changes were made in committee assignments: Senator Robertson from Committee on Appropriations to Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments; Senator Long from Committee on Rules and Administration and Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments to Committee on Banking and Currency; Senator Knowland from Committee on Rules and Administration to Committee on Appropriations; Senator Schoeppel from Committee on the District of Columbia to Committee on Rules and Administration; Senator Hendrickson from Committee on Post Office and Civil Service to Committee on Rules and Administration; and Senator Dulles was assigned to service on Committee on Post Office and Civil Service and Committee on the District of Columbia.

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Pricing Practices: Senate disagreed to House amendment to S. 1008, to define the application of the Federal Trade Commission Act and the Clayton Act to certain pricing practices, and asked for a conference, appointing as conferees Senators McCarran, O'Conor, and Wiley. Senator Long, however, entered a motion to reconsider the vote by which the bill was sent to conference.

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Foreign-Aid Appropriations: Senate worked on H. R. 4830, foreign-aid appropriations for 1950, rejecting, by 37 yeas to 41 nays, committee amendment reducing by $74,000,000 funds for last quarter of fiscal 1949.

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Calendar Bills Passed: On call of the calendar, 44 unobjected-to bills, of which 22 were private, were passed as follows:

Without amendment and cleared for President:

Eglin Field: H. R. 2417, to improve recreational facilities at Eglin Field, Fla.;

D. C. contracts: H. R. 2799, regulating the retent on contracts with the D. C.;

D. C. offices: H. R. 4705, transferring certain offices from the government of the D. C. to the Administrative Office of the U. S. Courts;

Flag Day: H. J. Res. 170, designating June 14 of each year as Flag Day (S. J. Res. 103, a similar bill, was indefinitely postponed);

Army property: H. R. 4646, to authorize Secretary of Army to lend certain property of the Department of Army to national veterans' organizations for use in national youth tournaments;

Army-Air Force retirement: H. R. 5508, to provide that each year of service as a member of a Reserve component prior to July 1, 1949, shall be deemed a year for purposes of retirement under the Army and Air Force Vitalization and Retirement Equalization Act of 1948 (S. 1939, a similar bill, was indefinitely postponed);

Overtime pay: H. R. 459, to authorize the payment of employees of the Bureau of Animal Industry for overtime duty performed at establishments which prepare virus, serum, toxin, or analogous products for use in the treatment of domestic animals;

Bridge in Texas: H. R. 4022, to extend time for construction of a toll bridge across the Rio Grande at Rio Grande City, Tex. (S. 2198, a similar bill, was indefinitely postponed);

Bridge in Texas: H. R. 1360, to extend time for construction of free bridge across the Rio Grande at Del Rio, Tex.;

Census fees: H. R. 142, to exempt certain persons from the requirement of paying fees for certain census data;

Civil-service retirement: H. R. 3512, to amend the Civil Service Retirement Act to authorize exemption of certain employees of the Library of Congress whose employment is temporary or of uncertain duration; and

Private bills: Eight private bills: H. R. 585, 2474, 1303, 1127, 3467, 4804, 2853, and 4261.

With amendment, to be sent back to House:

Paleontological investigations: H. R. 2290, to provide for cooperation by Smithsonian Institution with State, educational, and scientific organizations for continuing paleontological investigations in areas which will be flooded by construction of Government dams;

Coast Guard Code: H. R. 4566, to revise, codify, and enact into law title 14 of U. S. Code entitled "Coast Guard"; and

Private bills: Six private bills: H. R. 1288, 1472, 1466, 1625, 2084, and 2850.

Without amendment and cleared for House:

Bankruptcy: S. 88, to amend section 60 of the Bankruptcy Act relative to changing the rule of preference in bankruptcy proceedings;

D. C. podiatry: S. 1128, to amend act regulating practice of podiatry in the D. C.;

D. C. disbursing officers: S. 1525, providing for appointment of deputy disbursing officer and assistant disbursing officers for the D. C.;

D. C. rockfish: S. 1870, prohibiting the sale of rockfish in the D. C. weighing more than 15 pounds;

Correctional institution: S. 1949, to authorize the lease of the Federal correctional institution at Sandstone, Minn., to the State of Minnesota;

Postmasters: S. 2030, to clarify laws relating to compensation of postmasters at fourth-class post offices which have been advanced because of unusual conditions;

Mineral lands: S. 939, providing that certain lands withdrawn by an Executive order may be leased for exploitation of silica sand and other nonmetallic minerals only so long as such lands remain so withdrawn; and

Private bills: Three private bills: S. Con. Res. 51, S. 1026 and 1834.

With amendment and cleared for House:

RFC personnel: S. 1871, to prohibit the employment of RFC personnel by organizations receiving RFC loans;

D. C. judge: S. 1350, providing an additional judge for the D. C. juvenile court; and

Private bills: Five private bills: S. 204, 555, 1166, 586, and 787.

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Federal Criminal Cases: During call of the calendar, S. 1124, appointment of counsel to impoverished defendants in criminal cases, was recommitted to Committee on the District of Columbia.

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Confirmations: Two civilian nominations were confirmed. Page 10216

Nominations: Two civilian nominations, including that of Knox T. Hutchinson, of Tenn., to be Assistant Secretary of Agriculture, were received, along with one postmaster withdrawal. Page 10216

Committee Meetings

FARM PROGRAM

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: In executive session, Secretary of Agriculture Brannan met with the committee to discuss the so-called Brannan farm program as embodied in S. 1971. Secretary Brannan is scheduled to meet again with the committee tomorrow.

MILITARY AND NAVAL CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Armed Services: The following witnesses appeared before the committee in justification of the Air Force section of S. 1875, military public-works bill, authorizing construction of military and naval installations, including military housing, family quarters, and public utilities, as well as special-weapons projects in and outside of continental U. S.: Lt. Col. Douglas R. Brown, Col. C. M. Myers, Maj. F. A. Singer, Col. R. N. Curtin, and Lt. Col. J. D. Long, all of the Air Force.

COAL INDUSTRY LABOR NEGOTIATIONS

Committee on Banking and Currency: Continuing hearings on the effect of the proposed coal "czar" appointment and the 3-day workweek in the coal mines on independent coal producers and consumer prices, the committee received further testimony on the subject from Frank H. Terell, Kansas City, Mo., and Thurmond Arnold, Washington, D. C. Hearings continue tomorrow.

HOUSING

Committee on Banking and Currency: Subcommittee held hearings on S. 2246, proposing amendments to the National Housing Act affecting mortgage-insurance program administered by the FHA and the secondary market program of the Federal National Mortgage Association, with Representative Holifield suggesting amendments to the GI loan provisions of the bill; Raymond Foley, Administrator of Housing and Home Finance Agency, testifying only on title II, creating policy for disposal of temporary and permanent war housing, which he favored; Samuel E. Neel, Washington counsel, Mortgage Bankers Association, favoring some parts of the bill and opposing others; Elmer W. Henderson, director, American Council on Human Rights, supporting the bill but advocating an amendment to permit direct lending by the Government to persons when private lenders will not grant credit for reasons other than economic security; and Joe King, National Retail Lumber Dealers Association, opposing some parts of the bill and suggesting amendments to others.

Abner Ferguson, U. S. Savings and Loan League, and Dr. James J. O'Leary, research director, Life Insurance Association of America, appeared in opposition to the bill. Hearings continue tomorrow.

REORGANIZATION PLAN NO. 2

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Continuing hearings on Reorganization Plan No. 2 of 1949, to transfer the Bureau of Employment Security from the FSA to the Department of Labor, etc., the committee received testimony in opposition to the plan from the following witnesses: Walter J. Mackey, Ohio Manufacturers Association; James L. Donnelly, executive vice president, Illinois Manufacturers Association; Voyta Wrobetz, chairman, Industrial Commission, State of Wisconsin; and Robert E. Hatton, chairman, unemployment compensation advisory committee, Department of Economic Security, Kentucky.

The following witnesses appeared in support of the plan: Gen. John Thomas Taylor, legislative representative, and John Lewis Smith, vice chairman, National Economic Commission, both of the American Legion. Hearings continue tomorrow.

U. S. CLAIMS, U. S. WESTERN BOUNDARY, SUGAR AGREEMENT, AND CONSULAR CONVENTION

Committee on Foreign Relations: In executive session, the committee voted to report, with amendments, H. R. 4406, settlement of U. S. claims against foreign governments; and, without amendment, S. 1115, authorizing appropriation for construction, operation, and maintenance of the western land boundary fence project.

It also voted to report favorably Protocol Prolonging the International Agreement Regarding the Regulation of Production and Marketing of Sugar (Exec. F), and the Consular Convention Between The U. S. and Costa Rica (Exec. D).

The nomination of Paul A. Porter, of Kentucky, to be the U. S. representative on the Conciliation Commission for Palestine was ordered favorably reported.

DISPLACED PERSONS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee heard Otto Durholtz, Committee for Christian Action in Central Europe, Paterson, and Charles F. Gearhard, chairman, United Action Committee for Expellees, Philadelphia, discuss the problem of expellees under the displaced-persons program. Hearings continue tomorrow.

RIVER AND HARBOR AND FLOOD CONTROL

Committee on Public Works: Subcommittee temporarily concluded hearings on H. R. 5472, general flood-control and river and harbor bill, awaiting House passage of the bill. Today the subcommittee received testimony from the following witnesses in support of the respective projects. Representative Golden on the Barbourville, Ky., Cumberland River project; from Senator Downey and Representative King on shore protection of Redondo Beach, Calif.; from Senator Baldwin on Folly Brook flood-control project at Hartford, Conn.; from Senator Malone on flood-control project at the Muddy River and Meadow Valley Wash, Nev.; and from Senator Hayden, M. J. Dowd, consulting engineer, Imperial Valley irrigation district, and Harold C. Herrick, Mexican Affairs, State Department, on the Painted Rock Dam site on the Gila River.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Twenty public bills, H. R. 5757–5776; six private bills, H. R. 5777–5782; and eleven resolutions, H. J. Res. 323–326, H. Con. Res. 107–111, and H. Res. 297–298, were introduced. Page 10255

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

Two private bills, H. R. 3499 and 4564 (H. Repts. 1125 and 1126, respectively);

Conference report on S. 1184, to encourage construction of rental housing at or in areas adjacent to military and naval installations (H. Rept. 1127);

H. R. 3926, to rename a game sanctuary in the Harney National Forest as the "Norbeck Wildlife Preserve," amended (H. Rept. 1128);

H. R. 5592, to authorize the liquidation of emergency feed and seed loans, amended (H. Rept. 1129);

H. R. 1800, a private bill (H. Rept. 1130);

H. R. 5739, to provide for the advance planning of public works (H. Rept. 1131); and

H. R. 5330, to provide aid to Korea (pt. 2, H. Rept. 962). Page 10254

D. C. Pensions: Adopted conference report on H. R. 2021, to provide increased pensions for widows and children of deceased members and retired members of the Police and Fire Departments of the District of Columbia, thus clearing the measure for Presidential action. Page 10216

Judiciary: Adopted conference report on H. R. 4963, to provide for the appointment of additional circuit and district judges. Pages 10216–10219

Anti-Poll Tax: Passed, 273 yeas to 116 nays, H. R. 3199, to make unlawful the requirement for the payment of a poll tax as a prerequisite to voting in a primary or other election for national officers. A recommital motion was defeated by 123 yeas to 266 nays. Adopted two perfecting committee amendments and rejected several floor amendments. Pages 10220–10248

Committee Meetings

FATS AND OILS

Committee on Agriculture: Held hearings on H. R. 4538, 4880, and 4893, providing an average parity price for fats and oils and to aid in maintaining such parity price to producers. Witnesses testifying today were Representatives Granger, Scudder, and Colmer, authors of the respective bills as mentioned, all of whom made brief statements regarding their measures. Representative Colmer called attention to the slight differences between the bill introduced by him and that introduced by Mr. Granger. Carl Wilkin, representing the Tung Growers Council of America and also the United Farmers of America, Inc., testified in favor of Mr. Granger's bill, H. R. 4538. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

POST EXCHANGES

Committee on Armed Services: Philbin Special Subcommittee on Post Exchanges held an executive meeting today, which will be continued tomorrow morning, followed by open hearings on the subject of PX's.

HOUSING

Committee on Banking and Currency: Continued hearings on H. R. 5631, the omnibus housing bill, and heard the testimony of George Korink, Bureau of Yards and Docks, Navy Department; Leonard Neiderlehner, counsel, Munitions Board; L. L. Reese, Office of Legislation, VA; and Bert King, of the Loans Guarantee Service of the VA, who did not finish his statement and will be heard at a later date. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

LABOR EXTENSION SERVICE

Committee on Education and Labor: Opened hearings on H. R. 1380 and 3785, Labor Extension Service bills to broaden the cooperative extension system by providing for cooperative extension work between colleges receiving benefits and other colleges, research agencies, and the U. S. Labor Department. Proponent witnesses heard today were Representatives Kennedy and Biemiller, and James Carey, secretary-treasurer of the CIO.

Representative Madden also submitted a statement in favor of the legislation under discussion. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

RAILROAD COMMUNICATION SYSTEMS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Held executive meeting on H. R. 378, to amend Interstate Commerce Act to require certain common carriers by railroad to install and maintain communication systems and to establish operating regulations and practices to promote safety of employees and travelers on railroads. The committee took no action on this measure and announced that further open hearings will be held on Tuesday, August 2.

CLAYTON ACT—ALIEN IMPORTATION—IMMIGRATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Ordered reported favorably to the House the following two bills, with amendments:

H. R. 2734, which amends sections 7 and 11 of the Clayton Act; and

H. R. 10, which relates to the detention of deportable aliens.

Also tabled 20 private House immigration bills.

FEDERAL PAY RAISE—POSTAL RATES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: The Murray subcommittee continued its hearings on the subject of Federal and postal pay raises. Witnesses at today's meeting were E. A. Meeks, secretary representative, National League of District Postmasters; Willard L. Manning, president, National Rural Letter Carriers' Association; and Robert Rice, president, Railway Mail Association. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

The Herlong subcommittee resumed consideration of H. R. 1008, to create a Board of Postal Rates and Fees in the Post Office Department. Nelson B. Wentzel, Office of the Third Assistant Postmaster General, testified on the bill. Adjourned subject to the call of the Chair.

LAND GRANT—NATIONAL PARKS

Committee on Public Lands: Ordered H. R. 3480 reported to the House. This bill would authorize Kentucky to use for educational purposes lands granted by United States to such Commonwealth for State park purposes.

Committee continued discussion of H. R. 1662, to acquire all property and facilities of the Rainier National Park Co., with C. Girard Davidson, Assistant Secretary of the Interior, stating the policy of his Department concerning concessioners of national parks.

PUBLIC WORKS PLANNING

Committee on Public Works: Ordered reported to the House H. R. 5739, a clean bill introduced in lieu of the bill reported last Friday, providing $100,000,000 for advance planning of public works for a 2-year period, such sum to remain available until expended.

VETERANS' TRAINING

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Continued hearings on H. R. 3067 and 4898, relating to building-trades training under the GI bill of rights, taking testimony from H. V. Stirling and A. H. Monk, both of the Veterans' Administration. Will continue on this subject tomorrow at 10:30 a. m.

SOCIAL SECURITY

Committee on Ways and Means: Executive consideration on the proposed amendments to the Social Security Act was continued at today's meeting and will be held again tomorrow morning.

Joint Committee Meetings

ATOMIC ENERGY

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: In executive session, the committee met with officials of the AEC to discuss budgetary matters of the Atomic Energy Commission. Committee meets again tomorrow.

MILITARY REORGANIZATION

Conferees on H. R. 5632, to reorganize fiscal management in the National Military Establishment to promote economy and efficiency, met in executive session to work out the differences between the House- (H. R. 5632) and Senate-passed versions (S. 1843) of the bill, but failed to reach final agreement. The Senate, in passing H. R. 5632, substituted for it the language of S. 1843, to convert the National Military Establishment into an executive department to be known as the Department of Defense, and to establish the responsibility and authority of the Secretary of Defense (National Security Act Amendments of 1949). Conferees meet again tomorrow.

MILITARY HOUSING

Conferees on S. 1184, to encourage construction of rental housing at or in areas adjacent to military and naval installations, in late session yesterday reached final agreement to file conference report on the differences between the House- and Senate-passed versions of the bill. The conferees accepted a compromise for the House amendment which would have allowed the mortgage amount to increase to $9,000 for large-size family units. Under the compromise the Senate restriction of an average of $8,100 for mortgages was retained, but in the case of separate dwellings the amount might be increased to a limit of $9,000 upon finding of need for such increase by the Secretary of Defense and the Housing Commissioner. Utility service could be supplied to the project if found to be in the public interest or in the interest of national defense.

Wednesday, July 27, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate recommitted foreign-aid appropriation bill on point of order, and began consideration of independent offices appropriations.

School-agency assistance bill passed by House.

Senate group voted to report bills on merchant marine, CAA and aviation, and Bureau of Standards.

Cotton-marketing quota bill reported favorably by House committee.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 10256–10262

Bills Introduced: Nine bills were introduced, as follows: S. 2333 to S. 2341. Page 10256

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 4, authorizing advanced training in aeronautics of CAA technical personnel (S. Rept. 792); and

S. 442, to amend the Air Commerce Act of 1926 to provide for the application to civil air navigation of laws and regulations related to animal and plant quarantine (S. Rept. 793). Page 10256

Bill Referred: One House-passed bill was referred to appropriate committee. Page 10260

Foreign-Aid Appropriations: Senate recommitted to its Appropriations Committee H. R. 4830, foreign-aid appropriations for 1950, when the Chair sustained a point of order by Senator McClellan against various committee amendments to the bill on the ground that the amendments constituted legislation in an appropriation bill.

Before recommitting the bill, the Senate took the following action: By voice vote, adopted committee amendment eliminating language providing $125,000 for expenditures of confidential character during last quarter of fiscal year 1949; and, by voice vote, adopted committee amendment increasing funds for fiscal year 1950 by $59,910,000.

A point of order as to germaneness of a committee amendment concerning use of surplus agricultural products was raised by Senator McClellan which was submitted by the Chair to the Senate for decision, and, by 54 yeas to 32 nays, the Senate held the amendment to be germane. Senator Lucas then made a second point of order against the language of the amendment as legislation in an appropriation bill, which the Chair overruled. Senator Taft took an appeal from decision of the Chair, and the Senate, by 38 yeas to 51 nays, overruled decision of the Chair. Senator Lucas then renewed his point of order against the committee amendment, which the Chair sustained. Senator McClellan then raised his point of order, mentioned above, which sent the bill back to the Appropriations Committee. Pages 10262–10281

Military Housing: Senate adopted conference report on and cleared for President S. 1184, to encourage construction of rental housing at or in areas adjacent to military and naval installations. Page 10281

Judges: Conference report on H. R. 4963, to authorize the appointment of additional circuit and district judges, was adopted and bill was cleared for President. Pages 10284–10285

Independent Offices Appropriations: Senate temporarily laid aside the unfinished business (S. 653, minimum-wage increase), and began consideration of H. R. 4177, independent offices appropriations for 1950, adopting sundry committee amendments including the following by roll-call vote: By 51 yeas to 33 nays, amendment increasing funds for Bureau of Budget by $331,450; by 40 yeas to 39 nays, amendment increasing by $40,000 funds for Council of Economic Advisers; and by 40 yeas to 39 nays, amendment increasing funds for FCC by $108,000.

The committee amendment increasing funds for Civil Service Commission by $2,250,000 was rejected by 38 yeas to 41 nays.

Pending at recess was committee amendment increasing by $189,000 funds for FTC. Pages 10281–10288

Committee Meetings

FARM PROGRAM

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Committee met in executive session on the so-called Brannan farm program as embodied in S. 1971, and the committee instructed its subcommittee, which had been appointed on the Brannan bill, to continue its study of the proposed Brannan plan together with any other alternatives and report back its findings to the full committee.

COAL INDUSTRY LABOR NEGOTIATIONS

Committee on Banking and Currency: Continuing hearings on the effect of the proposed coal "czar" appointment and the 3-day workweek in the coal mines on independent coal producers and consumer prices, the committee received further testimony on the subject from L. C. Gunter, president, Southern Appalachian Coal Operators Association, Knoxville, Tenn.; Rolla D. Campbell, general counsel, Island Creek Coal Co., Huntington, W. Va.; and J. V. Sullivan, executive secretary, West Virginia Coal Association. Hearings continue tomorrow.

HOUSING

Committee on Banking and Currency: Subcommittee held further hearings on S. 2246, proposing amendments to the National Housing Act affecting mortgage-insurance program administered by the FHA and the secondary market program of the Federal National Mortgage Association, with Representative Javits favoring the principles of the bill generally but suggesting amendments for title III, to increase amount of loans to cooperatives; William Green, AFL, favoring the bill but emphasizing the importance of title III; Peter Henle, secretary, housing committee of AFL, demonstrating cost savings in cooperative organizations; Dr. Frank Poole, president, Clemson College, and Dr. Arthur S. Adams, president, University of New Hampshire, favoring title V, on loans to educational institutions; Edward C. Fritz, Dallas, presenting petitions from war-housing tenants favoring continued operation by Federal Government instead of disposal under section 604 of the bill; Harry Held, National Association of Mutual Savings Banks, opposing the bill; and the following veterans' representatives favoring the proposed legislation as it relates to veterans but suggesting various amendments: Walter E. Alessandroni, Bertram E. Giesecke, and Robert Poston, all of American Legion; Jack Carter, VFW; Joseph A. Clorety, Jr., AVC; and Charles Foster, DAV. Hearings continue tomorrow.

REORGANIZATION PLAN NO. 2

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Continuing hearings on Reorganization Plan No. 2, to transfer the Bureau of Employment Security from the FSA to the Department of Labor, etc., the committee heard further opposition testimony to the plan from the following witnesses: B. A. Krawczyk, supervisor, compensation department, Allis-Chalmers Manufacturing Co., Milwaukee; Parvin M. Russell, social-security committee, New Jersey Chamber of Commerce; Dwight Horton, Texas Employment Commission; Robert B. Martin, social-security committee, Illinois Chamber of Commerce; R. K. Argo, social security committee, U. S. Chamber of Commerce; R. F. Vogeler, Philadelphia Chamber of Commerce; Ray C. Smith, Michigan Manufacturers Unemployment Compensation Bureau, Detroit; Paul Kerr, Indiana State Chamber of Commerce; and Allen Williamson, commissioner, Employment Security Department, South Dakota.

James H. Rowe, Jr., attorney of the Corcoran, Youngman & Rowe law firm, Washington, appeared in favor of the plan. Hearings continue tomorrow on plans 1 and 2.

BUREAU OF RECLAMATION INVESTIGATION

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Committee continued its hearings on its investigation of the Bureau of Reclamation, with Senator Downey giving further testimony on the administration of the Bureau. Hearings continue Friday.

MERCHANT MARINE, CAA AND AVIATION, BUREAU OF STANDARDS, AND COAST GUARD

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: In executive session, committee voted to report the following bills: Without amendment, H. R. 242, to provide for conferring of degree of bachelor of science upon graduates of U. S. Merchant Marine Academy; H. R. 4829, private bill; H. R. 5365, transferring vessel *Black Mallard* to State of Louisiana for use and benefit of department of wildlife and fisheries of such State; S. 4, authorizing advanced training in aeronautics of CAA technical personnel; S. 442, to amend the Air Commerce Act of 1926 to provide for the application to civil air navigation of laws and regulations related to animal and plant quarantine; S. 2201, providing basic authority for performance of certain functions and activities of the National Bureau of Standards; and S. 2240, authorizing certain Coast Guard and Public Health Service personnel to accept certain gifts of foreign governments;

And with amendments, S. 450, to amend the CAA (powers of the Administrator) to permit assignment of work or functions to employees, and authorizing delegation of certain powers and duties to private persons.

Two routine Coast Guard nominations were ordered reported favorably.

IMMIGRATION—SUBVERSIVE ALIENS

Committee on the Judiciary: Andrew J. Valuchek, Czechoslovakian daily newspaper in New York, appeared before the subcommittee to testify in support of S. 1832, to amend the Immigration Act of 1918 to provide for exclusion and deportation of subversive aliens. Hearings continue tomorrow.

DISPLACED PERSONS

Committee on the Judiciary: James Finucane, National Council for Prevention of War; Charles F. Gerhard, United Action Committee for Expellees, Philadelphia; and Betty Barton, American Friends Service Committee, appeared before the subcommittee to testify in favor of liberalizing displaced-persons legislation to include Germans of ethnic origin who were expelled from countries surrounding Germany pursuant to the Potsdam agreement.

POST OFFICE REORGANIZATION AND GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES PAY

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Subcommittee held hearings on Government reorganization bills, including S. 2062, changing the laws to furnish a basis for reorganizing the Post Office Department; S. 2111, to revise the personnel policy of the civil service, and the pay administration policy in the executive branch of the Government; S. 2212, providing for improved financial control over the operations of the Post Office Department; and related bills, with Civil Service Commissioners Harry B. Mitchell and James M. Mitchell, Postmaster General Donaldson, Harold Seidman, Bureau of the Budget, and Frank Weitzel, GAO, discussing the various provisions of the proposed measures.

SENATORIAL ELECTION CONTESTS

Committee on Rules and Administration: In executive session, committee unanimously agreed to its Privileges and Elections Subcommittee reports on contested senatorial elections in West Virginia, Oklahoma, Texas, and Michigan. Reports concluded that all of the Senators whose seats were contested were duly elected. Reports on the two formal contested election cases, West Virginia and Michigan, will be reported to the Senate. Routine committee business was also transacted.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Fifteen public bills, H. R. 5783–5797; six private bills, H. R. 5798–5803; and five resolutions, H. J. Res. 327 and 328, H. Con. Res. 112, and H. Res. 299 and 300, were introduced. Page 10319

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. J. Res. 327, to make an additional appropriation for control of emergency outbreaks of insects and plant disease (H. Rept. 1132);

H. R. 3480, to authorize educational use of lands granted to Kentucky by U. S. for State parks (H. Rept. 1133);

H. R. 5557, relative to admission to U. S. of foreign workers in the Western Hemisphere for temporary agricultural employment (H. Rept. 1134);

H. R. 5725, to stimulate the exploration for strategic and critical ores, metals, and minerals (H. Rept. 1135);

H. Con. Res. 102, appointment of joint congressional committee to attend final national encampment of GAR (H. Rept. 1136); and

H. Res. 300, providing for consideration of, and 1 hour of debate on, H. R. 4007, authorizing construction of experimental submarines (H. Rept. 1137).

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Military Rental Housing: After defeating a recommittal motion by 52 yeas to 258 nays, the House adopted the conference report on S. 1184, to encourage construction of rental housing on or in areas adjacent to military installations. Pages 10293–10294

Insects: Adopted H. J. Res. 327, making a supplemental appropriation of $1½ millions for control of emergency outbreaks of insects and plant diseases administered by the Bureau of Entomology and Plant Quarantine of the Department of Agriculture.

Pages 10295–10297

Coast Guard: Agreed to Senate amendment to H. R. 4566, to revise, codify, and enact into law title 14 of U. S. Code entitled "Coast Guard," thus clearing the bill for Presidential action. Pages 10297–10299

School Agency Aid: Passed, by voice vote, H. R. 3829, after adopting a committee amendment which substitutes the provisions of H. R. 2287 for the text of H. R. 3829. This measure calls for an appropriation of $7½ million for the next fiscal year for assistance to local school agencies in furnishing educational opportunities for children on Federal reservations or in areas overburdened by migration of defense plant workers.

H. Res. 292, the rule for consideration of H. R. 3829, was previously adopted. Pages 10299–10314

Bills Referred: Fifteen Senate-passed bills, passed by the Senate on July 26, were referred to appropriate committees. Page 10318

Committee Meetings

IRRIGATION STATIONS—COTTON MARKETING QUOTAS

Committee on Agriculture: Ordered the following bills reported to the House:

H. R. 5679, to authorize the transfer of certain agricultural dry land and irrigation field stations to the States in which such stations are located; and

H. R. 5738, amending the Agricultural Act of 1938 to establish national marketing quotas and acreage allotments for cotton.

POST EXCHANGES

Committee on Armed Services: Philbin Special Subcommittee on Post Exchanges heard departmental witnesses on the subject of sales by post exchanges and other service stores. Adjourned subject to the call of the Chair.

HOUSING

Committee on Banking and Currency: Continued hearings on H. R. 5631, the omnibus housing bill. Walter Allesendroni, vice commander, and Bertran Giesecke, chairman of national housing committee, American Legion, testified in favor of continuation and liberalizing the GI loan and expressed opposition to increasing the rate of interest from 4 to 4½ percent. Lawrence Westbrook, Washington, D. C., and A. E. Kazan, manager, Amalgamated Cooperative Apartments, testified in favor of provisions of section 213, providing for mutual home-ownership corporations.

Housing Administrator, Raymond M. Foley, completed the statement he started on Monday on the over-all provisions of the bill, particularly cooperative housing and disposition of permanent and temporary war housing projects. He was also questioned by members of the committee. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

HOME RULE

Committee on the District of Columbia: Judiciary Subcommittee heard the following list of witnesses on home-rule legislation pending before the committee. Representative Deane; William A. Roberts, attorney, Washington, D. C.; William F. Fadler, Jr., Young Democratic Club of the District of Columbia; Thomas B. Scott, Washington Chapter Unitarian Laymen's League; Miss Sylvia Altman, District Central Suffrage Conference; F. S. Tilton, Kalorama Citizens Association; Mrs. Sarah Newman, Potomac Cooperative Federation; Mrs. Charlotte Sillers, Women's Auxiliary, United Public Workers, CIO; Mrs. Hugh Beshers, Women's Alliance of All Soul's Church; Charles S. Hill, local joint executive board of the Hotel & Restaurant Employees and Bartenders' International Union, AFL; Harry Leet, Government Workers Union No. 1013, CIO; Ben Cummins, Washington, D. C.; and R. Mars, of R. Mars, Inc., Washington, D. C.

LABOR EXTENSION SERVICE

Committee on Education and Labor: Secretary of Labor Maurice J. Tobin testified before the Kelley subcommittee at today's hearing on H. R. 1380 and 3785, Labor Extension Service bills to broaden the cooperative extension system by providing for cooperative extension work between colleges receiving benefits and other colleges, research agencies, and the U. S. Labor Department. Other witnesses were Brendon Sexton, acting director of education, UAW-CIO, accompanied by Dallas Sells and Robert Hulsebus. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

EXECUTIVE FUNCTIONS TRANSFER

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Ordered reported to the House H. R. 5526, authorizing the President to delegate certain of his functions to other officers of the Government.

JUDGES' SALARY INCREASE

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 1 held hearings on H. R. 241 and 1706, relating to the increase of Federal judges' salaries. Testifying today were Representative Keogh; Thurmond Arnold, attorney; Henry Ward Beer, president of the Federal Bar Association of New York, New Jersey, and Connecticut; Harold Harper, representing the Association of the Bar of the City of New York; Jerome F. Barnard, president of the District of Columbia Bar Association; James Barnes, chairman, American Bar Association committee on judicial salaries; William A. Considine and Harry J. Cohen, both of the New Jersey Bar Association; Mahlon Dickerson, Association of the Bar of the City of New York; John E. Miller, district judge, Arkansas; Royce H. Savage, district judge, Oklahoma; Murray Hulbert, district judge, New York City; William H. Kirkpatrick, chief judge, eastern district of Pennsylvania; Judge John W. Murphy, Court of Claims; Sam M. Driver, district judge, Washington; Sherman Minton, circuit judge, Seventh Circuit; Harold M. Stephens, Chief Judge, U. S. Court of Appeals for the D. C. Circuit; John Biggs, Jr., circuit judge, Third Circuit; and statements were submitted by Representatives Celler, Multer, and Davies of New York.

MONOPOLY

Committee on the Judiciary: The Special Subcommittee on the Study of Monopoly Power took the testimony of Herbert Bergson, Assistant Attorney General in charge of Antitrust Division, and Donald Richberg, attorney, of New York City. Hearings will be continued Friday.

CLAIMS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 3 agreed to report favorably to the full committee 10 private claims bills (House) and 2 private claims bills (Senate).

SHIP DOCUMENTATION

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Subcommittee on Maritime Affairs approved for reporting to the full committee H. R. 3605, providing for the documentation of the Canadian-built vessel *North Wind,* owned by a U. S. citizen. Representative Rogers of Florida spoke in favor of the bill, which was introduced by him.

LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Subcommittee on Coast Guard approved for reporting to the full committee H. R. 5305, to increase the retirement pay of certain members of former Lighthouse Service. Testifying on behalf of this measure were Thomas A. Lee, secretary of Retired Lighthouse Service Association, South Portland, Maine; and Rear Adm. Charles A. Park, U. S. Coast Guard, retired.

FEDERAL PAY RAISE

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Murray subcommittee held further hearings on bills relating to pay raises for Federal and postal workers. Heard on this subject were E. C. Hallbeck, legislative representative, National Federation of Post Office Clerks; Arnold Chapman and Horace Chapman; Neal Sibley, chairman, legislative committee, National Association of Postmasters of the U. S.; and Jesse Horton, legislative representative, National Association of Postal Supervisors. Hearings will be continued on Friday.

NATIONAL PARKS

Committee on Public Lands: Representative Tollefson spoke on behalf of his bill H. R. 1622, authorizing the Secretary of the Interior to acquire all property and facilities of the Rainier National Park Co. No action was taken.

An over-all discussion was held relative to national-park concessions with Daggett Harvey, representing Western Conference of National Park Concessioners, and Don Hummel, president of the Lassin National Park, taking part. Adjourned subject to the call of the Chair.

SUBMARINES—G. A. R. ENCAMPMENT—LAWS REVISION—SCIENCE FOUNDATION—KOREAN AID—OMNIBUS FLOOD CONTROL

Committee on Rules: Granted open rule (H. Res. 300), providing 1 hour's debate on H. R. 4007, amending act of 1947, authorizing construction of experimental submarines by removing $30 million ceiling on the cost of such vessels. Representatives Brooks and Rivers spoke in favor of the rule.

Also ordered reported favorably to the House H. Con. Res. 102, appointing a joint committee of Congress to attend the final encampment of the G. A. R. Representative Jacobs testified on behalf of the resolution.

H. Res. 19, creating a Select Committee on Revision of the Laws, was ordered adversely reported. Representative Keogh favored the resolution and Representatives Celler, Bryson, and Willis were opposed.

Also considered, but took no action on, H. R. 4846, to establish a National Science Foundation, and H. R. 5330, authorizing appropriation for aid to the Republic of Korea. Heard in favor of the Korean-aid rule were Representatives Kee, Richards, Fulton, and Douglas. Speaking in opposition were Representatives Vorys, Jackson of California, and Chiperfield.

A rule was denied on H. R. 5472, omnibus river and harbor and flood-control bill.

VETERANS' TRAINING

Committee on Veterans Affairs: Heard further testimony from H. V. Stirling and A. H. Monk, both of the Veterans' Administration, on H. R. 3067 and 4898, relating to building-trades training under the GI bill of rights. Will resume on same subject at 10:30 tomorrow morning.

SOCIAL SECURITY

Committee on Ways and Means: Continued executive session work on Social Security Act revisions and will resume on same topic tomorrow.

Joint Committee Meetings

ATOMIC ENERGY

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Committee met in executive session with Secretary of Defense Johnson, Secretary of State Acheson, and members of the AEC to continue its consideration of international relations in the field of atomic energy. Committee meets again tomorrow.

MILITARY REORGANIZATION

Conferees on H. R. 5632, to reorganize fiscal management in the National Military Establishment to promote economy and efficiency (Senate substituted contents of S. 1843 for that of H. R. 5632), continued in executive session in an attempt to work out a compromise between the two passed versions of the bill, but did not reach final agreement. Conferees continue tomorrow.

Thursday, July 28, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate continued work on independent offices appropriations.

Experimental submarine bill passed by House.

Senate committees voted to report appropriation measures, and bills on D. C., amendments to Internal Revenue, postal employees, and postal service, and retirement benefits for widows.

Hearings on military assistance to foreign nations opened by House committee.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 10320–10336, 10370

Bills Introduced: Three bills and three resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2342 to S. 2344; and S. Res. 141 to 143. Pages 10321–10322, 10370

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. J. Res. 327, appropriating $3,500,000 for Department of Agriculture for control of insects and plant diseases, particularly grasshoppers, with amendment (S. Rept. 794);

S. 2201, providing basic authority for performance of certain functions and activities of the National Bureau of Standards (S. Rept. 795);

S. 2240, authorizing certain Coast Guard and Public Health Service personnel to accept certain gifts of foreign governments (S. Rept. 796);

H. R. 242, to provide for conferring of degree of bachelor of science upon graduates of U. S. Merchant Marine Academy (S. Rept. 797);

H. R. 4829, private bill (S. Rept. 798);

H. R. 5365, transferring vessel *Black Mallard* to State of Louisiana for use and benefit of department of wildlife and fisheries of such State (S. Rept. 799);

H. R. 4406, settlement of U. S. claims against foreign governments, with amendments (S. Rept. 800);

S. Res. 141, declaring Senator Ferguson to be duly elected Senator from Michigan (S. Rept. 801);

S. Res. 142, declaring Senator Kilgore to be duly elected Senator from West Virginia (S. Rept. 802);

S. 450, to amend the Civil Aeronautics Act (powers of the Administrator) to permit assignment of work or functions to employees, and authorizing delegation of certain powers and duties to private persons, with amendments (S. Rept. 803); and

H. J. Res. 329, making temporary appropriations beyond July 31, 1949, for fiscal year 1950 for various governmental agencies until pending regular appropriation bills have been enacted, with amendment (S. Rept. 804). Pages 10321–10322, 10358

Bills Referred: Three House-passed bills were referred to appropriate committees. Page 10323

Foreign Military Aid: President's message heretofore received on military assistance to foreign countries was referred jointly to the Committees on Armed Services and Foreign Relations. Pages 10327–10332

Treaties Received: President transmitted convention between U. S. and Norway relating to double taxation and prevention of fiscal evasion of income taxes (Exec. Q), and convention between U. S. and Norway for avoidance of double taxation and prevention of fiscal evasion on estate and inheritance taxes (Exec. R)—both referred to Committee on Foreign Relations. Page 10322

Foreign-Aid Appropriations—Procedure: Senator Knowland filed motion to reconsider vote by which Senate yesterday overruled decision of the Chair, ruling out of order the Lucas point of order against committee amendment on use of surplus agricultural products. Page 10324

Insect Control: H. J. Res. 327, appropriating $3,500,000 for Department of Agriculture for control of insects and plant diseases, particularly grasshoppers, was passed with the committee amendment. Senate asked for a conference and appointed as conferees Senators McKellar, Hayden, Thomas of Oklahoma, McCarran, O'Mahoney, Gurney, Cordon, and Young. Page 10323

Military Reorganization — Unification: Adopted conference report on H. R. 5632, to convert the National Military Establishment into an executive department to be known as the Department of Defense, and to establish the responsibility and authority of the Secretary of Defense (National Security Act Amendments of 1949).

Election Resolutions: Adopted S. Res. 141, declaring Senator Ferguson to be duly elected Senator from Michigan, and S. Res. 142, declaring Senator Kilgore to be duly elected Senator from West Virginia.

Temporary Appropriations: Senate passed with committee amendment H. J. Res. 329, making temporary appropriations beyond July 31, 1949, for fiscal year 1950 for various governmental agencies until pending regular appropriation bills have been enacted; asked for a conference; and appointed as conferees Senators McKellar, Hayden, Thomas of Oklahoma, Bridges, and Gurney. Page 10358

Independent Offices Appropriations: Senate worked on H. R. 4177, independent offices appropriations for 1950, adopting additional committee amendments by voice vote, as well as taking the following action:

Adopted: By voice vote, committee amendment respecting funds for FTC as amended by Kefauver amendment increasing the funds to $3,739,000; by 61 yeas to 20 nays, committee amendment increasing by $16,509,000 funds for Federal-aid postwar highways; by voice vote, committee amendment respecting water pollution as amended by Taft amendment so as to restore half of the item of $500,000 which had been eliminated by the committee amendment; and committee amendment increasing by $2,426,000 funds for GAO, after rejecting modified Bridges amendment cutting this sum down by $1,708,450.

Rejected: By 41 yeas to 46 nays, committee amendment increasing by $1,610,000 funds for maintaining public buildings and grounds in D. C.; by 39 yeas to 48 nays, O'Mahoney amendment to increase by $1,000,000 funds for maintaining public buildings and grounds in D. C.; and by 38 yeas to 50 nays, committee amendment to increase by $1,000,000 funds for maintenance of public buildings and grounds outside D. C.

Pending at recess was Bridges amendment to cut by $2,407,500 the funds for Office of Housing Expediter, on which the yeas and nays were ordered. Pages 10336–10345, 10349–10369

Nominations: A total of 1,037 nominations were received, including 977 appointments in the Marine Corps, 56 in the Air Force, and 4 civilians, including 3 to be members of the War Claims Commission. Pages 10370–10372

Committee Meetings

FATS AND OILS—SOAP INDUSTRY

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Richard R. Deupree, chairman of the board, and Floyd M. Barnes, vice president, both of Procter & Gamble Co., appeared before the subcommittee in connection with its hearings on fats and oils to discuss the use of fats and oils in the soap industry. Subcommittee meets again tomorrow.

INSECT CONTROL

Committee on Appropriations: In executive session, the committee voted to report, with amendment, H. J. Res. 327, appropriating $3,500,000 for Department of Agriculture for control of insects and plant diseases, particularly grasshoppers.

TEMPORARY APPROPRIATION

Committee on Appropriations: In executive session, the committee voted to report with amendment H. J. Res. 329, to amend Public Law 154, Eighty-first Congress, making temporary appropriations for fiscal year 1950 for various governmental agencies until the regular pending appropriation bills are approved, by extending the date of that law beyond July 31, 1949. The amendment would extend the date from July 31, 1949, to August 15, 1949, instead of to August 31, 1949, as approved by the House.

THIRD DEFICIENCY APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee concluded hearings on H. R. 5300, third deficiency appropriations for 1949, after receiving testimony from Senator Chapman on funds for survey report on the Big South Fork River, Ky.; from Senator Young on the Mandan River project, North Dakota.; from F. M. Goodwin, Washington attorney, on item on compensation for expenses of Indian delegates and alternates representing the Indians of California; and from A. W. Motley, Employment Service, on an item relating to "employment of foreign agricultural workers subject to immigration laws and when necessary to supplement the domestic labor force."

COAL INDUSTRY LABOR NEGOTIATIONS

Committee on Banking and Currency: The following witnesses appeared before the committee to discuss the effect of the proposed coal "czar" appointment and 3-day workweek in the coal mines on independent coal producers and consumer prices: Rolla D. Campbell, general counsel, Island Creek Coal Co., Huntington, W. Va.; Jesse V. Sullivan, executive secretary, West Virginia Coal Association, Charleston; Justin Potter, president, National Coal Co., Nashville; and J. E. Moody, president, Southern Coal Producers Association, Washington, D. C. Hearings continue tomorrow.

HOUSING

Committee on Banking and Currency: Continuing hearings on S. 2246, proposing amendments to the National Housing Act affecting mortgage-insurance program administered by the FHA and the secondary market program of the Federal National Mortgage Association, the subcommittee received testimony from Evans Woollen, Jr., president, and William A. Reckman, both of the American Bankers Association, in opposition to the bill; from Rodney Lockwood, president, and W. P. Atkinson, chairman of legislative committee, both of the National Association of Home Builders, in support of liberalizing mortgage-insurance pro-

visions for low-cost homes, and in opposition to direct loans to cooperatives; John W. Edelman and Leo Goodman, both of the CIO, in support of title III on direct loans to cooperatives, with emphasis on the needs for such a title; and A. J. Rightly, president, National Cooperative Mutual Housing Association, in support of title III, and title I class-3 mortgage insurance under the National Housing Act. Hearings continue tomorrow.

D. C. BILLS

Committee on the District of Columbia: In executive session, the committee voted to report the following bills:

With amendment, S. 1126, to amend the Boiler Inspection Act of the District of Columbia; S. 2028, to permit the Board of Education of the D. C. to participate in the foreign-teacher exchange program in cooperation with the U. S. Office of Education; and H. R. 2886, to authorize killing of starlings in D. C.; and

Without amendment, S. 973, to exempt from taxation certain property of the National Society of the Colonial Dames of America in the D. C.

It voted to report adversely S. 700, a private bill, and S. 1927, to provide flight training for students of D. C. senior high schools.

The committee adopted its subcommittee's report to defer action at this time on S. 941, to amend the D. C. Barber Act relative to the time barber shops shall be open for business.

The nomination of Edith H. Cockrill to be judge of the D. C. juvenile court was ordered reported favorably.

REORGANIZATION PLANS 1 AND 2

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Senator Taft appeared before the committee to testify in opposition to Reorganization Plan No. 1 of 1949, providing for a Department of Welfare, etc.

The following witnesses testified in opposition to plan 2, to transfer the Bureau of Employment Security from the FSA to the Department of Labor, etc.: Paul W. Kerr, Indiana State Chamber of Commerce; Herschel Atkinson, Ohio Chamber of Commerce and Council of State Chambers, Columbus, Ohio; and Ken Patty, assistant attorney general, State of Virginia, representing the Unemployment Compensation Commission of Virginia.

The following witnesses appeared before the committee to testify in support of plan 2: R. C. Goodwin, Director, Bureau of Employment Security; Charles Sattler, president, National Association of State Labor Commissioners, West Virginia; and Omar Ketchum, VFW. Hearings continue tomorrow on plan 1.

INTERNAL REVENUE AND COPPER

Committee on Finance: In executive session, committee voted to report favorably, with amendments, H. R. 5268, to amend certain provisions of the Internal Revenue Code including sections on farmers' return, foreign tax credit, charitable deductions by corporations, transfer of stocks between corporations and nominee, employee annuity contracts, and relinquishment of powers in case of reciprocal trusts. The amendments added by the committee follow: Johnson amendment relative to depletion allowance, Byrd amendment which in effect would repeal the Supreme Court Church case decision, and Williams amendment relative to estate and gift taxes.

Committee agreed to hold open hearings beginning next Thursday on repeal of suspension of import duties on copper.

FREIGHT FORWARDERS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Committee held hearings on S. 2113, to amend the Interstate Commerce Act to clarify the relationship of freight forwarders with motor common carriers, receiving testimony from the following witnesses in support of the bill: Giles Morrow, Freight Forwarders Institute; Earl Girard, Chicago-Milwaukee Motor Carriers Conference and Chicago Suburban Motor Carriers Association; T. L. Berry, Maxwell Steel Co., Fort Worth; Frank R. Russell, Denver Dry Goods Co., Denver; William H. Smallwood, Crown Cork & Seal Co., Baltimore; W. M. Bowing, Vendo Co., Kansas City, Mo.; Carl Ruroede, Jr., Liberty Motor Freight Lines, Secaucus, N. J.; Roy Friedl, Hancock Trucklines, Evansville; Loren Hendrix, Midwest Haulers, Inc., Toledo; John Bridge, Bridgeways, Inc., Detroit; Robert E. Sullivan, Sullivan Truck Lines, Inc., Philadelphia; R. F. Hunter, Keyes Fibre Co., Waterville, Maine; I. W. Whitaker, Aluminum Goods Manufacturing Co., Manitowoc, Wis.; E. J. Simeone, G. R. Kinney Co., Harrisburg, Pa.; and Carl Biers, Brotherhood of Railway and Steamship Clerks and Freight Handlers.

Walter M. W. Splawn, chairman, legislative committee, ICC, appeared to present the views of the Commission.

J. M. Hood, president, American Shortline Railroad Association, appeared in opposition to the bill. Hearings continue tomorrow.

IMMIGRATION—SUBVERSIVE ALIENS

Committee on the Judiciary: J. Anthony Marcus, president, Institute of International Trade, appeared before the subcommittee in connection with its hearings on S. 1832 and S. 1694, to amend the Immigration Act of 1918 to provide for exclusion and deportation of subversive aliens, to testify in support of the proposed legislation. Subcommittee adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES COMPENSATION

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee met in executive session to consider for reporting to the full committee H. R. 3191, to amend Federal Employees Compensation Act by extending coverage to civilian officers of the U. S. and by making benefits more realistic in terms of present wage rates, but did not conclude its work. It will meet again on this bill tomorrow.

POSTAL EMPLOYEES AND POSTAL SERVICE, AND RETIREMENT BENEFITS FOR WIDOWS

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: In executive session, the committee voted to report, without amendment, S. 1825, promotions for temporary postal employees; S. 2226, relating to the compensation of certain employees of the Panama Canal; H. R. 91, to provide for a research and development program in the Post Office Department; and H. R. 1516, automatic promotions for part-time employees in the custodial service of the Post Office Department; and

With amendments, H. R. 2944, to amend Civil Service Retirement Act of 1930 to provide survivorship benefits for widows or widowers of persons retiring under such act; and S. 1772, leave and promotion regulations for postal field employees.

Two hundred and thirty-nine postmaster nominations were ordered reported favorably.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Eight public bills, H. R. 5804–5811; five private bills, H. R. 5812–5816; and five resolutions, H. J. Res. 329, H. Con. Res. 113 and 114, and H. Res. 301 and 302, were introduced. Pages 10394–10395

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. R. 3113, to amend title 28 of the U. S. Code "Judiciary and Judicial Procedure" and incorporate therein provisions relating to the U. S. Tax Court (H. Rept. 1138);

H. R. 5526, to authorize the President to provide for the performance of certain functions of the President by other officers of the Government (H. Rept. 1139); and

H. R. 1758, to amend the Natural Gas Act of 1938 relative to Federal Power Commission's regulatory powers over transportation and sales of gas (H. Rept. 1140). Page 10394

Temporary Appropriations: Adopted H. J. Res. 329, to amend Public Law 154 (81st Cong.) making temporary appropriations for fiscal year 1950 by extending from July 31 to August 31 the time in which certain Governmental functions can be carried on under temporary appropriations while their regular appropriation bills are pending approval. Pages 10373–10374

Private Bills: The House agreed to Senate amendments to H. R. 1288, 1472, 2850, 1466, 1625, and 2084, all private bills, thereby clearing them for Presidential action. Pages 10374–10375

GAR Encampment: Adopted H. Con. Res. 102, providing for the attendance of a joint congressional committee at the eighty-third and final encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic. Pages 10381–10382

Experimental Submarines: Passed, by voice vote, H. R. 4007, to amend the act approved May 16, 1947, authorizing the construction of experimental submarines. This bill increases from $30 million to $41 million the limitation upon the cost of construction of two experimental submarine vessels.

H. Res. 300, the rule for consideration of H. R. 4007, was previously adopted. Pages 10381–10387

Committee Meetings

FATS AND OILS

Committee on Agriculture: Held further hearings on H. R. 4538, 4880, and 4893, fats and oils parity bills. Winthrop Brown, Director, Office of International Trade Policy, Department of State, spoke in opposition to the bills. G. L. Prichard, Director, Fats and Oils Branch, PMA, Department of Agriculture, stated that it was doubtful that the bill would bring more than transient aid in the way of higher prices to domestic producers of the raw materials from which fats and oils are derived. Other witnesses heard were Wilbur LaRoe, general counsel, National Independent Meatpackers Association, Washington, D. C., and Lloyd C. Halverson, economist, National Grange, Washington, D. C. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

CONSERVATION AND EXTENSION WORK

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee No. 2 approved for reporting to the full committee H. R. 829, to authorize Secretary of Agriculture to accept buildings and improvements constructed by Buffalo Rapids Farms Association on project lands in Buffalo Rapids water conservation and utilization project and canceling certain indebtedness. Representative D'Ewart, author of the bill, and John Goe, of the Soil Conservation Service, testified. It was developed in the testimony that the value of the buildings and improvements exceeds unpaid balance of obligations and liquidation of association's interest would simplify Government's accounting and

supervisory responsibilities and be helpful to Government, farmers, and all concerned.

Also approved H. R. 4090, to extend to Puerto Rico same benefits which the States and Hawaii are at present receiving for further development of cooperative agricultural extension work. Delegate Fernós-Isern, sponsor of the bill, and Walter H. Conway, Assistant Director of Extension Service, were heard on this measure.

Also considered, but postponed action on, H. R. 402, to authorize a program for construction of county agricultural buildings, through assistance in planning and financing. Testifying on this bill were Representative Hays of Arkansas, sponsor of the measure; Representative Pace; Arthur B. Thatcher, Chief, Office of Plant and Operations; and Paul V. Kepner, assistant to Director of Extension Service.

HOUSING

Committee on Banking and Currency: The following witnesses testified at today's hearings on H. R. 5631, the omnibus housing bill: Jack Carter, National Housing Officer, VFW, spoke on the whole measure but particularly as it relates to cooperatives; Representative Lind discussed the disposition of a housing project in his congressional district; and G. Gresham Griggs, Bridgeport, Conn., dwelt on the subject of cooperatives. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

LABOR EXTENSION SERVICE

Committee on Education and Labor: Kelley subcommittee today concluded hearings on H. R. 1380 and 3785, Labor Extension Service bills to broaden the cooperative extension system by providing for cooperative extension work between colleges receiving benefits and other colleges, research agencies, and the U. S. Labor Department. Witnesses testifying on this legislation were Walter Mason, legislative representative of the AFL; George R. Nelson, International Association of Machinists; W. D. Johnson, Railway Labor Executives Association, Washington, D. C.; and Hilda W. Smith, chairman of the National Committee for the Extension of Labor Education, Washington, D. C.

MILITARY AID TO EUROPE

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Opened hearings on H. R. 5748, to promote the foreign policy and provide for the defense and general welfare of the United States by furnishing military assistance to foreign nations, and heard the Secretary of State Dean Acheson. Committee will meet again tomorrow on this same subject.

SCHOOL HEALTH SERVICES

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Met in executive session to consider S. 1411, amended, to provide for the general welfare by enabling the several States to make more adequate provision for the health of school children through the development of school health services for the prevention, diagnosis, and treatment of physical and mental defects and conditions. The entire committee will meet again tomorrow for executive consideration of the subcommittee print of this bill.

LIBERTY SHIPS

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: The Subcommittee on Maritime Affairs approved for reporting to the full committee H. R. 3419 as amended. This bill amends the Merchant Ship Sales Act of 1946 relative to trading in Liberty tankers or Liberty ships.

VETERANS—CIVIL-SERVICE RETIREMENT

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Ordered the following two bills reported to the House:

S. 974, to amend the Veterans Preference Act of 1944 with respect to certain mothers of veterans; and

S. 1977, to extend the time within which legislative employees may come within the purview of the Civil Service Retirement Act.

Also appointed two subcommittees to consider postal rates: Representative Herlong, on first and fourth classes and special services, and Representative Miller of California on second and third classes.

OIL—INDIANS—HAWAII—PARKS AND CEMETERIES

Committee on Public Lands: Ordered the following bills reported to the House:

S. 1647, amended, to eliminate premium payments in the purchase of Government royalty oil under existing contracts entered into pursuant to the act of July 13, 1946;

H. R. 5473, amended, rehabilitation of certain Montana Indian tribes;

H. R. 5489, ratifying and confirming certain session laws of Hawaii for 1949; and

H. R. 5570, rehabilitation of the Chippewa Cree tribe of Indians, Montana.

Further over-all discussions were held on national-park concessions and national cemeteries. Speaking on the subject of national parks were H. H. Hoss, attorney for Western Conference of National Park Concessioners; W. R. Rouse, assistant general counsel, Union Pacific Railroad Co., which owns the Utah Parks Co.; and Mr. Weis, attorney for Yellowstone Park concessioners. W. L. Halberstadt, Charlotte, N. C., spoke against the establishment of national cemeteries.

RIVERS AND HARBORS

Committee on Public Works: The Subcommittee on Rivers and Harbors approved three review resolutions to be reported to the full committee. Will meet again at the call of the Chair.

COMMUNISM

Committee on Un-American Activities: Reopened hearings on the subject of communism in the District of Columbia with Samuel J. Rodman, a builder, being called for questioning concerning membership in the Communist Party, which was denied by him. Witnesses called for this particular case were Max Fink, builder, and Charles D. Enterline, both of Washington, D. C. Adjourned subject to the call of the Chair.

VETERANS' TRAINING

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Continued hearings on H. R. 3067 and 4898, relating to building-trades training under the GI bill of rights, and heard additional testimony from H. V. Stirling of the Veterans' Administration. Committee adjourned to meet again Tuesday morning on the same subject.

SOCIAL SECURITY

Committee on Ways and Means: Held further executive meetings on Social Security Act revisions and will continue with this subject tomorrow morning.

Joint Committee Meetings

MILITARY REORGANIZATION—UNIFICATION

Conferees on H. R. 5632, to reorganize fiscal management in the National Military Establishment to promote economy and efficiency (Senate substituted contents of S. 1843 for that of H. R. 5632), met in executive session and agreed to file a conference report on the differences between the two passed versions of the bill. As agreed to by conferees, the report embodies primarily the Senate-passed version of H. R. 5632, or the contents of S. 1843 as passed by the Senate.

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HIGHLIGHTS

Senate continued work on independent offices appropriations.

Senate committee voted to report foreign-aid appropriations, and subcommittees acted on labor-management investigation, and bills on civil service, Federal employees, and postal carriers.

Fair employment practices bill ordered reported by House committee.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 10395–10401

Bills Introduced: Eight bills and five resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2345 to S. 2352; S. J. Res. 122; and S. Res. 144 to 147.

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Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 1033, to amend further the Philippine Rehabilitation Act of 1946 to authorize the Philippine War Damage Commission to compensate for damages suffered to schools, with amendment (S. Rept. 805);

S. 1126, to amend the Boiler Inspection Act of D. C., with amendments (S. Rept. 806);

H. R. 2886, to authorize killing of starlings in D. C., with amendments (S. Rept. 807);

S. 973, to exempt from taxation certain property of the National Society of the Colonial Dames of America in the D. C. (S. Rept. 808);

S. 2028, to permit the Board of Education of the D. C. to participate in the foreign-teacher exchange program in cooperation with the U. S. Office of Education, with amendments (S. Rept. 809);

S. 1825, promotions for temporary postal employees (S. Rept. 810);

H. R. 91, to provide for a research and development program in the Post Office Department (S. Rept. 811);

S. Res. 144, to pay a gratuity to the widow of a deceased Senate employee (no written report);

S. Res. 145, providing for expenditures from contingent fund by Joint Committee on Economic Cooperation (no written report); and

S. Res. 146, electing Senator Stennis as a member of the Joint Committee on the Library (no written report).

Pages 10396–10397

Bill Referred: One House-passed bill was referred to appropriate committee. Page 10399

Foreign-Aid Appropriations: Committee on Appropriations was authorized to report H. R. 4830, foreign-

aid appropriations for 1950, during the recess of the Senate. Pages 10401–10409

Routine Resolutions: The following routine resolutions were adopted: S. Res. 144, to pay a gratuity to the widow of a deceased Senate employee; S. Res. 145, providing for expenditures from contingent fund by Joint Committee on Economic Cooperation; and S. Res. 146, electing Senator Stennis as a member of the Joint Committee on the Library. Pages 10396–10397

Independent Offices Appropriations: Senate continued work on H. R. 4177, adopting additional committee amendments by voice vote, as well as taking the following action:

Adopted: By voice vote, committee amendment respecting funds for Office of Housing Expediter, as amended by Bridges amendment to cut such funds by $2,407,500, which amendment was adopted by 45 yeas to 42 nays; by 45 yeas to 40 nays, committee amendment to increase by $300,000 the funds for ICC; and by voice vote, committee amendment increasing by $4.9 million funds for National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics, after rejecting, by voice vote, Bridges amendment to cut this increase to $2.6 million.

Rejected: By voice vote, committee amendment increasing by $30,000 funds for D. C. redevelopment project planning.

Pending at recess was Williams amendment to committee amendment respecting funds for U. S. Maritime Commission so as to cut its funds by $2,478,721 rather than to increase them by $674,000 as contemplated by committee amendment. Pages 10409–10419, 10428–10438

Confirmations: The nominations of Paul A. Porter, of Kentucky, to be representative on Conciliation Commission for Palestine, and of Edith H. Cockrill to be judge of the juvenile court of D. C. were confirmed, along with 239 postmasters and 2 Coast Guard nominations. Pages 10439–10441

Nominations: Eight Public Health appointments were received, along with one in the Marine Corps. Page 10440

Committee Meetings

FARM PROGRAM

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Subcommittee on General Farm Legislation met in executive session to consider proposed farm policy to be included in legislation on that subject, but made no announcement of action taken. Subcommittee plans another meeting on Monday or Tuesday of next week.

FATS AND OILS—SOAP INDUSTRY

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Ernest Gillam, Gillam Soap Co., Fort Worth, representing independent soap makers, appeared before the subcommittee, in connection with its hearings on fats and oils, to testify on the use of fats and oils in the soap industry.

FOREIGN-AID APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: In executive session, the committee voted to report H. R. 4830, foreign-aid appropriations for 1950, in the same form, including the same amounts of appropriations, as reported to the Senate the first time on July 12, with the following exceptions: Committee voted to approve all changes in the bill the Senate had made before it was recommitted; it eliminated the provision allocating $150,000,000 to the Export-Import Bank for assistance on credit terms; it rewrote various provisions which were considered as legislation in an appropriation bill to make them limitations instead of legislation; and struck out, or eliminated, various provisions as carried in the first reported bill which were considered by the committee to be legislation.

HOUSING

Committee on Banking and Currency: Subcommittee concluded hearings on S. 2246, proposing amendments to the National Housing Act affecting mortgage-insurance program administered by the FHA and the secondary market program of the Federal National Mortgage Association, after receiving testimony from David L. Krooth, member of board and counsel, Public Housing Conference, in support of the bill generally and particularly title III on loans to cooperatives; Raymond M. Foley, Administrator of Housing and Home Finance Agency, continuing his support of the bill but suggesting some amendments and countering some arguments which have been given the subcommittee in opposition to the bill; and Franklin D. Richards, Federal Housing Commissioner, and aides, discussing current operations under section 608 of the National Housing Act, as amended, which is devoted to large-scale rental housing.

COAL INDUSTRY LABOR NEGOTIATIONS

Committee on Banking and Currency: Tyre Taylor, Southern States Industrial Council, Washington, D. C., and A. R. Long, president, Brookside-Pratt Mining Co., Birmingham, Ala., testified before the committee on the effect of the proposed coal "czar" appointment and the 3-day workweek in the coal mines on independent coal producers and consumer prices. Committee meets again August 1.

REORGANIZATION PLAN NO. 1

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Committee held further hearings on Reorganization Plan No. 1 of 1949, providing for a Department of Welfare, etc., receiving testimony in support of the plan from Dr. R. P. Fischelis, American Pharmaceutical Association, Washington, D. C.; and Dr. George F. Zook, president, American Council on Education, Washington, D. C.

The following appeared in opposition: Dr. Frank Borzell, speaker of the house of delegates, AMA, Philadelphia; and Dr. Marjorie Shearon, editor, American Medicine and the Political Scene, Washington, D. C.

MILITARY AID—SUBCOMMITTEES

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee met in executive session to discuss preliminary plans as to date and procedure of hearings on proposed legislation on military aid to foreign nations.

Three subcommittees, together with their respective memberships for study of pending legislation, were appointed as follows:

(1) Subcommittee on the St. Lawrence Seaway, with membership consisting of Senators Tydings, chairman, George, Fulbright, Wiley, and Smith of New Jersey;

(2) Subcommittee on the Genocide Convention, with membership consisting of Senators McMahon, chairman, Thomas of Utah, Pepper, Hickenlooper, and Lodge; and

(3) Subcommittee on Resolutions Relating to the United Nations Charter, World Federation, etc., with membership consisting of Senators Thomas of Utah, chairman, Green, McMahon, Wiley, and Smith of New Jersey.

FREIGHT FORWARDERS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Continuing hearings on S. 2113, to amend the Interstate Commerce Act to clarify the relationship of freight forwarders with motor common carriers, the committee received further testimony in support of the bill from John Coyle, Eastman Kodak Co., Rochester, N. Y., and Fred C. Hogue, Denver & Rio Grande Western Railroad.

The following witnesses testified in opposition to the bill: W. H. Ott, National Industrial Traffic League, Chicago; John V. Lawrence, American Trucking Associations, Washington, D. C.; Joseph F. Eshelman, Pennsylvania Railroad, Washington, D. C.; and Carl Wheat, attorney, Washington, D. C. Hearings resume August 9.

LABOR-MANAGEMENT INVESTIGATION, INDUSTRIAL SAFETY, AND MEDICAL EDUCATION

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: In executive session, the committee voted to report favorably to the Senate the nomination of Philip M. Kaiser, Virginia, to be Assistant Secretary of Labor.

It voted to report without amendment S. 1439, to provide for Federal aid to States in promoting industrial safety, and S. Res. 140, to provide $25,000 to conduct an investigation of the entire field of labor-management relations.

The committee also considered a substitute version of S. 1453, medical education bill, but put over further action on the bill until next Tuesday, August 2.

GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES COMPENSATION

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee, in executive session, agreed to report to the full committee H. R. 3191, to amend Federal Employees Compensation Act by extending coverage to civilian officers of the U. S. and by making benefits more realistic in terms of present wage rates.

CIVIL SERVICE, FEDERAL EMPLOYEES, AND POSTAL CARRIERS

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: In executive session, the subcommittee voted to report to the full committee without amendment H. R. 2662, to allow employees of the executive branch of the Government to participate in funerals for deceased members of the armed forces returned to U. S. for burial, without loss of pay or use of accrued leave; H. R. 3383, basing Federal employees' compensation for night work on either standard or daylight saving time; H. R. 3826, to amend the act of January 16, 1883, an act to regulate and improve the civil service of the U. S.; and S. 1480, to provide credit for salary purposes to carriers advanced from the status of village delivery to city delivery.

It agreed to report with amendment S. 1479, to abolish the village delivery service of the Post Office Department, and to transfer village carriers to the city delivery service.

In open hearings the subcommittee received testimony from Peter Connolly and George Miller, both of Post Office Department, generally in support of S. 1596, to authorize the Postmaster General to enter into special agreements for certain switching service by railway common carriers. Richard F. Mitchell, ICC, appeared in opposition to the bill. The subcommittee put off action on this bill until a later date.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Monday, August 1, at 12 o'clock noon.

Committee Meetings

FATS AND OILS

Committee on Agriculture: Continued hearings on H. R. 4538, 4880, and 4893, providing an average parity

price for fats and oils and to aid in maintaining such parity price to producers. John B. Gordon, secretary, Bureau of Raw Materials for American Vegetable Oils and Fats Industries, spoke in opposition to the legislation. L. Blaine Liljenquist, Washington representative, Western States Meat Packers Association, Inc., and Dr. John L. Coulter, economist, National Renderers Association, appeared as proponent witnesses.

POTATO MARKETING QUOTAS

Committee on Agriculture: Special subcommittee, considering H. R. 5751, amending the Agricultural Act of 1938 to provide allotments and marketing quotas for potatoes heard Chairman Pace, who presented a complete statement regarding the national potato situation and the bill before the special subcommittee, calling attention to the recommendations of the National Potato Council. Members of this council and other potato associations appearing on behalf of the bill were John C. Broome, secretary, Southeastern Potato Committee, and chairman of the special legislative committee, National Potato Council; W. M. Case, executive secretary, Red River Valley Potato Growers' Association, North Dakota; Clifford G. McIntire, assistant general manager, Maine Potato Growers, Inc.; and Favor H. Smith, executive secretary, Long Island Agricultural Council, Riverhead, N. Y.

Members of the House who testified on the bill were Representatives Bonner, Fellows, Nelson, Miller of Nebraska, and Sanborn.

Following the open hearing the special subcommittee considered the legislation in an executive session. As a result of this meeting it was announced by Representative Pace that further action by this group on this bill will be suspended and "it will be the recommendation of the subcommittee that the mandatory support level on potatoes for next year (1950 crop) be discontinued, and that price support for potatoes be put on a discretionary basis."

HOUSING

Committee on Banking and Currency: At today's hearings on H. R. 5631, omnibus housing bill, C. N. Nichols, managing director, Northeastern Roofing, Siding, and Insulating Contractors Association, Inc., and Albert W. Hess, director, Consumers Bankers Association, testified particularly in connection with the title I program and urged that it be made a permanent one. T. B. King, director, Loan Guaranty Service, Veterans' Administration, represented that agency; and A. J. Rightley, president, National Cooperative Mutual Housing Association, and David Krooth, representing the National Public Housing Conference, testified in favor of financial aids to cooperatives. Hearings will be continued on Monday.

FAIR EMPLOYMENT PRACTICES

Committee on Education and Labor: Ordered reported to the House H. R. 4453, amended, to prohibit discrimination in employment because of race, color, religion, or national origin.

FOREIGN MILITARY AID

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Continued hearings on H. R. 5748, the foreign military assistance bill. Speaking in favor of the proposed $1,450,000,000 arms-aid program were Secretary of Defense Louis Johnson; Gen. Omar Bradley, Chief of Staff, U. S. Army; Gen. Hoyt S. Vandenberg, Chief of Staff, U. S. Air Forces; and Adm. Louis E. Denfeld, Chief of Naval Operations. Hearings will be continued on Monday.

SCHOOL HEALTH SERVICES

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Held further executive consideration of the subcommittee print of S. 1411, school health services bill. Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

MONOPOLY

Committee on the Judiciary: The Special Subcommittee on the Study of Monopoly Power received testimony of Attorneys Thurman Arnold, of Washington, D. C., and H. L. Toulmin, of Dayton, Ohio. Further hearings on this study are scheduled for next Monday, Wednesday, and Friday.

FEDERAL PAY RAISE

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: The following witnesses testified before the Murray subcommittee at today's hearings on Federal and postal workers' pay increases: Paul M. Castiglioni, legislative representative, National Federation of Post Office Motor Vehicle Employees; Ross Messer, legislative representative, National Association of Post Office Maintenance Employees; Harold McAvoy, president, Mail Handlers, Watchmen, and Messengers Union, AFL; George Riley, member of the legislative committee, AFL; Thomas G. Walters, operations director, Government Employees Council, AFL; Roy Eldean, vice president, United Public Workers of America, CIO; and Harry Leet, legislative counsel, Government Workers Union, CIO.

Hearings will be resumed on Monday.

INDIAN BILLS

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Indian Affairs met and approved the following bills for reporting to the full committee: H. R. 2736, to subject Indians and Indian reservations in Wisconsin to State laws, with certain exceptions; H. R. 4069, to reserve certain land on public domain in Nevada for addition to the Summit Lake Indian Reservation; H. R. 4231; to reserve certain land on the public domain in Utah for addition to Goshute Indian Reservation; H. R. 4509, amending the Act for the Relief of the Flathead Nation of Indians; H. R. 5097, administration of Indian livestock loans; H. R. 5098, amended, providing that any restricted Indian lands may be leased by the Indian owners with Department of the Interior approval for certain purposes, including development and use of natural resources and those farming purposes requiring substantial improvement investments for specified crops (the leases, which may be for 25 years, can contain a provision authorizing renewal for another 25 years); H. R. 5556, making certain surplus property available for Indian use; H. R. 5390, amended, exchange of certain Navajo tribal land for certain Utah State land; and H. R. 5670, authorizing transfer of land to the county of Bernalillo, State of New Mexico, for a hospital site.

Considered, but took no action on, H. R. 4942, collection and disbursement of money realized from leases of Seneca Indian lands in New York. William Zimmerman and H. M. Critchfield, both of the Department of the Interior, spoke in favor of all the bills.

COLUMBIA VALLEY ADMINISTRATION

Committee on Public Works: Reopened hearings on H. R. 4286, to establish a Columbia Valley Administration, receiving the testimony of Thomas C. Blaisdell, Office of the Secretary of Commerce, and Director of the Office of International Trade, followed by Edward Falck, of the National Security Resources Board. Hearings will be continued on Monday.

SOCIAL SECURITY

Committee on Ways and Means: Held further studies on proposed changes to the Social Security Act. Will resume on same subject on Monday.

Joint Committee Meetings

TELEVISION BOXING RIGHTS

Committees on the District of Columbia: The joint Senate-House Judiciary Subcommittees held hearings on H. R. 5578, to regulate boxing and exhibition contests. This bill would strengthen the Boxing Commission's authority and assure a percentage of television rights revenue from boxing contests. Endorsing the legislation were Guy Mason, D. C. Board of Commissioners; Oliver Gasch, Assistant Corporation Counsel; and Col. Harvey L. Miller, chairman, D. C. Boxing Commission. Speaking in opposition were Charles E. Ford, attorney, representing Mrs. Florence Turner, and Goldie Ahearn, both promoters.

Monday, August 1, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate worked on independent offices appropriations.

House passed 41 miscellaneous bills.

Senate Committees on the Judiciary, and Interior and Insular Affairs reported various bills.

Bills on cotton-acreage allotments and national banking association mergers cleared for House action by Rules Committee.

See Résumé of Congressional Activity.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 10441–10450

Bills Introduced: Ten bills were introduced, as follows: S. 2353 to S. 2362. Pages 10443–10444

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. R. 4830, foreign-aid appropriations for 1950, with amendments (S. Rept. 812)—reported July 30;

S. 1382, authorizing Secretary of Interior to construct, operate, and maintain the Vermejo reclamation project, New Mexico, with amendment (S. Rept. 813);

S. 2080, to make effective the International Convention for the Regulation of Whaling, with amendments (S. Rept. 814);

S. 51, to authorize reimbursement for official travel by privately owned autos by officers and employees of U. S. courts at rate of 7 cents per mile (S. Rept. 816);

S. 48, to increase to $15 per day the limit on subsistence expenses allowed to justices and judges traveling on official business, and to authorize reimbursement for such travel by privately owned autos at the rate of 7 cents per mile, with amendment (S. Rept. 817);

S. 938, to amend the Bankruptcy Act relative to farmer-debtor relief, with amendment (S. Rept. 819);

S. 1385, providing that excess-land provisions of Federal reclamation laws should apply to certain lands that will receive a supplemental water supply from the San Luis Valley project, Colorado (S. Rept. 825);

H. R. 2432, to restore to tribal ownership certain lands upon the Colville Indian Reservation, Wash., with amendment (S. Rept. 826); and

The following private bills: S. Con. Res. 58, S. 874, S. 2125, H. R. 637, 1679, 2602, and 1279 (S. Repts. 815, 818, 820–824, respectively). Page 10442

AEC Report: Semiannual report of U. S. Atomic Energy Commission was received and was ordered printed as S. Doc. 101. Page 10442

Foreign-Aid Appropriations: Senators McKellar and Bridges submitted a series of motions to suspend the rules for the purpose of offering amendments to H. R. 4830, foreign-aid appropriations for 1950. Pages 10444–10445

Naval Officers: H. R. 5238, to authorize the adjustment of certain lineal positions of certain officers of the naval service, was passed and cleared for the President. S. 2192, a similar bill, was indefinitely postponed. Page 10449

Independent Offices Appropriations: Senate continued consideration of H. R. 4177, independent offices appropriations for 1950, adopting additional committee amendments by voice vote, as well as taking the following actions:

Adopted: By 45 yeas to 43 nays, committee amendment increasing funds for U. S. Maritime Commission by $674,000, after rejecting by 30 yeas to 56 nays, Williams' amendment to decrease funds for U. S. Maritime Commission by $2,478,721; by voice vote, Aiken motion to eliminate proviso respecting use of funds and contract authority for acquisition and completion of vessels *Mariposa* and *Monterey;* and, by 33 yeas to 31 nays, Saltonstall amendment to committee amendment so as to increase funds for maritime training to the House-passed figure of $6,586,000 instead of $3,151,050 as proposed by committee. A motion to reconsider the vote on the Saltonstall amendment was then laid on the table, by 35 yeas to 30 nays. Pages 10450–10466, 10467–10482

Confirmations: Numerous routine Army, Navy, Air Force, and Marine Corps nominations were confirmed. Pages 10482–10486

Nominations: One Navy and one hundred and forty-three Regular Army nominations were received. Page 10482

Committee Meetings

ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF AGRICULTURE

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Committee, in executive session, voted to report favorably the nomination of Knox T. Hutchinson, of Tennessee, to be Assistant Secretary of Agriculture.

THIRD DEFICIENCY APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee met in executive session to mark up for reporting to the full committee H. R. 5300, third deficiency appropriations for 1949. Subcommittee adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

FOREIGN MILITARY AID AND NATIONAL DEFENSE

Committee on Armed Services: In executive session, the committee discussed procedure to be followed in conducting joint hearings by the Committee on Armed Services and the Committee on Foreign Relations on S. 2341, Foreign Military Assistance Act of 1949.

It also heard Commander Perry Brown, national commander of the American Legion, give a statement on the American Legion's concept of an over-all long-range national defense policy.

Eight hundred and forty nominations and promotions in the Army, Navy, and Marine Corps were ordered reported favorably.

COAL INDUSTRY LABOR NEGOTIATIONS

Committee on Banking and Currency: Continuing its hearings on the effect of the proposed coal "czar" appointment and the 3-day workweek in the coal mines on independent coal producers and consumer prices, the committee received testimony from Josephine Roche, director, welfare and retirement fund, UMW, on the general management of the welfare and retirement fund of the UMW, as to its accumulation and expenditures, including salaries of trustees and officers of the fund. Hearings continue tomorrow.

INDIANS, RECLAMATION, POLSON, MONT., AND SUBCOMMITTEE ON STRATEGIC MATERIALS

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: In executive session, committee voted to report, with amendments, H. R. 2432, to restore to tribal ownership certain lands upon the Colville Indian Reservation, Wash., and S. 1382, authorizing the Secretary of Interior to construct, operate, and maintain the Vermejo reclamation project, New Mexico; and, without amendment, H. R. 2869, to authorize appropriation in aid of a system of drainage and sanitation for the city of Polson, Mont.

It appointed a subcommittee to study bills on stimulation and exploration for and conservation of strategic and critical ores, metals, and minerals (S. 240, 2105, 2320, and 2230) consisting of Senators O'Mahoney, chairman, Murray, Kerr, Malone, and Watkins.

Committee resumes hearings on its investigation of the Bureau of Reclamation on Wednesday.

BANKRUPTCY, JUDGES, AND OFFICIALS OF THE COURTS

Committee on the Judiciary: In executive session, committee voted to report, with amendment, S. 938, to amend the Bankruptcy Act relative to farmer-debtor relief, and S. 48, to increase to $15 per day the limit on subsistence expenses allowed to justices and judges traveling on official business, and to authorize reimbursement for such travel by privately owned autos at the rate of 7 cents per mile; and, without amendment, S. 51, to authorize reimbursement for official travel by privately owned autos by officers and employees of U. S. courts at rate of 7 cents per mile.

Three private claims bills were ordered reported: H. R. 637, 1279, and S. 2125.

Three private immigration bills were ordered reported favorably: S. 874, H. R. 1679 and 2602.

One original concurrent resolution on deportation referral cases was authorized introduced and reported.

Three bills were indefinitely postponed: S. 161, private claims bill; S. 1258, to provide additional Federal district judge for Kansas; and S. 963, to authorize recovery of claims for certain damage by recent storms.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Twenty-four public bills, H. R. 5817–5840; eleven private bills, H. R. 5841–5851; and seven resolutions, H. J. Res. 330, H. Con. Res. 115 and 116, and H. Res. 303–306, were introduced. Pages 10522, 10526–10527

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

Conference report on H. R. 5632, the military reorganization and unification bill (filed on July 28) (H. Rept. 1142);

Disposition of executive papers (H. Repts. 1143–1147);

H. R. 5738, to amend the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938 relative to cotton acreage allotments and marketing quotas (H. Rept. 1148);

S. 1977, to extend the time within which legislative employees may come within the purview of the Civil Service Retirement Act (H. Rept. 1149);

S. 1647, to eliminate premium payments in the purchase of Government royalty oil under contracts entered into pursuant to the act of July 13, 1946 (60 Stat. 533) (H. Rept. 1150);

H. R. 5473, to provide for the rehabilitation of the Gros Ventre and Assiniboine Tribes of Indians on Fort Belknap Reservation, Mont. (H. Rept. 1151);

H. R. 5570, to promote the rehabilitation of the Chippewa Cree Tribe of Indians of the Rocky Boys Reservation, Mont. (H. Rept. 1152);

H. R. 5489, to ratify and confirm Act 251 of the Session Laws of Hawaii, 1949 (H. Rept. 1153);

S. 974, to amend the Veterans Preference Act of 1944 with respect to certain mothers of veterans (H. Rept. 1154);

H. R. 5731, to discharge a fiduciary obligation to Iran (H. Rept. 1155);

H. Res. 294, to amend the Rules of the House to provide that the Delegate from Alaska shall serve on the Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries (H. Rept. 1156);

H. Res. 304, providing for the consideration of, and 1 hour of debate on, H. R. 5738, to amend the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938 (H. Rept. 1157); and

H. Res. 305, providing for consideration of, and 1 hour of general debate on, H. R. 1161, to provide for the conversion of national banking associations into, and their merger or consolidation with, State banks (H. Rept. 1158). Page 10526

Temporary Appropriations: Agreed to Senate amendment to H. J. Res. 329, to amend Public Law 154 (81st Cong.) making temporary appropriations for fiscal year 1950, thereby clearing the measure for Presidential action. Page 10487

Insects: Disagreed to Senate amendments to H. J. Res. 327, making a supplemental appropriation of $1,500,000 for control of emergency outbreaks of insects and plant diseases administered by the Bureau of Entomology and

Plant Quarantine of the Department of Agriculture; agreed to a conference requested by the Senate; and appointed as conferees Representatives Cannon, Kerr, Rabaut, Taber, and Wigglesworth.

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Consent Calendar: Passed the following bills on the call of the Consent Calendar:

Cleared for the President:

Ohio bridge: S. 755, relative to construction of a bridge over the Ohio River at Shawneetown, Ohio.

National Guard armory: S. 803, to convey a tract of land in Prince Georges County, Md., to the State of Maryland for use as a site for a National Guard armory.

Panama Code: S. 1136, to amend the Panama Canal Zone Code regarding powers of the Governor.

Canal Zone: S. 1137, to revise and codify laws of the Canal Zone regarding the administration of estates.

CAA: S. 1278, to fix U. S. share of project costs involved in installation of high-intensity lighting on CAA-designated instrument-landing runways.

Federal airport: S. 1285, to authorize progressive partial payments to contractors under Federal airport program.

Civil-service retirement: S. 1459, to amend Civil Service Retirement Act by waiving time limitations in the case of employees whose disabling condition is essentially chronic.

Clinton Bridge Commission: S. 1577, in lieu of H. R. 5048, to revive and reenact the act to create the Clinton Bridge Commission and authorize it to construct, maintain, and operate a bridge across the Mississippi River between Clinton, Iowa, and Fulton, Ill.

Postmasters' compensation: S. 2030, in lieu of H. R. 5168, relative to compensation of postmasters at fourth-class post offices which have been advanced because of unusual conditions.

Sent to the Senate without amendment:

Missouri Basin project: H. R. 2538, to authorize completion of the land development and settlement of Angostura unit of the Missouri Basin project, notwithstanding a limitation of time.

Mississippi River bridge: H. R. 3478, to extend the time for completing construction of a bridge across the Mississippi River from St. Louis, Mo., to East St. Louis, Ill.

Blind: H. R. 3637, to permit the sending of braille writers to or from the blind at the same rates as provided for their transportation for repair purposes.

Land exchange: H. R. 4641, authorizing the Secretary of Agriculture to transfer certain land owned by U. S. in Plumas County, Calif., to said county in exchange for other land in Plumas County.

Hawaiian bonds: H. R. 4686, to authorize issuance of certain public-improvement bonds by Territory of Hawaii.

Hawaiian bonds: H. R. 4966, to enable the Legislature of Hawaii to authorize the city and county of Honolulu to issue sewer bonds.

Hawaiian bonds: H. R. 4968, to enable the Legislature of Hawaii to authorize the city and county of Honolulu to issue flood-control bonds.

Hawaiian bonds: H. R. 5459, to enable the Legislature of Hawaii to authorize the city and county of Honolulu to issue bonds to defray its share of the cost of public improvements constructed pursuant to improvement-district proceedings.

Retirement: H. R. 5465, to amend Civil Service Retirement of 1930 relative to computing annuities of employees paid on a fee basis.

Hawaiian bonds: H. R. 5490, to enable the Legislature of Hawaii to authorize the county of Kauai to issue public-improvement bonds.

Sent to the Senate, amended:

Indian lands: S. 1323, to declare that the U. S. holds certain lands in trust for the Pueblo Indians and the Canoncita Navajo group in New Mexico.

Land transfer: S. 1745, in lieu of H. R. 4442, to authorize the transfer to the Attorney General of a portion of the Vigo plant near Terre Haute, Ind., to supplement the farm lands required for U. S. prison system.

Ohio land: H. R. 3071, to authorize the Secretary of the Army to purchase certain property in Morgan County, Ohio.

Louisville Marine Hospital: H. R. 3197, relating to the sale of the old Louisville Marine Hospital, Jefferson County, Ky.

Harney National Forest: H. R. 3926, to rename a game sanctuary in Harney National Forest as the "Norbeck Wildlife Preserve."

Indian funds: H. R. 4025, to transfer control over Indian tribal funds to the Indian tribes.

Fort Des Moines: H. R. 4569, to authorize the transfer of Fort Des Moines, Iowa, to the State of Iowa.

Hawaiian bonds: H. R. 4967, to enable the Legislature of Hawaii to authorize the city and county of Honolulu to issue bonds for public-park improvements in city of Honolulu.

Puerto Rico: H. R. 5207, amending the Organic Act of Puerto Rico relating to expenses of courts and judges.

Indian contracts: H. R. 5372, to authorize the negotiation, approval, and ratification of separate settlement contracts with various Indian tribes.

Feed and seed loans: H. R. 5592, to authorize the cancellation, adjustment, and collection of certain emergency feed and seed loans.

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Kentucky: Passed, by unanimous consent, H. R. 3480, to authorize educational use of lands granted to Kentucky by U. S. for State parks.

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Suspensions: The House voted to suspend the rules and passed the following bills:

Migratory Bird Act: S. 1076, to amend the Migratory Bird Hunting Stamp Act of March 16, 1934, and to increase duck stamps from $1 to $2, with a committee amendment.

Fish restoration: H. R. 1746, to provide U. S. aid to States in fish restoration and management projects, with a committee amendment.

Philippines: H. R. 5535, to amend the Philippine Rehabilitation Act of 1946.

Inter-American affairs: S. 1250, in lieu of H. R. 5730, to extend the Institute of Inter-American Affairs.

Recreation: H. R. 4403, relative to cooperation with Federal, State, and local agencies of the recreational uses of lands and waters, with committee amendments.

Reclamation: H. R. 3788, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to construct, operate, and maintain the Vermejo reclamation project, New Mexico.

Irrigation: H. R. 163, to authorize Sacramento Valley irrigation canals, as part of Central Valley project, California.

Chinese students: H. R. 5602, to authorize an allocation of $4,000,000 of China's ECA funds for relief of Chinese students now stranded in U. S.

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Veterans' Pensions: Considered, under suspension of rules, H. R. 5598, to increase veterans' pensions in service-connected disability cases, but postponed final action on the measure until tomorrow.

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Indian Liquor Laws: Voted, 168 to 131, not to suspend the rules and pass H. R. 3282, to repeal certain acts of Congress, known as Indian liquor laws, in certain parts of Minnesota and Wisconsin.

Pages 10514–10519

Experimental Submarines: Passed S. 1505, authorizing construction of experimental submarine vessels by removing the $30,000,000 limitation on cost of such vessels, thereby clearing the bill for the President.

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Assistant Disbursing Clerk: Adopted H. Res. 303, creating the position of assistant disbursing clerk, to be appointed by the Minority Leader, also providing a salary readjustment for the messenger at the Speaker's table.

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Committee Meetings

HOUSING

Committee on Banking and Currency: Continued hearings on H. R. 5631, the omnibus housing bill. William A. Beckman, chairman, subcommittee on mortgage financing and urban housing, committee on federal legislation, American Bankers Association, suggested certain amendments to the measure and spoke in opposition to direct Government loans. Harry C. Bates, chairman, AFL housing committee, testified in support of the entire bill, and particularly on title III, establishing a non-subsidized cooperative housing program for the so-called moderate-income families. Representative Holifield and Rex Whittemore, commander of the American Legion, department of California, both spoke in reference to the Servicemen's Readjustment Act, urging higher interest rates and removing restrictions on secondary markets for GI loans. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

BANKING AND INSURANCE BILLS

Committee on the District of Columbia: Ordered the following bills reported to the House:

S. 1918, to authorize D. C. contracting officers to make contracts in amounts not exceeding $5,000, with amendments;

H. R. 3571, to permit any bank or trust company in the District to establish common-trust funds;

H. R. 3991, to permit investment of funds of insurance companies organized in the District in obligations of International Bank for Reconstruction and Development;

H. R. 4059, to clarify exemption from taxation of certain property of the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution;

H. R. 4393, amending the Life Insurance Act of the District of Columbia; and

H. R. 4394, regulating the business of life insurance in the District.

UNION PRACTICES

Committee on Education and Labor: Jacobs subcommittee reopened public hearings on alleged undemocratic practices in unions. George L. Googe, vice president of the International Printing Pressmen's Union, and James S. Judge, president, Washington, D. C. Pressmen's Union, No. 1, testified relative to certain conditions in that organization. Lawrence A. Finlay, of East Liverpool, Ohio, testified in connection with the Potters' Union. Adjourned subject to the call of the Chair.

MILITARY AID TO EUROPE

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Heard Gen. George C. Marshall, former Secretary of State, speak in favor of H. R. 5748, to promote the foreign policy and provide for the defense and general welfare of the United States by furnishing military assistance to foreign nations. Committee will continue hearings on this legislation tomorrow morning.

MONOPOLY

Committee on the Judiciary: Leroy Lincoln, president, Metropolitan Life Insurance Co., New York City, testified today before the Special Subcommittee on Monopoly Power. Hearings will be continued on Wednesday.

FEDERAL PAY RAISE

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Jesse M. Donaldson, Postmaster General, testified today at the Murray subcommittee hearings on Federal and postal workers' pay increases. Also appearing before the group was Frederick J. Lawton, Assistant Director, Bureau of the Budget, accompanied by Joseph Winslow, adviser on personnel management. Hearings will be continued tomorrow morning.

POSTAL RATES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: The Miller subcommittee held an executive session on second- and third-class mail (H. R. 2945, to increase certain postal rates).

COLUMBIA VALLEY ADMINISTRATION

Committee on Public Works: Gordon Gray, Secretary of the Army, today endorsed the proposed legislation at the committee's hearings on H. R. 4286, to establish a Columbia Valley Administration. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

COTTON QUOTAS—BANKING—HOUSE RULES—PUBLIC WORKS—STRATEGIC MINERALS—LOBBYING

Committee on Rules: Granted a rule providing for 1 hour's debate on H. R. 5738, amending the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938, providing for national marketing quotas and acreage allotments in cotton. Representatives Pace, Hill, and Poage urged the rule.

Also granted a rule providing 1 hour's debate on H. R. 1161, to provide for conversion of national banking associations into, and their merger or consolidation with, State banks. Representative Spence spoke in favor of this rule.

Ordered reported favorably to the House H. Res. 294, amending Rules of the House to provide that the Delegate from Alaska shall serve on the Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries. Delegate Bartlett of Alaska spoke on behalf of the resolution.

Considered, but took no action on, H. R. 5739, authorizing $100 million for advance planning of public works; H. R. 5725, to encourage the exploration for strategic and critical ores, metals, and minerals; and H. Res. 298, creating a Select Committee on Lobbying Activities. Representative Whittington testified in favor of the public-works advance-planning bill, and Representative Dondero against. On the strategic-mineral bill, Representatives Engle of California, Lemke, and Murdock were heard in favor of a rule. Representative Buchanan spoke on behalf of the lobbying-registration resolution.

Next meeting of the committee was fixed for Wednesday morning.

SOCIAL SECURITY

Committee on Ways and Means: Resumed executive discussions relative to revisions to the Social Security Act and will continue on this topic tomorrow morning.

Joint Committee Meetings

ATOMIC ENERGY

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Committee met in executive session with members of the AEC to discuss personnel security cases.

Résumé of Congressional Activity

FIRST SESSION OF EIGHTY-FIRST CONGRESS

The first table gives a comprehensive résumé of all legislative business transacted by the House and Senate during the session, January 3, 1949, through July 31, 1949.

The second table accounts for all nominations submitted to the Senate by the President for Senate confirmation.

DATA ON LEGISLATIVE ACTIVITY

January 3 through July 31, 1949

	Senate	*House*	*Total*
Days in session	129	121	..
Time in session	766 hrs., 48′	523 hrs., 19′	..
Congressional Record:			
Pages of proceedings	6,077	4,569	10,646
Appendix	..	..	5,121
Public bills enacted into law	82	110	192
Private bills enacted into law	54	125	179
Bills in conference	..	..	9
Bills through conference	..	..	31
Measures passed, total	659	1,016	..
Senate bills	251	140	..
House bills	259	638	..
Senate joint resolutions	18	11	..
House joint resolutions	26	35	..
Senate concurrent resolutions	26	16	..
House concurrent resolutions	11	14	..
Simple resolutions	68	162	230
Measures reported, total	*900	*1,089	..
Senate bills	374	122	..
House bills	359	775	..
Senate joint resolutions	25	6	..
House joint resolutions	28	39	..
Senate concurrent resolutions	30	13	..
House concurrent resolutions	12	10	..
Simple resolutions	72	124	196
Special reports	17	19	..
Conference reports	..	34	..
Reported measures not acted on	**214	**128	..
Measures introduced, total	2,678	6,562	9,240
Bills	2,352	5,816	8,168
Joint resolutions	122	330	452
Concurrent resolutions	57	114	171
Simple resolutions	147	302	449
Quorum calls	277	68	345
Yea-and-nay votes	142	78	220
Bills vetoed	..	..	10

*These figures on measures reported include all placed on calendar or acted on by Senate even if there was no accompanying report. A total of 811 reports has been filed in the Senate; a total of 1,142 has been filed in the House.

**This figure does not agree with the total difference between bills reported and bills passed, because resolutions and bills placed on the House Calendar without having been formally reported were not included in figures of measures reported to the House; the difference in the case of Senate figures is due to uncounted bills "laid on the table" or "indefinitely postponed."

DISPOSITION OF EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS RECEIVED FROM JANUARY 3–JULY 31, 1949

Postmaster nominations, totaling 2,423, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	2,014
Withdrawn	25
Rejected	None
Unconfirmed	384
Army nominations, totaling 16,554, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	16,295
Withdrawn	None
Rejected	None
Unconfirmed	259
Air Force nominations, totaling 13,046, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	12,662
Withdrawn	None
Rejected	None
Unconfirmed	384
Navy nominations, totaling 14,892, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	14,738
Withdrawn	None
Rejected	None
Unconfirmed	154
Marine Corps nominations, totaling 2,030, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	977
Withdrawn	None
Rejected	None
Unconfirmed	1,053
Civilian nominations other than postmasters, totaling 2,050, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	2,013
Withdrawn	7
Rejected	None
Unconfirmed	30

Summary

Total nominations received	50,995
Total rejected	None
Total withdrawn	32
Total unconfirmed	2,264
Total confirmed	48,699

TABLE OF APPROPRIATION BILLS, EIGHTY-FIRST CONGRESS, FIRST SESSION

Bill No.	Title	Budget estimates[1]	House			Senate				Public law		
			Date reported	Amount reported	Date passed	Date reported	Amount reported	Date passed	Amount passed	Amount as passed	Date approved	Law No.
H. J. Res. 112	Disaster Relief	$1,000,000	Jan. 27	$500,000	Jan. 27	Jan. 27	$500,000	Jan. 27	$500,000	$500,000	Jan. 28	3
H. J. Res. 136	Disaster Relief	500,000	Feb. 3	500,000	Feb. 3	Feb. 3	500,000	Feb. 3	500,000	500,000	Feb. 7	5
H. R. 2632	First Deficiency, 1949	564,183,148	Feb. 14	466,882,177	Feb. 16	Mar. 22	538,493,473	Apr. 13	542,303,473	524,649,473	May 24	71
H. R. 3082	District of Columbia, 1950	103,578,727	Mar. 1	98,923,621	Mar. 2	June 17	103,132,153	June 21	103,142,153	102,754,447	June 29	145
H. R. 3085	Treasury-Post Office, 1950	3,176,266,750	Mar. 1	3,072,817,903	Mar. 3	Apr. 29	3,113,068,503	May 11	3,113,068,503	3,090,528,903	June 30	150
	Treasury	1,096,594,450		1,027,608,403			1,045,184,403		1,045,184,403	1,036,318,403		
	Post Office	2,079,672,300		2,045,209,500			2,067,884,100		2,067,884,100	2,054,210,500		
H. R. 3333	Labor-Federal Security, 1950	2,234,389,285	Mar. 8	2,211,794,085	Mar. 9	Apr. 14	2,396,337,265	May 17	2,409,827,265	2,387,799,885	June 29	141
	Labor	16,766,200		16,550,000			16,766,200		16,766,200	16,766,200		
	FSA	1,500,405,585		1,478,426,585			1,495,901,565		1,509,391,565	1,487,364,185		
	Related agencies	716,817,500		716,817,500			883,669,500		883,669,500	883,669,500		
H. R. 3734	Civil Functions, Army, 1950	772,458,220	Mar. 23	586,762,000	Mar. 29	May 10	751,440,690	May 20	751,440,690	.....	.....	.....
H. R. 3838	Interior, 1950	624,810,436	Mar. 28	536,211,908	Mar. 30	July 15	590,695,911	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
H. R. 3997	Agriculture, 1950	727,906,908	Apr. 4	701,122,079	Apr. 5	May 10	723,083,249	May 19	723,083,249	715,601,607	June 29	146
H. R. 4016	State, Justice, Commerce, 1950	740,362,956	Apr. 5	684,616,102	Apr. 7	June 1	671,782,281	June 7	671,782,281	677,972,102	July 20	179
	State	285,311,756		271,405,656			260,172,456		260,172,456	265,305,656		
	Justice	132,366,500		132,579,141			130,971,000		130,971,000	132,685,141		
	Commerce	301,144,500		258,927,605			259,904,105		259,904,105	[6] 259,269,105		
	Judiciary	21,234,200		20,703,700			20,734,720		20,734,720	20,734,200		
H. R. 4046	Second Deficiency, 1949	698,028,397	Apr. 6	671,047,172	Apr. 8	June 1	859,675,510	June 2	862,563,510	854,838,710	June 23	119
H. R. 4146	National Military, 1950	13,248,060,700	Apr. 9	13,272,815,800	Apr. 13	July 22	[2]13,165,803,089	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	Army	4,604,675,700		4,481,834,200			4,370,907,089		.....	.....	.....	.....
	Navy	4,403,751,000		4,375,327,600			4,338,079,000		.....	.....	.....	.....
	Air Force	4,033,887,000		4,222,954,000			4,000,887,000		.....	.....	.....	.....
	Other	206,447,000		192,700,000			205,930,000		.....	.....	.....	.....
H. R. 4177	Independent Offices, 1950	8,051,343,850	Apr. 11	7,104,571,603	Apr. 14	July 8	7,636,006,873	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
H. J. Res. 222	Veterans Readjustment Benefits	595,890,000	Apr. 12	595,890,000	Apr. 13	Apr. 13	595,890,000	Apr. 14	595,890,000	595,890,000	Apr. 15	43
H. R. 4830	Foreign Aid, 1950	6,332,544,000	May 23	5,542,470,000	May 26	July 30	6,399,282,000	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
H. R. 5060	Legislative, 1950	73,899,184	June 8	62,200,705	June 9	June 14	62,262,110	June 15	62,262,110	62,262,110	June 22	118
H. R. 5300	Third Deficiency, 1949	162,691,073	June 23	127,032,243	June 24	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
H. J. Res. 327	Insect Control	3,500,000	July 27	1,500,000	July 27	July 28	3,500,000	July 28	3,500,000	.....	.....	.....

[1] These estimates include any additional amounts which may have been submitted to the Senate after the bill was acted on by House Appropriations Committee.
[2] These figures include $433,968,611 to be rescinded as effected by sec. 702; the branches of the service and the amount to be rescinded from each is to be determined by the Secretary of Defense.

Tuesday, August 2, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed independent offices appropriations.

House passed veterans' pension measure and cleared military unification bill for the President.

Senate group reported medical education and employees compensation bills; Government pay bills acted on by subcommittee.

Agriculture, armed services, and Indian bills ordered reported to the House.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 10527–10533

Bills Introduced: Three bills and three resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2363 to S. 2365; S. Con. Res. 59 and 60; and S. Res. 148. Pages 10528–10530

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follow:

S. Res. 140, to investigate the field of labor-management relations (S. Rept. 827), referred to Committee on Rules and Administration;

H. R. 2869, to authorize appropriation in aid of a system of drainage and sanitation for the city of Polson, Mont. (S. Rept. 828);

H. R. 1516, automatic promotions for part-time employees in the custodial service of the Post Office Department (S. Rept. 829); and

H. R. 2944, to amend Civil Service Retirement Act of 1930 to provide survivorship benefits for widows or widowers of persons retiring under the act (S. Rept. 830). Page 10529

Bills Referred: Twenty-six House-passed bills were referred to appropriate committees. Page 10530

Herbert Hoover: Senate adopted S. Con. Res. 59, extending felicitations to former President Herbert Hoover on the occasion of his seventy-fifth birthday. Pages 10529–10530

Indian Lands: Senate concurred in House amendment to and cleared for the President S. 1323, to declare that the U. S. holds certain lands in trust for the Pueblo Indians and Canoncito Navajo group in New Mexico. Page 10533

Independent Offices Appropriations: By voice vote, Senate passed, with amendments, H. R. 4177, independent offices appropriations for 1950, after adopting some committee amendments by voice vote, and taking the following actions on committee amendments and floor amendents, today:

Adopted: By 51 yeas to 40 nays, committee amendment increasing funds for Civil Service Commission by $2.25 million, after adopting, by 46 yeas to 44 nays, Gillette motion to reconsider vote by which this committee amendment had previously been rejected; modified committee amendment increasing funds for VA by $40.4 million; two O'Mahoney amendments respecting ICC, earmarking $100,000 for valuations of pipe lines and earmarking $3,656,039 for Bureau of Motor Carriers; O'Mahoney amendment prohibiting any part of funds for AEC to be used for new construction projects when no estimate therefor in current budget, or when they would exceed budget estimates; O'Mahoney amendment prohibiting any part of contract authority for beginning new ship construction when no estimate therefor in current budget, or when it would exceed by 10 percent the budget estimates; O'Mahoney amendment prohibiting use of any funds for AEC fellowships to subversives; McMahon amendment transferring $2.7 million for AEC to Navy for construction of facilities to replace those at Arco, Idaho, authorized to be transferred to AEC; O'Mahoney amendment providing for $9.4 million in grants to Philippines for construction of hospitals and $3,285,000 for treatment of veterans; McGrath amendment respecting clerical personnel necessary to liquidate HOLC loans; Long amendment making available until December 31, 1949, funds for U. S. Maritime Commission to be used for new ship construction; and two Morse amendments respecting qualifications of certain personnel of Civil Service Commission.

Rejected: Committee amendment prohibiting use of national service life insurance funds for payment of dividends to policyholders whose premiums were paid by Federal Government; and Kilgore amendment prohibiting use of natural gas as fuel at AEC plant at Oak Ridge, Tenn.

Senate asked for a conference and appointed as conferees Senators O'Mahoney, Russell, McKellar, Thomas of Oklahoma, Ferguson, Bridges, and Cordon.

Pages 10533–10590

Confirmations: Three civilian nominations were confirmed, including that of Knox T. Hutchinson, of Tennessee, to be Assistant Secretary of Agriculture.

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Nominations: Six nominations were received, including four in the Navy, along with that of Tom C. Clark to be Associate Justice of the Supreme Court, and J. Howard McGrath to be Attorney General.

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Committee Meetings

FARM PROGRAM

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Subcommittee met in executive session to discuss various proposals of price-support program for farm commodities, but took no final action. Subcommittee plans another meeting within the next few days.

FOREIGN MILITARY AID

Committees on Armed Services and Foreign Relations: Committees met jointly in executive session with Secretary of State Acheson and Secretary of Defense Johnson to consider proposed legislation on military aid to foreign nations. It was announced that the committees were endeavoring to get as large agreement as possible among the two committee memberships on proposed military aid to foreign nations. The committees will meet again in executive session Friday.

COAL INDUSTRY AND LABOR NEGOTIATIONS

Committee on Banking and Currency: Committee heard the following witnesses discuss the inordinate economic power of labor organizations and suggest curtailment of this power through amendments to the anti-trust laws, in connection with its hearings on the effect of the proposed coal "czar" appointment and the 3-day workweek in the coal mines on independent coal producers and consumer prices: Theodore R. Iserman, New York attorney, and George B. Christensen, Chicago attorney.

RFC

Committee on Banking and Currency: James L. Dougherty, general counsel of the RFC, appeared before the subcommittee to testify in support of S. 2344, to amend the RFC Act to remove statutory time limits for repayment of loans and to increase to $5 billion the amount of loan funds available. Hearings continue tomorrow.

COTTON LABELING

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee heard the following witnesses testify in opposition to S. 124, to require identification of cotton products: Dr. Claudius T. Murchison, president, Cotton Textile Institute, New York; James L. Rankin, representing the American Cotton Manufacturers Association; Roy A. Cheney, president, Underwear Institute, New York; Jules Goldstein, Boys' Apparel and Accessories Manufacturers' Association; M. J. Lovell, National Association of Shirt and Pajama Manufacturers; J. J. Gibson, Johnson & Johnson; W. Ray Bell, Association of Cotton Textile Merchants, New York; W. P. Fichett, Textile Fabrics Association, New York; and J. Lawrence Pond, Seamless Rubber Co., New Haven, Conn. Hearings continue tomorrow.

MERCHANT MARINE

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee, in executive session, held a general discussion of merchant-marine problems.

MEDICAL EDUCATION AND EMPLOYEES COMPENSATION

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Committee voted to report with amendments S. 1453, to provide grants and scholarships for education in medical professions, and H. R. 3191, to amend Federal Employees Compensation Act by extending coverage to civilian officers of the U. S. and by making benefits more realistic in terms of present wage rates.

It also reported favorably routine nominations in the Public Health Service.

GOVERNMENT PAY BILLS

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: In executive session, the subcommittee agreed to report to the full committee, with amendment in the nature of a substitute, S. 1762, to establish standard schedule of rates of basic compensation for certain employees of the Federal Government, to fix an equitable system for adjusting the rates of basic compensation of individual employees, and repeal the Classification Act of 1923. As approved by the subcommittee, the bill was completely rewritten but retains the same objectives embodied in the original introduced copy.

It also voted to report with amendments H. R. 1689, to increase rates of compensation of the heads and assistant heads of executive departments and independent agencies. The amendments would exclude all positions under the classified service which had been included in the bill. Full committee meets tomorrow.

RELIGIOUS MEMORIAL

Committee on Rules and Administration: Subcommittee heard the following witnesses testify in support of S. J. Res. 43, to establish a commission to select site and design for memorial to contributions of members of all religious faiths to American military and naval history: Senators Lucas and Douglas; Representative Mitchell; Barnet Hodes and Paul C. Clovis, cochairmen of the National All Faith Memorial Committee; Victor Rubin, Council for the Protection of American Heritage; and C. A. Bethge, a private citizen. Subcommittee adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Five public bills, H. R. 5852–5856; five private bills, H. R. 5857–5861; and seven resolutions, H. J. Res. 331 and 332, H. Con. Res. 117 and 118, and H. Res. 307–309, were introduced. Pages 10647–10648

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. R. 5831, to exempt certain volatile fruit-flavor concentrates from the tax on liquors (H. Rept. 1159);

H. R. 210, to authorize the conveyance of a portion of Fort Schuyler military reservation to the State of New York for use as a maritime school, amended (H. Rept. 1160);

H. R. 4315, to authorize the Secretary of the Army to proceed with construction at stations of the Alaska communications system, amended (H. Rept. 1161);

H. R. 5342, to authorize the Secretary of Defense to lend certain military equipment to the Boy Scouts of America for use at Second National Jamboree of the Boy Scouts (H. Rept. 1162);

H. R. 5368, to authorize the Departments of the Army, Navy, and Air Force to participate in the transfer of certain real property, amended (H. Rept. 1163);

H. J. Res. 230, authorizing construction and presentation of hospital to people of St. Lawrence, Newfoundland, in recognition of heroic services to the personnel of U. S. Navy (H. Rept. 1164); and

H. R. 4453, to prohibit discrimination in employment because of race, color, religion, or national origin, amended (H. Rept. 1165). Page 10647

Veterans' Pensions: Voted, 354 yeas to no nays, to suspend the rules and pass H. R. 5598, to increase compensation for World War I presumptive service-connected cases, provide minimum ratings for service-connected arrested tuberculosis, increase certain disability and death compensation rates, lberalize requirement for dependency allowances, and redefine the terms "line of duty" and "willful misconduct." Pages 10591–10592

Military Reorganization: Adopted, 356 yeas to 7 nays, the conference report on H. R. 5632, the military reorganization and unification bill, thus clearing the measure for the President. Pages 10592–10611

Private Calendar: On the call of the Private Calendar the following bills were passed:

Cleared for the President: S. 111, 317, and 905.

Sent to the Senate without amendment: H. R. 584, 1800, 2921, 3536, 4042, 4411, 5019, 5148, and 5276.

Sent to the Senate, amended: H. R. 219, 322, 695, 733, 1020, 1097, 1871, 2365, 2457, 3252, 4040, 4414, 4564, and 5525. Pages 10618–10622

Fruit-Flavor Concentrates: Passed H. R. 5831, to exempt certain volatile fruit-flavor concentrates from the tax on liquors. This bill exempts the manufacturer of volatile fruit-flavor concentrates from the $9-per-gallon tax on distilled spirits. Page 10611

House Rules Change: Adopted H. Res. 294, to amend the Rules of the House of Representatives to provide that the Delegate from Alaska shall serve on the Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries. Page 10618

Tung Nuts and Honey: After rejecting a recommittal motion, the House by voice vote passed H. R. 29, to amend the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938 to provide parity for tung nuts. A point of order was sustained against the committee amendment to substitute new language to also provide parity for honey, thus restoring the original language of the bill as introduced. Then an amendment was adopted providing parity for honey. The title of the bill was also amended.

H. Res. 289, the rule for consideration of H. R. 29, was previously adopted. Pages 10622–10628, 10630–10642

Herbert Hoover: Adopted S. Con. Res. 59, extending felicitations to former President Herbert Hoover on the occasion of his seventy-fifth birthday. Page 10628

Committee Meetings

AGRICULTURAL BILLS

Committee on Agriculture: Ordered the following bills reported to the House:

H. R. 829, authorizing the Secretary of Agriculture to accept buildings constructed by the Buffalo Rapids Farms Association, Montana, and canceling certain indebtedness of the association;

H. R. 2015, conveyance and exchange of certain lands in Minnesota;

H. R. 2968, to facilitate and simplify the work of the Forest Service;

H. R. 4090, to extend to Puerto Rico same benefits which the States and Hawaii are at present receiving for further development of cooperative agricultural extension work;

H. R. 5511, to amend the provisions of the Perishable Agricultural Commodities Act, 1930, relating to practices in the marketing of perishable agricultural commodities; and

H. R. 5601, exchange of lands in Michigan.

MILITARY-NAVAL BILLS

Committee on Armed Services: Ordered the following bills reported to the House:

H. R. 210, to authorize conveyance of part of U. S. military reservation at Fort Schuyler, N. Y., to State of New York for use as a maritime school;

H. R. 3864, a private bill;

H. R. 4315, construction work at stations of the Alaska Communications System;

H. R. 5342, authorizing the lending of certain armed services equipment for use at the national jamboree of the Boy Scouts;

H. R. 5368, authorizing the Army, Navy, and Air Force to participate in the transfer of certain real property;

H. J. Res. 230, authorizing the construction and presentation to the people of St. Lawrence, Newfoundland, of a hospital or dispensary for their heroic services to the U. S. Navy; and

H. J. Res. 281, a private resolution.

HOUSING

Committee on Banking and Currency: At today's hearings on H. R. 5631, omnibus housing bill of 1949, Abner Ferguson, U. S. Savings and Loan League, testified in favor of continuation of the FHA mortgage-insurance program, but testified against direct loans by the Federal Government to individuals or cooperatives. He urged sale of Lanham Act housing as provided in the present law and opposed transfer to local housing authorities without compensation for operation as low-cost housing projects. Norman Mason and L. F. Broderson testified in behalf of the National Retail Lumber Dealers Association. Mr. Mason said many of the provisions of the bill tend to extend the idea of class legislation of which he disapproved. Mr. Broderson urged that title I amendments be liberalized sufficiently to take care of reasonably priced home construction in the smaller communities. A statement was filed by W. A. Clark, representing the Mortgage Bankers Association. Hearings will be continued tomorrow morning.

AID TO EDUCATION

Committee on Education and Labor: Met in executive session to receive the report of the Barden subcommittee on Federal aid to education, taking no action thereon.

BUREAU OF EMPLOYMENT SECURITY

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Opened hearings on H. Res. 301, disapproving of Reorganization Plan No. 2, transferring the Bureau of Employment Security, now in the Federal Security Agency, to the Department of Labor. Secretary of Labor Maurice J. Tobin testified in favor of the transfer, and Representative Hoffman of Michigan, author of the resolution under consideration, and Emerson P. Schmidt, U. S. Chamber of Commerce, were opposed. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

MILITARY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Continued hearings on H. R. 5748, to promote the foreign policy and provide for the defense and general welfare of the United States by furnishing military assistance to foreign nations. At today's meeting, committee heard W. Averell Harriman, U. S. special representative to Europe, ECA, and Henry S. Grady, U. S. Ambassador to Greece, speak in favor of the legislation. Will continue discussions on this measure tomorrow.

HEALTH UNITS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee on Public Health, Science, and Commerce considered H. R. 267 and 785, local public-health units, in executive session. Will continue on this subject at tomorrow's meeting in addition to consideration of hospital-construction legislation.

JUDGMENTS—PRIVATE BILLS

Committee on the Judiciary: Ordered the following bills reported to the House:

H. R. 5770, to provide a statute of limitations with respect to the collection of certain judgments;

One private patent bill (H. R. 5319); and

Ten private claims bills of the House and one of the Senate.

FEDERAL PAY RAISE

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: The Murray subcommittee heard the following witnesses at today's hearings on proposed pay raises for Federal and postal workers: James C. Yaden, president, American Federation of Government Employees; Gertrude McNally, secretary-treasurer, National Federation of Federal Employees; and Ismar Baruch, Chief of Personnel Classification Division, Civil Service Commission. Mr. Baruch will resume his testimony at tomorrow's hearing.

POSTAL RATES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: The Miller subcommittee held executive consideration of second- and third-class mail rates, and the Herlong subcommittee considered first- and fourth-class rates and special services, planning further study of these rates at a meeting tomorrow morning.

INDIAN BILLS

Committee on Public Lands: Ordered the following bills reported favorably to the House:

H. R. 2736, to subject Indians and Indian reservation in Wisconsin to laws of State, with amendment;

H. R. 4069, to reserve certain land in Nevada for Summit Lake Reservation;

H. R. 4231, to reserve certain land in Utah for Goshute Indian Reservation;

H. R. 4509, relative to timber on the Flathead Indian Reservation;

H. R. 4942, collection and disbursement of moneys realized from leases made by Seneca Nation, New York, with amendment;

H. R. 5097, administration of Indian livestock loans;

H. R. 5098, leasing of restricted Indian lands, with amendments;

H. R. 5390, to exchange certain Navajo land for Utah State land, with amendment;

H. R. 5556, relative to Indian use of certain property at Wingate Ordnance Depot, N. Mex.;

H. R. 5670, transfer of land to county of Bernalillo, N. Mex., for hospital site;

S. 520, patent in fee to Leo Farwell Glenn, with amendment; and

S. 1361, patent in fee to John Grayeagle, with amendment.

COLUMBIA VALLEY ADMINISTRATION

Committee on Public Works: Secretary of Agriculture Brannan testified on behalf of H. R. 4286 and 4287, bills relating to the establishment of a Columbia Valley Administration. Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

VETERANS' TRAINING

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: resumed hearings on H. R. 3067 and 4898, relating to building-trades training under the GI bill of rights. William F. Patterson, Director of Apprenticeship Training, Department of Labor, testified today and is scheduled to continue his statement at tomorrow morning's hearing.

SOCIAL SECURITY

Committee on Ways and Means: Held further executive consideration of proposed revisions to the Social Security Act, and will continue on this subject tomorrow.

Joint Committee Meetings

ECONOMIC REPORTS

Joint Committee on the Economic Report: Committee met in executive session to consider general committee business and to review materials presented by its staff on studies of investment, unemployment, low-income families, and monetary and credit policies prepared in pursuance of S. Con. Res. 26, authorizing the Joint Committee on the Economic Report to investigate certain economic problems.

It was also announced that different subcommittees would meet in the next few days to consider individual studies.

ATOMIC ENERGY—SCHOOLS

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Subcommittee heard the following witnesses discuss proposed Federal aid to public schools in the school districts in vicinity of Richland, Wash.: H. L. Alves, Director, Division of School Administration, U. S. Office of Education; AEC Commissioners Gordon Dean and Henry DeWolf Smyth; Carleton Shugg, AEC Deputy General Manager; and Joseph Volpe, AEC Deputy General Counsel.

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HIGHLIGHTS

Senate worked on foreign-aid appropriations.

Bills on cotton-acreage allotments and bank transfers passed by House.

Senate committee voted to report Government pay and civil-service bills.

Bills amending the Natural Gas Act and transferring certain Presidential functions cleared for House debate by Rules Committee.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 10648–10689

Bills Introduced: Ten bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 2366 to S. 2375; and S. Res. 149. Page 10650

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. R. 5268, to amend certain provisions of the Internal Revenue Code including sections on farmers' return, foreign tax credit, charitable deductions by corporations, transfer of stocks between corporations and nominee, employee annuity contracts, and relinquishment of powers in case of reciprocal trusts, with amendments (S. Rept. 831);

S. 75, to authorize construction, operation, and maintenance of dams on the Colorado River at Bridge Canyon, together with certain appurtenant dams and canals (central Arizona project), with amendments (S. Rept. 832);

S. 806, authorizing the erection of a monument to Sacajawea, with amendment (S. Rept. 833); and

S. 1453, to provide grants and scholarships for education in medical professions, with amendment (S. Rept. 834). Page 10649

Bills Referred: Twenty-six House-passed bills were referred to appropriate committees. Page 10652

Bills Cleared for President: Senate concurred in House amendments to the following bills, thus clearing them for the President:

Migratory Bird Act: S. 1076, to amend Migratory Bird Hunting Stamp Act of March 16, 1934, and to increase price of duck stamps from $1 to $2; and

Vigo plant, Indiana: S. 1745, to transfer to the Attorney General land and portions of the Vigo ordnance plant building near Terre Haute, Ind., for use in connection with U. S. penitentiary located at that city. Page 10657

Election Resolution: Vote by which Senate adopted S. Res. 142, declaring Senator Kilgore as duly elected Senator from West Virginia, was reconsidered and the resolution was then adopted with a clerical amendment. Page 10652

Inter-American Affairs: Conference was asked by Senate on S. 1250, to continue the Institute of Inter-American Affairs, and the following conferees were appointed: Senators McMahon, Green, Fulbright, Wiley, and Lodge. Pages 10657–10658

Insect Control: Conference report on H. J. Res. 327, appropriating $1,750,000 for the Department of Agriculture for control of insects and plant diseases (grasshoppers), was adopted. Page 10689

Foreign-Aid Appropriations: Senate worked on H. R. 4830, foreign-aid appropriations for 1950, adopting committee amendments having the following effect: (1) Provide $344,000 for so-called congressional watch-dog committee; (2) eliminate language providing $125,000 for expenditures of confidential character during last quarter of fiscal 1949; and (3) increase funds for fiscal 1950 by $59,910,000.

Committee amendments to the following effect were rejected: (1) Eliminate language itemizing certain functions to be included in expenditures of funds by ECA during last quarter of fiscal 1949; (2) another to eliminate language itemizing such expenditures for fiscal 1950; and (3) a modified amendment to eliminate language providing funds for expenditures of confidential character during fiscal 1950.

Senator Lucas made point of order against committee amendment concerning use of surplus agricultural products on the grounds that it was legislation in an appropriation bill and worded so as to go into effect on the happening of a contingency. The Chair sustained the point of order and on appeal from decision of the Chair the Senate, by 52 yeas to 32 nays, sustained the Chair. Pages 10659–10689

Committee Meetings

RURAL TELEPHONES

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: The following witnesses appeared before the committee to testify in support of proposed legislation providing for rural telephones (H. R. 2960, S. 78, S. 121, and S. 1254): Clyde T. Ellis, National Rural Electric Cooperative Association; George D. Bigbee, Sr., owner of a commercial telephone system in McClellanville, S. C.; Claude A. Davis, president, Eureka Telephone Co., Inc., Corydon, Ind.; C. Jerome Davis, chairman, agricultural committee, Indiana State Grange, Ramsey, Ind.; James E. Cooper, manager, Harrison County Rural Electric Membership Cooperative, Corydon, Ind.; and C. Dee Early, Bemidji, Minn. Hearings continue tomorrow.

MILITARY AND NAVAL CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Armed Services: In executive session, the committee heard several representatives of the Military Establishment explain various provisions of S. 1875, military public-works bill, authorizing construction of military and naval installations, including military housing, family quarters, and public utilities, as well as special-weapons projects in and outside of continental U. S. Committee continues on this bill in executive session tomorrow.

HOUSING

Committee on Banking and Currency: Subcommittee, in executive session, agreed to report to the full committee the substance of S. 2246, proposing amendments to the National Housing Act affecting mortgage-insurance program administered by the FHA and the secondary market program of the Federal National Mortgage Association. Subcommittee will meet again tomorrow to approve certain perfecting amendments before making the report to the full committee.

RFC

Committee on Banking and Currency: Continuing hearings on S. 2344, to amend the RFC Act to remove statutory time limits for repayment of loans and to increase to $5 billion the amount of loan funds available, the subcommittee received testimony from Earle R. Muir, president, Louisville Trust Co., Louisville, Ky., and representing the American Banking Association, in opposition to the proposed legislation. James L. Dougherty, general counsel, RFC, who testified yesterday, appeared further to answer questions. Subcommittee adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

REORGANIZATION PLANS

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Senators Fulbright and Hunt appeared before the committee to testify in support of S. Res. 147, to disapprove Reorganization Plan No. 1, providing for a

Department of Welfare. Oscar Ewing, FSA Administrator, appeared in opposition to the resolution and in support of Reorganization Plan No. 1.

In executive session, following the hearing, the committee voted to report favorably to the Senate Reorganization Plans No. 3, regarding the Post Office Department; No. 4, transferring the National Security Council and the National Security Resources Board; No. 5, regarding U. S. Civil Service Commission; and No. 6, regarding the Maritime Commission. Committee plans to meet again tomorrow.

COTTON LABELING

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Continuing hearings on S. 124, to require identification of cotton products, the subcommittee heard further testimony in opposition to the bill from Lyle Holmes, Jr., president, Archibald Holmes & Sons, representing the Carpet Institute, Inc., New York, and Preston Burgin, American Retail Federation, Washington.

Henry Miller, Director, Bureau of Trade Practice Conferences and Wool Act Administration, FTC, testified in support of the bill. Subcommittee adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

BROKERAGE FEES

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee held hearings on S. 2190, to amend section 2 (c) of the Clayton Act regarding payment of commission or brokerage fees, with J. Frank Grimes, president, and Gerard M. Ungaro, vice president and general counsel, Independent Grocers Alliance, Chicago, testifying in support of the bill.

PRIVATE BILLS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee held hearings on four private bills.

GOVERNMENT PAY AND CIVIL-SERVICE BILLS

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: In executive session, the committee voted to report to the Senate, with amendments, H. R. 1689, to increase rates of compensation of heads and assistant heads of executive departments and independent agencies, and S. 1762, to establish standard schedule of rates of basic compensation for certain employees of the Federal Government, to fix an equitable system for adjusting the rates of basic compensation of individual employees, and repeal the Classification Act of 1923. As approved by the committee the amendments to H. R. 1689 would include additional heads and assistant heads of departments and independent agencies to the existing ones as well as exclude all positions under the classified service which had been included in the bill. In the case of S. 1762, the bill was completely rewritten as contrasted to its introduced form, but the same objectives embodied in the original bill were retained.

Committee also voted to report, with amendment, S. 1479, to abolish the village delivery service of the Post Office Department, and to transfer village carriers to the city delivery service;

And, without amendment, the following three bills: H. R. 2662, to allow employees (veterans) of the executive branch of the Government, without pay or leave deductions, to participate in funerals for deceased members of the armed forces returned to U. S. for burial; H. R. 3383, basing Federal employees' compensation for night work on either standard or daylight-saving time; and H. R. 3826, to amend the act of January 16, 1883, an Act To Regulate and Improve the Civil Service of the United States, relative to State quotas.

One hundred and ninety-six postmaster nominations were ordered reported favorably.

COLUMBIA RIVER VALLEY

Committee on Public Works: Committee heard Secretary of Army Gordon Gray, and H. B. McCoy, Department of Commerce, testify in support of S. 1645 and related bills, to establish a Columbia Valley Administration to aid in unifying water control, resource conservation, and development of the Columbia River, its tributaries, and surrounding lands. Hearings continue tomorrow.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Nine public bills, H. R. 5862–5870; one private bill, H. R. 5871; and five resolutions, H. J. Res. 333, H. Con. Res. 119, and H. Res. 310–312, were introduced. Pages 10732–10942

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. R. 1370, authorizing appointment of three additional judges of the D. C. municipal court, prescribing qualifications of appointees to the municipal court and municipal court of appeals (H. Rept. 1065, pt. 2, supplemental);

Conference report on H. J. Res. 327, making a supplemental appropriation for control of emergency outbreaks of insects and plant diseases (H. Rept. 1166);

H. R. 4394, to amend act of June 19, 1934, to provide modern standards for the writing of group life insurance in the District of Columbia (H. Rept. 1167);

S. 1918, to authorize D. C. Commissioners to appoint contracting officers to make contracts in amounts not exceeding $3,000 (H. Rept. 1168);

H. R. 3571, concerning common-trust funds in the District of Columbia and to make uniform the law with reference thereto, amended (H. Rept. 1169);

Seven private bills, H. R. 4059, S. 622, H. R. 1484, 3498, 4563, 5777, and H. J. Res. 281 (H. Repts. 1170–1176, respectively);

H. R. 4393, to amend the D. C. Life Insurance Act (H. Rept. 1177);

H. R. 2015, conveyance and exchange of certain lands in Minnesota (H. Rept. 1178);

H. R. 4090, to extend to Puerto Rico same benefits which the States and Hawaii are at present receiving for further development of cooperative agricultural extension work (H. Rept. 1179);

H. R. 5601, exchange of lands in Michigan (H. Rept. 1180);

H. R. 5679, authorizing the transfer of certain agricultural dry land and irrigation field stations to the States in which such stations are located (H. Rept. 1181);

H. Res. 310, rule providing for 3 hours' general debate on H. R. 1758, amending the Natural Gas Act relative to transportation of natural gas in interstate commerce (H. Rept. 1182);

H. Res. 311, rule providing for 1 hour's debate on H. R. 5526, authorizing the President to provide for the performance of certain executive functions by other officers of the Government (H. Rept. 1183);

H. Res. 312, rule providing for consideration of H. J. Res. 297, authorizing Federal participation in the International Exposition for the Bicentennial of the Founding of Port-au-Prince, Republic of Haiti (H. Rept. 1184); and

H. Res. 298, creating a Select Committee on Lobbying Activities (H. Rept. 1185). Page 10731

Independent Offices Appropriations: Disagreed to Senate amendments to H. R. 4177, independent offices appropriations for 1950, agreed to a conference requested by the Senate; and appointed Representatives Thomas of Texas, Gore, Andrews, Cannon, Case of South Dakota, and Phillips of California conferees on the part of the House. Page 10689

International Peace Garden: Disagreed to Senate amendments to H. R. 3751, to transfer a tower on the Lower Souris National Wildlife Refuge to the International Peace Garden, Inc., North Dakota; agreed to a conference requested by the Senate; and appointed Representatives Thompson, Hare, and Weichel conferees. Page 10690

Insects: Adopted conference report on H. J. Res. 327, making a supplemental appropriation for control of emergency outbreaks of insects and plant diseases. Pages 10690–10691

National Banks: Passed H. R. 1161, providing for the conversion, merger, or consolidation of national banks into State banks, after adopting a perfecting committee amendment. Rejected an amendment to provide that where National banks convert to State banks, their branches in operation at time of conversion may be continued if the Comptroller of Currency deems their funds adequate.

H. Res. 305, the rule for consideration of H. R. 1161, was previously adopted. Pages 10692–10704

Cotton Acreage Allotments: Passed, by voice vote H. R. 5738, to amend the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938, as amended, relative to cotton acreage allotments and marketing quotas. All proffered amendments were rejected. By unanimous consent, S. 1962, a Senate-passed bill on the same subject, was taken from the Speaker's table and amended to contain the text of H. R. 5738, following which the House passed S. 1962 and vacated the proceedings of the passage of the House bill, which was then tabled.

H. Res. 304, the rule for consideration of H. R. 5738, was previously adopted. Pages 10704–10729

Committee Meetings

NATIONAL FORESTS

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee No. 3 approved for reporting to the full committee H. R. 2419, relating to the disposition of moneys received from the national forests. Testifying on this bill were Representatives Tackett, author of the measure, Jackson of California, and Bosone. Other witnesses were E. W. Loveridge, Assistant Chief, U. S. Forest Service; Carl Shoemaker, representing the National Wildlife Federation; and Chet Olson, of the U. S. Forest Service in Ogden, Utah.

CLOTHING

Committee on Armed Services: Special Subcommittee on Clothing met in executive session. Adjourned subject to the call of the Chair.

HOUSING

Committee on Banking and Currency: At today's hearings on H. R. 5631, the 1949 omnibus housing bill, Robert M. Morgan, on behalf of National Association of Mutual Savings Banks, mentioned, as desirable features of the bill, continuation of title I, modernization, improvement, repair, and small-home loans; housing loans under section 608; and liberalization of section 203 of the National Housing Act. He vigorously opposed direct Government loans to individuals or cooperatives.

Oscar R. Kreutz, executive manager, National Savings and Loan League, stated the real-estate market has shown encouraging signs of becoming more stable. If, however, the Government enters into a program of direct lending he believes it will result in another upward spiral in building costs with dangerous effect upon the future economy.

Jerry Voorhis, executive secretary, Cooperative League of U. S. A., testified in favor of title III, providing for direct loans to nonprofit housing cooperatives.

Dr. John A. Hannah, president of Michigan State College and of the Association of Land-Grant Colleges and Universities, and Dr. Francis J. Brown, staff associate of the American Council on Education both testified in favor of title V of the bill, which provides for a $300 million revolving loan fund at 2½ percent interest for periods up to 40 years, available to colleges and universities for construction of student and faculty housing. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

MARITIME LABOR

Committee on Education and Labor: The Kelley subcommittee concluded hearings on H. R. 5008, to amend existing labor-management relations law to provide that it shall not be an unfair labor practice to incorporate in a collective-bargaining agreement any hiring or employment practice which prevailed in the maritime industry prior to June 15, 1947. Witnesses testifying on this bill were Francis S. Walker, representing the National Federation of American Shipping, American Merchant Institute, Pacific American Steamship Association, and Shipowners Association of the Pacific Coast; Lynn Mote, Washington representative of the Association of American Shipowners; Harry Lundeberg, president, Seafarers' International Union of North America, AFL; and Joseph Curran, president, National Maritime Union, CIO.

BUREAU OF EMPLOYMENT SECURITY

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Concluded hearings on H. Res. 301, disapproving of Reorganization Plan No. 2, transferring the Bureau of Employment Security, now in the Federal Security Agency, to the Department of Labor. Witnesses testifying in favor of the proposed transfer were Frederick J. Lawton, Assistant Director of the Bureau of the Budget; James Rowe, former member of the Hoover Commission; and Omar B. Ketchum, legislative representative of the VFW. Speaking in opposition to the transfer was B. A. Krawczyk, supervisor, compensation department, Allis-Chalmers Manufacturing Co., Milwaukee, Wis.

MILITARY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Met all day Wednesday in executive session with Dr. Lloyd Berkner, Maj. Gen. Lyman L. Lemnitzer, and Edward T. Dickinson, Jr., members of the Foreign Assistance Correlation Committee. Detailed information was given about the specific types of equipment which it is proposed be given to particular countries.

General Lemnitzer discussed the strategic concepts involved in the program and gave the committee certain intelligence information as background for consideration of the program. Dr. Berkner supplied information on the types of production that might be promoted by assistance to western Europe. Mr. Dickinson supplied the committee with answers to specific questions concerning the impact of the program on European recovery.

The committee questioned the witnesses at some length in order to elicit information needed in consideration of the draft legislation. The same subject will be taken up at tomorrow morning's meeting.

ELECTIONS—HATCH ACT

Committee on House Administration: The Subcommittee on Elections, meeting in executive session to discuss certain contested-election cases, voted to dismiss the cases before them at this time and to have the seated Members retain their membership in the House of Representatives.

Also held open hearings on amendments to the Hatch Act but took no action on this legislation.

HEALTH UNITS—HOSPITAL CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee on Public Health, Science, and Commerce approved for consideration by the entire committee clean bills on local public-health units and hospital survey and construction program.

MONOPOLY—CLAIMS

Committee on the Judiciary: Special Subcommittee on Monopoly Power resumed its hearings today and received testimony from Edward R. Johnston, an attorney of Chicago, Ill. Will continue on this topic Friday, August 5.

Subcommittee No. 3 approved five private claims bills (House) and three private claims bills (Senate).

LONG-RANGE SHIPPING

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Subcommittee on Maritime Affairs held executive session on long-range shipping bills and postponed further action on this subject until tomorrow morning.

FEDERAL PAY RAISE

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Ismar Baruch, Chief of Personnel Classification Division, Civil Service Commission, concluded his testimony before the Murray subcommittee hearings on proposed pay raises for Federal and postal workers. Also heard today was Stanley Oliver, president of the International Federation of Technical Engineers. Hearings will be continued Friday.

POSTAL RATES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: The Herlong subcommittee met in executive session for the study of first- and fourth-class mail and special services and will resume on the same subject August 9.

PARKER DAM

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation approved for reporting to the

full committee H. R. 4330, amended, school facilities at Parker Dam power project, California. T. R. Witmer, legal staff, Bureau of Reclamation, Department of the Interior, spoke on behalf of the bill and explained its provisions.

EXECUTIVE POWERS—NATURAL GAS—HAITI BICENTENNIAL—LOBBYING

Committee on Rules: Granted a rule providing for 1 hour's debate on H. R. 5526, authorizing the President to provide for the performance of certain executive functions by other officers of the Government. Representative Dawson urged favorable action on the rule, and Representative Hoffman of Michigan spoke in opposition to it.

Granted a rule providing for 3 hours' general debate on H. R. 1758, amending the Natural Gas Act relative to transportation of natural gas in interstate commerce. Representatives Harris, Keogh, and Hale favored the rule, and Representative Heselton also favored the rule but was opposed to the bill at the present time. Representatives Crosser and Yates spoke against the bill and the rule.

Also granted a rule providing for 1 hour's debate on H. J. Res. 297, authorizing Federal participation in the International Exposition for the Bicentennial of the Founding of Port-au-Prince, Republic of Haiti; and ordered reported to the House H. Res. 298, creating a Select Committee on Lobbying Activities. Representative Jackson of California spoke in behalf of the Haiti bicentennial resolution.

Also considered, but took no action on, H. R. 4424, settlement of Alaska by war veterans; H. R. 5739, public-works advance-planning bill; H. R. 2392, rural rehabilitation trust fund; H. R. 4846, National Science Foundation Act of 1949; H. R. 2988, Resident Commissioner for the Virgin Islands; H. R. 5330, aid to the Republic of Korea; and H. R. 5822 and H. Res. 309, measures amending Rules of the House regarding the presence of a quorum in meetings of congressional committees. Representatives Celler and Hobbs requested favorable action on the last-mentioned bill and resolution, and Representatives Peterson and Lemke requested favorable action on the public-works advance-planning legislation.

Committee will meet again tomorrow morning.

VETERANS' TRAINING

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: William F. Patterson, Director of Apprenticeship Training, Department of Labor, concluded his statement on H. R. 3067 and 4898, relating to building-trades training under the GI bill of rights. Hearings will be continued tomorrow with representatives of the American Legion testifying.

SOCIAL SECURITY

Committee on Ways and Means: Met in executive session on the proposed revisions to the Social Security Act. Will continue on this subject tomorrow morning.

Joint Committee Meetings

INSECT CONTROL

Conferees on H. J. Res. 327, appropriating money for the Department of Agriculture for control of insects and plant diseases, particularly grasshoppers, reached an agreement to file a conference report over the differences between the House- and Senate-passed figures, the House having approved $1½ million and the Senate $3½ million. As approved by the conferees, the bill would appropriate $1,750,000.

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HIGHLIGHTS

Senate continued work on foreign-aid appropriations.

House debated natural-gas bill.

Senate groups acted on housing and farm-program bills, approved resolution disapproving Reorganization Plan No. 1, and agreed to postpone action on Draft Act.

Resolution of disapproval to President's Reorganization Plan No. 2 rejected by House committee.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 10733–10742

Bills Introduced: Twelve bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2376 to S. 2387; S. Con. Res. 61; and S. Res. 150. **Pages 10736–10737**

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 2380, to revise the law with relation to the Army Dental Corps (S. Rept. 835);

H. R. 3191, to amend Federal Employees Compensation Act by extending coverage to civilian officers of the U. S. and by making benefits more realistic in terms of present wage rates, with amendments (S. Rept. 836); and

Four reorganization plans, as follows:

Plan 3, regarding the Post Office Department (S. Rept. 837);

Plan 4, transferring the National Security Council and the National Security Resources Board (S. Rept. 838);

Plan 5, regarding U. S. Civil Service Commission (S. Rept. 839); and

Plan 6, regarding the Maritime Commission (S. Rept. 840). **Page 10736**

Bill Referred: One House-passed bill was referred to appropriate committee. **Page 10737**

Economic Report: The views of Senator O'Mahoney, on behalf of the Joint Committee on the Economic Report, on S. 2085, to amend the Employment Act of 1946 with respect to the Joint Committee on the Economic Report, were ordered printed as S. Doc. 103. **Page 10738**

Bill Indefinitely Postponed: H. R. 4007, authorizing construction of experimental submarines, was indefinitely postponed, S. 1505, a similar bill, having already been passed by House and Senate. **Page 10738**

Cotton Quotas: Senate asked for a conference on S. 1962, to amend the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938 with respect to cotton marketing quota provisions, and appointed as conferees Senators Thomas of Oklahoma, Ellender, Hoey, Anderson, Aiken, Young, and Thye. **Pages 10733–10735**

Indian Lands: Senate adopted S. Con. Res. 61, making clerical correction in S. 1323, to declare that the U. S. holds certain lands in trust for the Pueblo Indians and Canoncito Navajo group in New Mexico. **Page 10737**

Foreign-Aid Appropriations: Senate continued consideration of H. R. 4830, foreign-aid appropriations for 1950, taking the following action on committee amendments:

Adopted: Amendment eliminating language authorizing obligation and expenditure of entire appropriation during period ending May 15, 1950.

Senator Lucas made point of order against amendment reserving $[illegible]0,000,000 for aid to Spain on the ground that it was legislation in an appropriation bill. The Chair sustained the point of order and on appeal the Senate, by 55 yeas to 36 nays, sustained the decision of the Chair.

Senator Lucas also made a point of order against amendment to prevent use by participating country of local counterpart funds in cases where that country has failed to comply with treaties with U. S. This point of order, made on grounds that language was legislation in an appropriation bill and worded so as to go into effect on the happening of a contingency, was sustained by the Chair and on an appeal the decision was overruled by 44 nays to 42 yeas, on a vote to sustain. **Pages 10742–10768**

Nominations: A total of 466 nominations were received, including 32 civilians in Public Health Service, and 434 Navy. **Pages 10769–10770**

Confirmations: Eight nominations in the Public Health Service were confirmed, along with one hundred and ninety-three postmasters. **Pages 10770–10771**

Committee Meetings

FARM PROGRAM

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Subcommittee on General Farm Legislation met in executive session and unanimously agreed on the general provisions of a bill embodying amendments to the existing long-range farm program, which it ordered reported to the full committee.

RURAL TELEPHONES

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: The following witnesses appeared before the committee to testify in support of proposed legislation providing for rural telephones (H. R. 2960, S. 78, S. 121, and S. 1254): C. E. Baggott, Fort Green, Fla., and representing two local electric cooperatives; Robert A. Dowling, Patterson Telephone Co., Rotterdam Junction, N. Y.; V. A. Rogers, Lamar County Electric Cooperative, Paris, Tex.; Dr. Thomas A. Wheat, Cities Telephone Co., Inc., Lewisburg, Tenn.; Andrew Chitwood, director, New Mexico Farm and Livestock Bureau; Arthur O. Mockrud, Wisconsin State representative, and speaking in behalf of four rural telephone companies; Dean Searls, Adams Electrical Cooperative, Camp Point, Ill.; W. G. Newton, South Plains Electric Cooperative, Inc., Lubbock, Tex.; Alfred Scarborough, South Carolina State Grange; Robert W. Reider, Ohio State representative and a weekly newspaper publisher; W. C. Tegtmeier, Suburban Telephone Co., Dunlap, Ill.; Alston D. Mugnier, Granby Telephone Co., Granby, Mass.; Wayne L. Laning. Hazel Dell Telephone Co., Mount Sterling, Ill.; Cecil I. Neely and J. A. Massey, Northfork Electric Cooperative, Sayre, Okla.; and Theodore F. Cnagelosi, Louisiana Electric Cooperative Association, Baton Rouge, La. Hearings continue tomorrow.

MIDWEST INDUSTRIAL ALCOHOL PLANTS

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Subcommittee met to study the legal status and responsibility for maintenance of three Government industrial-alcohol plants located Omaha, Nebr., Muscatine, Iowa, and Kansas City Mo., with the following persons testifying: Maj. Gen. S. P. Spaulding, Munitions Board; John I.

Thompson, Ralph Kovel, and Elmer Mostow, all of the Department of Agriculture; and Maxwell Elliott, General Services Administration. Subcommittee meets again August 9.

MILITARY MANPOWER—DRAFT ACT

Committee on Armed Services: Committee met in executive session with Secretary of Army Gordon Gray and Gen. J. Lawton Collins to discuss the manpower situation in the Military Establishment. In view of the fact that the present Draft Act expires June 25, 1950, the committee considered the question if any action should be taken at this time on the act, but it was agreed that the problem was not immediate and that any action should be postponed until the beginning of the next session.

The committee voted to introduce and report a new bill (S. 2380) in lieu of S. 1205, to revise the law with relation to the Army Dental Corps.

HOUSING

Committee on Banking and Currency: Subcommittee continued in executive session on S. 2246, proposing amendments to the National Housing Act affecting mortgage-insurance program administered by the FHA and the secondary market program of the Federal National Mortgage Association, adopting various perfecting amendments, but left certain portions of the bill to be decided upon by the full committee. In accordance with their decision of yesterday, the bill will be reported back to the full committee tomorrow, at which time the full committee will consider it further.

REORGANIZATION PLANS 1 AND 2

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: By vote of 7 to 4, the committee, in executive session, voted to report favorably to the Senate S. Res. 147, to disapprove Reorganization Plan No. 1, providing for a Department of Welfare.

The committee also authorized the chairman to introduce a resolution on the disapproval of Plan No. 2, to transfer the Bureau of Employment Security from the FSA to the Department of Labor, etc.

COPPER TARIFF

Committee on Finance: Committee heard Senators McFarland and Hayden; Representative Wood; and William W. Lynch and Sam H. Morris, Arizona Copper Tariff Board, testify in support of the repeal of the law suspending the import duty on copper, Simon Strauss, American Smelting & Refining Co., and Norman Hickman, American Metals Co., Ltd., appeared in opposition to such repeal. Hearings continue tomorrow.

FUR LABELING

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee heard the following witnesses testify in support of the enactment of H. R. 5187, to protect consumers and others against misbranding, false advertising, and false invoicing of fur products: Representative O'Hara; R. G. Stephenson, Harold Reed, and Roy D. Harman, all of the National Board of Fur Farm Organizations; and Henry Miller, Director, Bureau of Trade Practice Conferences and Wool Act Administration, FTC.

ANTITRUST—TREBLE-DAMAGE ACTIONS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee held hearings on S. 1910, to amend the Sherman and Clayton Acts to provide a uniform period of limitations within which treble-damage actions may be instituted under the antitrust laws, with John W. Burns and Henry G. Walter, Jr., both of American Potash & Chemical Corp.; and Lewis Phillips, of Phillips, Nizer, Benjamin, & Krim law firm of New York, appearing in opposition to the bill.

G. B. Burnham, president, Burnham Chemical Co., testified in support of the bill.

IMMIGRANT INSPECTORS, AND OVERTIME COMPENSATION VS. U. S.

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee held hearings on two bills:

In the case of S. 89, suits by certain immigrant inspectors and employees for extra pay for Sunday and holiday services, Robert Drysdale, attorney of Detroit, appeared in support of the bill, and M. E. Wertz and W. W. Prescott, both of the GAO, appeared in opposition to the bill.

In the case of S. 1981, claims for basic and overtime compensation against U. S., William J. Houston, American Federation of Government Employees, and Ray Murdock, attorney of Washington, D. C., appeared in support of the bill, and M. E. Wertz and W. W. Prescott, both of GAO, appeared in opposition to it.

COLUMBIA RIVER VALLEY

Committee on Public Works: Secretary of Agriculture Brannan appeared before the committee to testify in support of S. 1645 and related bills to establish a Columbia Valley Administration to aid in unifying water control, resource conservation, and development of the Columbia River, its tributaries, and surrounding lands. Committee adjourned subject to the call of the Chair.

In executive session, committee voted to report with amendment S. 384, a private bill.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Sixteen public bills, H. R. 5872–5887; six private bills, H. R. 5888–5893; and six resolutions, H. J. Res. 334 and 335, and H. Res. 313–316, were introduced. Pages 10802–10803

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. R. 799, to authorize the construction, operation, and maintenance of the Weber Basin reclamation project, Utah, amended (H. Rept. 1186);

H. R. 829, to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to accept buildings and improvements constructed by the Buffalo Rapids Farms Association on project lands in the Buffalo Rapids water conservation and utilization project and cancelling certain indebtedness of the association (H. Rept. 1187);

H. R. 5556, to make available for Indian use certain surplus property at the Wingate Ordnance Depot, N. Mex. (H. Rept. 1188);

H. R. 5839, to facilitate and simplify the work of the Forest Service (H. Rept. 1189);

H. R. 3864, a private bill (H. Rept. 1190);

H. R. 2734, to amend an act entitled "An Act To Supplement Existing Laws Against Unlawful Restraints and Monopolies," approved October 15, 1914 (38 Stat. 730), amended (H. Rept. 1191);

H. R. 10, which relates to the detention of deportable aliens, amended (H. Rept. 1192); and

Conference report on H. R. 3751, to transfer a tower located on the Lower Souris National Wildlife Refuge to the International Peace Garden, Inc., North Dakota (H. Rept. 1193). Pages 10802–10803

Reclamation: Passed H. R. 2733, to authorize the construction, operation, and maintenance by the Secretary of the Interior of the Canadian River reclamation project in the Texas Panhandle, after adopting committee amendments. Pages 10771–10773

Paleontological Investigations: Agreed to Senate amendment to H. R. 2290, to provide for cooperation by Smithsonian Institution with State, educational, and scientific organizations for continuing paleontological investigations in areas which will be flooded by construction of Government dams, thus clearing the measure for Presidential action. Page 10773

Inter-American Affairs: Insisted on its amendment to S. 1250, to extend the Institute of Inter-American Affairs; agreed to a conference requested by the Senate; and appointed Representatives Kee, Richards, Mansfield, Chiperfield, and Jackson of California conferees on the part of the House. Pages 10783–10784

Natural Gas: By a vote of 231 yeas to 113 nays the House adopted H. Res. 310, providing for consideration of, and 3 hours of debate on, H. R. 1758, to amend the Natural Gas Act approved June 21, 1938. After spending some time in debate the House postponed further action on the bill until tomorrow. Pages 10777–10795

Indian Lands: Adopted S. Con. Res. 61, making clerical correction in S. 1323, to declare that the U. S. holds certain lands in trust for the Pueblo Indians and Canoncito Navajo group in New Mexico. Page 10795

Desert Laboratory: Agreed to Senate amendment to H. R. 3982, to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to sell certain lands to Sisters of St. Joseph in Arizona, Inc., to consolidate the desert laboratory experimental area of Southwestern Forest and Range Experiment Station, thus clearing the bill for the President. Page 10800

Oil Contracts: Amended and passed S. 1647, to eliminate premium payments in the purchase of Government royalty oil under existing contracts entered into pursuant to the act of July 13, 1946. Pages 10801–10802

D. C. Legislation: Considered and passed the following bills pertaining to the District of Columbia:

Mental health: H. R. 4749, requirements for membership on Commission on Mental Health for the District of Columbia.

Aged and infirm: H. R. 4892, admission of certain D. C. patients to Home for Aged and Infirm.

Private bills: H. R. 4789 and 4059, both private bills.

Life insurance: H. R. 4393, to amend the D. C. Life Insurance Act, amended.

Group life insurance: H. R. 4394, to provide modern standards for the writing of group life insurance in the District of Columbia.

Contracts: S. 1918, to authorize D. C. Commissioners to appoint contracting officers to make contracts in amounts not exceeding $3,000.

Employees compensation: H. J. Res. 302, to increase the compensation of certain D. C. employees so as to clarify the provisions relating to retired policemen and firemen. Pages 10795–10800

Committee Meetings

COUNTY ROADS

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee No. 1 approved for reporting to the full committee H. R. 2895, amended, authorizing the sale of select base material at the Fort Benning Military Reservation to

Muscogee County, Ga., for use on county roads; and S. 1560 and S. 509, both private bills.

Representative Pace and Philip W. Kelleher, Office of Chief of Engineers, Department of the Army, testified on H. R. 2895. Col. Robert Lancefield, Legislative and Liaison Division, and Maj. F. A. Pierce, Personnel and Administration, both of the Department of the Army, appeared on S. 1560. Speaking on S. 509 was Commander W. R. Sheeley, Office of Judge Advocate General, Department of the Navy.

WIND TUNNEL

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee No. 3 reopened hearings on H. R. 3434, authorizing the construction of supersonic wind-tunnel facilities and establishment of an air engineering development center. Testifying on this bill were Dr. Hugh L. Dryden, National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics; Brig. Gen. Donald L. Putt, Chief, Research and Development Division, Air Force; Dr. John Marchant, Brown University; and Dr. S. Douglas Cornell, Research and Development Board, Office of Secretary of Defense. Hearings will be continued tomorrow morning.

HOUSING

Committee on Banking and Currency: Continued hearings on H. R. 5631, the omnibus housing bill of 1949. Rodney M. Lockwood and William P. Atkinson, representing National Association of Home Builders, testified in favor of continuation of titles I and II of the National Housing Act, with suggested amendments, extension of section 608, and a modification of the present law governing operations of the FNMA. They opposed the proposed amendments to the Servicemen's Readjustment Act, direct loans to veterans, direct loans to cooperatives, and the provisions in the bill providing for disposal of war and veterans housing.

Francis G. Addison, Jr., representing the U. S. Chamber of Commerce, advocated extending certain sections of the National Housing Act due to expire shortly with modifications to bring them in line with a new level of building costs and prices. He strenuously opposed all programs for direct Government loans, stating, "This measure gives lip service to the principles of private enterprise, but what it proposes would decrease, rather than increase, the part of the housing market to be served by private enterprise."

At an afternoon session, representatives of the RFC and Carl G. Strandlund, president of Lustron Corp., were interrogated by the committee with respect to several RFC loans to the corporation. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL

Committee on the District of Columbia: Considered, but took no action on, various bills regarding alcoholic beverage control laws. At the hearing on H. R. 4074, to prohibit the purchase of fermented malt beverages on credit in the District of Columbia, the following witnesses spoke on behalf of the bill: Representatives Forand, author of the measure, and Miller of Nebraska, a member of the committee; and George Hauker, secretary, Brewing Association for Maryland, D. C., and Virginia. Opposed to the bill were Burbon Dawes, secretary, Washington Hotel Association; Corporation Counsel Vernon West; Commissioner Guy Mason; and Alan W. Payne, Chairman, D. C. Alcoholic Beverage Control Board.

The following witnesses testified in favor of H. R. 3247, amending the Alcoholic Beverage Control Act relative to authority of Commissioners to make rules and regulations for issuance, transfer, and revocation of licenses, and insure collection of taxes, etc.: Philip A. Guarino, president, Restaurant Beverage Association; Corporation Counsel Vernon West; and Mrs. Sartwell, of the Metropolis Citizens Association.

D. C. Commissioner Guy Mason spoke on behalf of H. R. 3954, amending the Beverage Control Act relative to class B licenses.

BUREAU OF EMPLOYMENT SECURITY

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Rejected H. Res. 301, disapproving of Reorganization Plan No. 2, transferring the Bureau of Employment Security, now in the Federal Security Agency, to the Department of Labor.

MILITARY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Met in executive session on H. R. 5748, to continue questioning representatives of the State Department, the National Military Establishment, and the ECA on the proposed military assistance program. The committee was supplied with a collection of classified documents giving details on the way in which the program was developed. Dr. Berkner, State Department; General Lemnitzer, National Military Establishment; and Mr. Dickinson, Economic Cooperation Administration, were questioned vigorously by the members. They undertook to supply certain additional information at the request of the committee.

The committee will meet again tomorrow for the purpose of hearing individual citizens and representatives of various organizations.

RAILROAD COMMUNICATION SYSTEMS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Resumed hearings on H. R. 378, to amend Interstate Commerce Act to require certain common carriers by railroad to install and maintain communication systems and to establish operating regulations and practices to promote safety of employees and travelers on railroads. Commissioners from the Interstate Commerce Commission who gave testimony on the measure were Dr. Walter M. W. Splawn, William J. Patterson, and J. Monroe Johnson. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

IMMIGRATION—JUDGES AND COURTS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 1 ordered reported to the full committee eight private immigration bills (five House and three Senate bills).

Subcommittee No. 2 heard Henry P. Chandler, Director, Administrative Office of the United States Courts; James V. Bennett, Director, Bureau of Prisons; Dr. Winfred Overholser, Superintendent, St. Elizabeths Hospital; and A. E. Gottshall, Criminal Division, Department of Justice, on S. 936, a bill to provide for the care and custody of insane persons charged with or convicted of offenses against the United States. Also heard Henry P. Chandler on H. R. 2166, a bill to amend title 28, U. S. Code, so as to increase subsistence expenses allowed to justices and judges while attending court at places other than their official stations.

Representatives Jacobs and Ford; Elizabeth Wickender, Washington representative, American Public Welfare Association; and Harry V. Hayden, legislative representative, American Legion, testified on H. R. 4565 and 4580, to provide for enforcement of support orders in certain State and Federal courts.

Subcommittee No. 3 ordered reported favorably to the full committee S. 566, a bill to fix the salaries of certain justices and judges in Hawaii; S. 934, a bill to provide for the detention and care of persons of unsound mind in certain Federal reservations in Virginia and Maryland; and S. 1949, a bill to authorize the lease of the Federal correctional institution at Sandstone, Minn.

LONG-RANGE SHIPPING

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Subcommittee on Maritime Affairs continued executive consideration of long-range shipping legislation. The group will continue on the same subject tomorrow, having ordered a committee print of a clean bill on the subject incorporating suggested amendments offered by members of the U. S. Maritime Commission and representatives of the shipping industry.

POSTAL EMPLOYEES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Held executive discussions on H. R. 4495, pay and leave regulations for postal employees, and will resume on same subject tomorrow.

MINERAL LEASING BIDS

Committee on Public Lands: The Subcommittee on Mines and Mining held hearings, but took no action, on H. R. 1265 and 5312, bills amending the Mineral Leasing Act for Acquired Lands relative to competitive bidding on leases issued thereunder. Representative Allen of Louisiana, author of H. R. 5312, explained the features of his bill, and Jacob Wasserman, Chief Counsel, Bureau of Land Management, discussed Department of the Interior's proposed amendments.

VETERANS' TRAINING

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Concluded hearings on H. R. 3067 and 4898, relating to building-trades training under the GI bill of rights. Testimony was received today from C. H. Munson, Director of Vocational Training for the American Legion.

SOCIAL SECURITY

Committee on Ways and Means: Held further executive discussions on revisions to the Social Security Act and will continue on this topic tomorrow.

Joint Committee Meetings

ATOMIC ENERGY—SCHOOLS

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Subcommittee heard the following witnesses discuss the question of Federal contributions by the AEC for construction of public-school facilities in the vicinity of Richland, Wash.: H. L. Alves, Director, Division of School Administration, U. S. Office of Education; AEC Commissioners Gordon Dean and Henry DeWolf Smyth; Carleton Shugg, AEC Deputy General Manager; and Everett Hollis, deputy to general counsel of AEC. Subcommittee continues August 8.

NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE

Conferees on H. R. 3751, to provide for transfer of tower on Lower Souris National Wildlife Refuge to International Peace Garden, Inc., met in executive session to compromise differences over Senate amendment to the House-passed version of the bill. Senate conferees agreed to recede from the Senate amendment and accept the House-passed version.

Friday, August 5, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate continued work on foreign-aid appropriations.
House passed natural-gas bill.
Third deficiency appropriations reported to Senate.
Minimum-wage bill cleared for House debate by Rules Committee; postal employees pay-raise bill approved by House committee.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 10804–10814

Bills Introduced: Nine bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 2388 to S. 2396; and S. Res. 151. Page 10807

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. R. 5831, to exempt certain volatile fruit-flavor concentrates from the tax on liquors (S. Rept. 841);

S. 384, private bill (S. Rept. 842);

S. 1479, to abolish the village delivery service of the Post Office Department, and to transfer village carriers to the city delivery service, with amendment (S. Rept. 843);

H. R. 2662, to allow employees (veterans) of the executive branch of the Government, without pay or leave deductions, to participate in funerals for deceased members of the armed forces returned to U. S. for burial (S. Rept. 844);

S. 2226, relating to the compensation of certain employees of the Panama Canal (S. Rept. 845);

H. R. 5300, third deficiency appropriations for 1949, with amendments (S. Rept. 846);

S. 2379, to establish a standard schedule of rates of basic compensation for certain employees of the Federal Government; to provide an equitable system for fixing and adjusting the rates of basic compensation of individual employees; and to repeal the Classification Act of 1923 (S. Rept. 847);

S. 1115, authorizing appropriation for construction, operation, and maintenance of the western land boundary fence project (S. Rept. 848); and

S. 2391, construction, operation, and maintenance of Weber Basin reclamation project, Utah (S. Rept. 849). Pages 10806–10807

Bills Referred: Eight House-passed bills were referred to appropriate committees. Pages 10807–10808

Bills Rereferred: Committee on Finance was discharged from further consideration of S. 2248 and S. 2249, Dental Service bills, and S. 2361, veterans hospital at Pasadena, Calif., and they were rereferred to the Committee on Labor and Public Welfare. Page 10808

Veto Messages: Veto messages from the President on S. 40, S. 275, and S. 1266, private bills, were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary and ordered printed as S. Docs. 105, 104, and 106, respectively. Pages 10804–10807

Foreign-Aid Appropriations: Senate continued work on H. R. 4830, foreign-aid appropriations, taking the following actions:

By voice vote, adopted committee amendment reducing by $25 million funds for Military Establishment for government and relief in occupied areas, committee amendment reducing by $5 million funds for Military Establishment for same purpose; and committee amendment on technical services by Military Establishment.

Rejected, by 34 yeas to 46 nays, committee amendment to prevent use by participating country of local counterpart funds in cases where that country has failed to comply with treaties with U. S.

Of the remaining committee amendments, all were rejected by voice vote with the exception of one decreasing by $5 million funds for Greek-Turkish aid which was adopted by voice vote, and one respecting purchase of surplus agricultural products by the Department of the Army which was eliminated on point of order as legislation in an appropriation bill.

The following amendments offered from the floor were adopted by voice vote: McKellar amendment providing that when members of armed forces are employed primarily for government and relief in occupied areas, their travel allowances shall be paid from this appropriation; McKellar amendment regarding use by civilian employees of Army facilities for purchase of subsistence supplies; McKellar amendment regarding review of list of war plants in Germany to be dismantled as modified by Bridges amendment in the nature of substitute therefor; Knowland amendment allocating $4 million for education in U. S. of selected Chinese students; Thomas of Oklahoma amendment authorizing Department of Army to operate certain factories for production of fertilizer for use in occupied countries and in southern Korea; Bridges amendment authorizing Administrator to borrow not more than $150 million from Treasury for use as loans under program; Bridges amendment directing use of counterpart funds to publicize American assistance; and Lucas amendment to exempt so-called Congressional Watch-Dog Committee from the provision of Travel Expense Act of 1949.

Senate rejected, by 38 yeas to 39 nays, McClellan motion to suspend the rules to offer amendment regarding surplus agricultural products.

Senator Lucas, on ground that it was legislation in an appropriation bill, made point of order against Kem amendment, barring funds to any country socializing industry. Pending at recess was appeal taken by Senator Kem from decision of the Chair sustaining this point of order. Pages 10814–10831, 10833–10842

Nominations: Four civilian nominations were received, including those of Tracy S. Voorhees, New York, to be Under Secretary of Army, and Archibald S. Alexander, New Jersey, to be Assistant Secretary of Army. Page 10843

Committee Meetings

RURAL TELEPHONES

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Continuing hearings on proposed legislation providing for rural telephones (H. R. 2960, S. 78, S. 121, and S. 1254), the committee heard the following witnesses testify in support of the legislation: Benjamin J. Stong, National Farmers Union; J. T. Sanders, National Grange; Harry Caldwell, president, North Carolina State Grange; and Roger Fleming, American Farm Bureau Federation. Hearings continue August 8.

THIRD DEFICIENCY APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Committee, in executive session, voted to report to the Senate H. R. 5300, third deficiency appropriations for 1949. As approved by the committee, the bill would appropriate $136,318,469, a total of $9,286,225 over the House-approved figure. The bill, as passed by the House, would appropriate $127,032,243. The budget estimates considered by the committee total $184,730,794.

The subcommittee met in executive session and concluded marking up the bill before the full committee met to take the above action.

FOREIGN MILITARY AID

Committees on Armed Services and Foreign Relations: Committees met again jointly in executive session to consider proposed legislation on military aid for foreign nations. It was agreed that public hearings would open on this proposed legislation on Monday, August 8.

It was also agreed that a new bill (a second draft submitted by the Secretary of State, S. 2388) would be introduced in lieu of S. 2341, Foreign Military Assistance Act of 1949. The hearings will be held on S. 2388.

HOUSING

Committee on Banking and Currency: Committee, in executive session, considered for reporting to the Senate S. 2246, proposing amendments to the National Housing Act affecting mortgage-insurance program administered by the FHA and the secondary market program of the Federal National Mortgage Association, but failed to reach final agreement. Committee meets again Monday, August 8.

D. C. OPTOMETRY

Committee on the District of Columbia: Subcommittee held hearings on H. R. 4237, to amend act regulating practice of optometry in D. C., receiving testimony in opposition to the bill from Peyton R. Evans, Washington Publishers Association; William L. Daley, National Editorial Association; Don Reid, Iowa Press Association, Des Moines; Mrs. Sally P. Muchmore, Better Business Bureau of Washington, D. C.; and Mr. Hagel, Merchants and Manufacturers Association, Washington, D. C.

Testifying in support of the bill were the following: Vernon E. West, D. C. Corporation Counsel; William P. McCracken, D. C. Optometric Association; Dr. Joseph Babcock, vice president, American Optometric Association, Portsmouth, Iowa; and Mr. Gurley, American Osteopathic Association.

INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS AND OVERSEAS ACTIVITIES

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: In executive session, the Subcommittee on Relations With International Organizations voted to report favorably to the full committee S. 2072, creating a commission to study the administration of Federal overseas activities.

The subcommittee also, in executive session, heard officials of the State Department discuss U. S. participation in international organizations with special emphasis on budgetary, fiscal, and administrative problems.

COPPER, SCRAP IRON AND STEEL, AND FRUIT CONCENTRATES

Committee on Finance: Committee concluded hearings on proposed legislation to repeal the law suspending the import duty on copper, after receiving testimony in support of the proposed legislation from Senator Malone, and testimony in opposition to the repeal from Roger

E. Gay, Bristol Brass Corp.; Don A. Danaher, Revere Copper & Brass, Inc.; A. F. Metz, Okonite Co.; A. D. R. Frasier, Rome Cable Co.; James Sanck, Crescent Wire Co.; and A. L. Connsley, York Manufacturing Co.

Committee also concluded hearings on H. R. 5327, to extend to June 30, 1950, the suspension of the import duty on scrap metal, after receiving testimony in support of the bill from Carl H. Burton, Aluminum Research, and in opposition to the bill from Felix Edgar Wormser, St. Joseph Lead Co.

In executive session, the committee voted to report without amendment H. R. 5831, to exempt certain volatile fruit-flavor concentrates from the tax on liquors.

The nomination of James J. Andrews to be Superintendent of U. S. Assay Office, New York, was ordered reported favorably.

WEBER BASIN RECLAMATION PROJECT, AND INDIANS

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: In executive session, committee agreed to introduce and report a new bill, including certain proposed amendments, in lieu of S. 167 and S. 251, construction, operation, and maintenance of Weber Basin reclamation project, Utah.

It also agreed to report with amendments S. 192, to confer jurisdiction on New York courts with respect to civil actions concerning Indians.

MINING

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Subcommittee heard the following witnesses testify in support of S. 2320, to assist in maintaining sound domestic mining industries for the production of certain strategic metals: Senator McCarran; S. H. Williston, Cordero Mining Co., and American Mining Congress; and W. Lunsford Long, Tungsten Mining Corp., Warrenton, N. C.

GERMAN EXPELLEES AND SHANGHAI REFUGEES

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee heard the following witnesses discuss the German expellee problem: Mary P. Campion, United Action Committee for Expellees; Robert E. Van Dusan, National Lutheran Council; Olinda M. Roettger, Lutheran Church, Missouri Synod; J. H. Meyer, American Steuben Society; Joseph Wolf, American Aid Society of Philadelphia; Frank Hellman, Philadelphia Legislative Committee for Expellees; and Edward O'Reilly Cassidy and Conrad J. Link, in behalf of themselves.

Jacob Weinblum and Miss Erika Lewin, refugees from Shanghai who came to the U. S. on German immigrant visas, appeared before the subcommittee to discuss Shanghai refugee problem.

RAILROAD SWITCHING SERVICE, MATERNITY LEAVE, AND FEDERAL EMPLOYEES HOSPITALIZATION

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: In executive session, the subcommittee voted to report to the full committee the following bills: With amendment, S. 1596, to authorize the Postmaster General to enter into special agreements for certain switching service by railway common carriers; and, without amendment, S. Res. 16, to investigate hospitalization for Federal Government employees and to authorize $10,000 for that purpose, and S. 85, to provide maternity leave for Government employees.

The committee voted to report without recommendation S. 661, for postal employees' longevity, and it voted to report unfavorably S. 86, to provide office equipment for use by examination applicants competing for prospective Federal Government employment; S. 908, to prevent nepotism in appointments to governmental offices and positions; S. 1767, cashing of checks by railway postal clerks in New York City; and S. 1983, prohibiting the mailing of certain diseased chickens.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Twelve public bills, H. R. 5894–5905, and six private bills, H. R. 5906–5911, were introduced. Page 10878

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. R. 5511, to amend the Perishable Agricultural Commodities Act of 1930, relating to practices in the marketing of perishable agricultural commodities (H. Rept. 1194);

H. J. Res. 87, to provide an educational exchange program to be financed out of payments to the U. S. on Finland's World War I debt (H. Rept. 1195);

H. R. 4069, to reserve certain public-domain land in Nevada for addition to the Summit Lake Indian Reservation (H. Rept. 1196);

H. R. 5390, relative to exchange of Indian lands in Utah, amended (H. Rept. 1197);

H. R. 4231, to reserve certain public-domain land in Utah for addition to the Goshute Indian Reservation (H. Rept. 1198);

H. R. 4509, to amend the act of February 25, 1920 (41 Stat. 452), relative to timber on Flathead Indian Reservation (H. Rept. 1199);

H. R. 5098, to authorize the leasing of restricted Indian lands for public, religious, educational, recreational, business, and other purposes requiring the grant of long-term leases, amended (H. Rept. 1200);

H. R. 4495, to provide additional benefits for certain postmasters, officers, and employees in the postal field service with respect to annual and sick leave, longevity pay, and promotions, amended (H. Rept. 1201);

Two private bills, S. 520 and 1361 (H. Repts. 1202 and 1203, respectively);

H. Res. 301, disapproving Reorganization Plan No. 2 of 1949 (H. Rept. 1204); and

H. Res. 183, amended to provide for consideration of, waiving of points of order against, and 6 hours of debate on H. R. 5856 instead of H. R. 3190, to provide for the amendment of Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938, relative to increasing the minimum wage (H. Rept. 1205). Page 10878

Cotton-Acreage Allotments: Insisted on its amendment to S. 1962, to amend the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938, relative to cotton-acreage allotments and marketing quotas, agreed to a conference requested by the Senate, and appointed as conferees Representatives Cooley, Pace, Poage, Hope, and August H. Andresen. Page 10843

International Peace Garden: Adopted conference report on H. R. 3751, to transfer a tower located on the Lower Souris National Wildlife Refuge to the International Peace Garden, Inc., North Dakota Pages 10843–10844

Natural Gas: After defeating a recommittal motion, the House passed, 183 yeas to 131 nays, H. R. 1758, to amend the Natural Gas Act approved June 21, 1938, embodying the committee substitute amendment. A move to strike the enacting clause and thereby kill the bill was defeated. A substitute amendment for the committee amendment, which would have exempted all producers of less than 2 billion cubic feet of natural gas per annum from regulation by the Federal Power Commission, was rejected.

Also rejected amendments designed to establish a standard of arm's-length sales and to incorporate certain definitions in the bill. Pages 10845–10871

Committee Meetings

CLOTHING

Committee on Armed Services: Special Subcommittee on Clothing, in executive session, heard Gordon Gray, Secretary of the Army, and Stanley J. Cummings, executive secretary, National Association of Uniform Manufacturers, of New York City. Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

WIND TUNNEL

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee No. 3 continued hearings on H. R. 3434, authorizing the construction of supersonic wind-tunnel facilities and establishment of an air engineering development center. Witnesses heard on this bill today were Dr. Hugh L. Dryden, Director, Research and Development, and Russell G. Robinson, Assistant Director, Research and Development, both of the National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics; Dr. John Marchant, Brown University, Rhode Island; John Sidebottom, Aircraft Industries Association; Dr. Douglas Cornell, Research and Development Board, Office of Secretary of Defense; and Brig. Gen. Donald L. Putt, Chief, Research and Development Division, Department of the Air Force. Hearings will be resumed on Monday.

HOUSING

Committee on Banking and Currency: Held further consideration of H. R. 5631, the omnibus housing bill of 1949. Dr. James J. O'Leary, Life Insurance Association of America, spoke in opposition to the bill and especially direct Government loans. He said the bill will not encourage, but make more difficult, the sound financing of homes by private enterprise. Alexander Sommer and Calvin Snyder testified on behalf of the National Association of Real Estate Boards. They opposed direct Government loans provided in the bill and also transfer of permanent Lanham Act housing to local housing authorities for use as public low-cost housing projects. John W. Edelman and Leo Goodman, representing the CIO, testified in favor of the bill and urged the adoption of more liberal mortgage terms. Rt. Rev. Msgr. John O'Grady, National Conference of Catholic Charities, testified in favor of the bill, but more particularly with reference to suburban and semirural housing

and cooperative housing. Henry J. Andreas, president, Audubon Mutual Housing Association, Audubon Park, N. Y., and W. Manly Sheppard, Washington representative of the Sunset Engineering Co., Riverdale, N. J., also appeared on this legislation. Final hearings on this bill are expected to be completed at Monday morning's meeting.

MILITARY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Dean Acheson, Secretary of State, discussed H. R. 5895, the new bill introduced today on the proposed foreign military assistance program. Prior to this meeting, the committee heard the testimony of the following witnesses at an open hearing: Edgar Ansel Mowrer, Washington, D. C.; Bernard Weitzer, National legislative representative, Jewish War Veterans; Elliot H. Newcomb, representing the AMVETS; Richard R. Wood, editor, The Friend, Friends Committee on National Legislation; Gilbert A. Harrison, national chairman, American Veterans Committee; Frederick J. Libby, executive secretary, National Council for Prevention of War; Charles M. Lafollette, Americans for Democratic Action; and Mrs. Lawrence R. Mallery, Jr., representing the Women's International League for Peace and Freedom. Hearings will be continued on Monday.

RAILROAD COMMUNICATION SYSTEMS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Commissioner William J. Patterson, of the Interstate Commerce Commission, offered further testimony at today's hearings on H. R. 378, to amend Interstate Commerce Act to require certain common carriers by railroad to install and maintain communication systems and to establish operating regulations and practices to promote safety of employees and travelers on railroads. Hearings on this bill will continue on Monday.

MONOPOLY

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on the Study of Monopoly Power heard Prof. Milton Handler of Columbia University, New York City, at today's meeting.

LONG-RANGE SHIPPING

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Subcommittee on Maritime Affairs continued executive consideration of the committee print on H. R. 5346, the so-called long-range shipping bill, and will resume on the same subject next Wednesday morning.

POSTAL EMPLOYEES—POSTAL RATES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Ordered reported to the House H. R. 4495, relating to pay increase and leave regulations for postal employees.

Miller subcommittee considered second- and third-class mail rates in executive session. Adjourned subject to the call of the Chair.

NATIONAL PARK CONCESSIONS

Committee on Public Lands: Ordered reported to the House H. R. 5620, permitting public use of certain land in Hot Springs, N. Mex.

In an afternoon session the committee heard C. Girard Davidson, Assistant Secretary of Interior, who spoke in connection with national park concessions. Hearings on this subject will be resumed on Thursday and Friday of next week.

MINIMUM WAGES—FOREIGN FARM LABOR

Committee on Rules: Ordered reported to the House H. Res. 183, amended, to make in order 6 hours' debate on H. R. 5856, instead of H. R. 3190, amending the Fair Labor Standards Act by establishing a wage of 75 cents an hour as a minimum for workers engaged in commerce or in the production of goods for commerce. Representatives Lesinski, author of the bill, Combs, and Bailey spoke in support of H. R. 5856, and were in favor of the rule. Representative Lucas opposed the Lesinski bill and offered as a substitute a measure (H. R. 5894), which he introduced.

Also granted a rule providing for 1 hour's debate on H. R. 5557, authorizing the Federal Security Administrator to coordinate arrangements for temporary employment of foreign agricultural labor. This rule makes in order the consideration of H. R. 5828 as a substitute for H. R. 5557. Representatives Gathings and Phillips of California both testified, being authors of H. R. 5557 and 5828, respectively. The committee adjourned subject to the call of the Chair.

SOCIAL SECURITY

Committee on Ways and Means: Continued executive consideration of proposed amendments to the Social Security Act. Will resume on same subject Monday morning.

Joint Committee Meetings

INDIANS

Conferees on S. 1407, to promote rehabilitation of Navajo and Hopi Tribes of Indians, met in executive session, but reached no final agreement.

Monday, August 8, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed foreign-aid appropriation bill.
House debated minimum-wage bill.
Senate committees voted to report bills on housing, public lands, Indians, territories, and private claims and immigration.
Federal employees' salary-classification revision bill approved by House group.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 10935–10939

Bills Introduced: Thirteen bills and three resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2397 to S. 2409; S. J. Res. 123; S. Con. Res. 62; and S. Res. 152. Pages 10936–10938

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 1439, to provide for Federal aid to States in promoting industrial safety (S. Rept. 850);

S. Res. 147, disapproving Reorganization Plan No. 1 (S. Rept. 851);

S. Res. 151, disapproving Reorganization Plan No. 2 (S. Rept. 852);

S. 1772, on leave and promotion regulations for postal field employees, with amendments (S. Rept. 871);

S. Res. 152, referring the bill, S. 982, to the Court of Claims (S. Rept. 872);

H. R. 3383, basing Federal employees' compensation for night work on either standard or daylight-saving time (S. Rept. 873);

H. R. 3826, to amend the act of January 16, 1883, an Act To Regulate and Improve the Civil Service of the U. S., relative to State quotas (S. Rept. 874);

H. R. 4943, extending the time during which leases of public lands may be made to the State of Idaho for educational purposes (S. Rept. 875);

H. R. 5207, amending the Organic Act of Puerto Rico, relating to the expenses of courts and judges (S. Rept. 876); and

The following private bills: S. Con. Res. 62, S. 486, 1447, H. R. 632, 1065, 1631, 1701, 1792, 1979, 2628, 3768, 3803, 3837, 5160, 734, 3618, 4306, 1620, S. 738 and 1801 (S. Repts. 853 to 870, 877, and 878, respectively). Pages 10936–10938

Bill Placed on Calendar: H. R. 1758, to amend the Natural Gas Act, was placed on the calendar. Page 10938

Oil Contracts: Senate concurred with an amendment to House amendments to S. 1647, to eliminate premium payments in the purchase of Government royalty oil under existing contracts entered into pursuant to the act of July 13, 1946. Pages 10939–10940

National Wildlife Refuge: Conference report on H. R. 3751, to provide for transfer of tower on Lower Souris National Wildlife Refuge to International Peace Garden, Inc., was adopted, clearing the bill for the President. Page 10986

Philippine President: The Senate agreed to stand in recess shortly after it meets tomorrow to hear an address by President Quirino, of the Philippines. An escort committee consisting of Senators Lucas, Connally, Myers, Vandenberg, and Wherry was appointed. Pages 10985–10986

Foreign-Aid Appropriations: By vote of 63 yeas to 7 nays, Senate passed, with amendments, H. R. 4830, foreign-aid appropriations for 1950, after taking the following actions today:

By vote of 50 yeas to 21 nays, on an appeal from decision of the Chair, the Senate sustained the Chair in his ruling that the Kem amendment to bar funds to any country socializing an industry was legislation in an appropriation bill. By vote of 24 yeas to 49 nays, the Senate then rejected Kem motion to suspend the rules and adopt his amendment.

The Senate then asked for a conference and appointed as conferees Senators McKellar, Hayden, Thomas of Oklahoma, Russell, McCarran, Bridges, Gurney, Reed, and Ferguson. Pages 10935, 10955–10972, 10983–10985

Nominations: Two hundred and eleven Air Force nominations were received. Pages 10986–10987

Committee Meetings

RURAL TELEPHONES

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Committee heard the following witnesses testify in opposition to proposed legislation providing for rural telephones: Frank S. Barnes, president, U. S. Independent Tele-

phone Association, Rock Hill, S. C.; R. A. Lumpkin, president, Illinois Consolidated Telephone Co., and representing Illinois Telephone Association; and Carl D. Brorein, president, Peninsular Telephone Co., and representing Florida Telephone Association. Hearings continue tomorrow.

FARM PROGRAM

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Subcommittee met in executive session on Saturday to discuss with Secretary of Agriculture Brannan the proposed draft of amendments to the long-range farm legislation.

FOREIGN MILITARY AID

Committees on Armed Services and Foreign Relations: Secretary of State Acheson appeared as the first witness before the committees, meeting jointly, to testify in support of S. 2388, to provide military assistance to foreign nations. Hearings continue tomorrow.

HOUSING

Committee on Banking and Currency: In executive session, committee voted to report, with amendment, S. 2246, Housing Amendments of 1949, which include six titles involving amendments for liberalization of the FHA program under National Housing Act, as amended; disposal of temporary and permanent war housing; 50-year direct loans to cooperatives; 4-percent loans to veterans with stand-by direct lending power in FNMA; loans to educational institutions for housing for students and faculty; and $25,000,000 to RFC for interim financing, for prefab housing from the time it leaves factory until erection.

The bill would authorize increase in amount for insurance of mortgages by $2,385,000,000, and provide outside direct loan program amounting to $1,625,000,000, of which $500,000,000 may be used only with the approval of the President.

REORGANIZATION PLAN 2

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Committee reported S. Res. 151, to disapprove Reorganization Plan 2 of 1949, to transfer the Bureau of Employment Security from the FSA to the Department of Labor, etc.

GOVERNMENT CONTRACTS—PROFITS INVESTIGATION

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Subcommittee opened hearings on investigation of profits on Government contracts with the following persons discussing use of influence in procurement of Government contracts: Secretary of Defense Johnson, Brig. Gen. M. Brannon, Assistant Judge Advocate, and Paul D. Grindle, president and treasurer, C. W. Laing Wood Working Corp., Framingham, Mass. Hearings continue tomorrow.

PUBLIC LANDS, INDIANS, HAWAII, PUERTO RICO, AND ALASKA

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: In executive session, the committee voted to report the following bills without amendment: S. 2140, authorizing exchange of Navajo land for certain Utah State land; S. 2286, authorizing transfer of land to county of Bernalillo, N. Mex., for a hospital site; S. 1829, transfer to the Crow Indian Tribe of Montana the title to certain buffalo; H. R. 5207, amending the Organic Act of Puerto Rico relating to the expenses of courts and judges; H. R. 4943, extending the time during which leases of public lands may be made to the State of Idaho for educational purposes; H. R. 4688, ratifying and confirming certain possession laws of Hawaii; H. R. 225, to authorize revision of certain laws of Alaska relative to imposing taxes for carrying on business and trade; H. R. 2369, to authorize an appropriation to complete the International Peace Garden, N. Dak.; H. R. 2876, to effect an exchange of certain lands in North Carolina between U. S. and Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians; H. R. 4026, relating to exchange of certain properties within Acadia National Park, Maine; H. R. 3881, to provide for use of State course of study in schools operated by the Bureau of Indian Affairs in South Dakota upon petition therefor; H. R. 5134, to promote development in cooperation with the State of Colorado of the fish, wildlife, and recreational aspects of the Colorado-Big Thompson Federal reclamation project; and S. 76, H. R. 2702, and H. R. 1790, private bills.

FOOD, DRUGS, AND COSMETICS—EXPORTS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee held further hearings on H. R. 562, to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act relative to adulterated or misbranded articles for export purposes, receiving testimony in opposition to the bill from the following witnesses: Dr. Stephen P. Ladas, New York; H. C. Dunlap, vice president, Dried Fruit Association of California; Charles Wesley Dunn, general counsel, Grocery Manufacturers of America, and American Pharmaceutical Manufacturers Association; Representatives Anderson, Phillips, and Bramblett; and H. Thomas Austern, attorney, of Washington, D. C., representing the National Canners Association.

C. W. Crawford, Deputy Commissioner, Food and Drug Administration, appeared in support of the bill.

PRIVATE CLAIMS AND IMMIGRATION BILLS

Committee on the Judiciary: In executive session, the committee agreed to report the following 14 private claims bills: S. 738, 982, 1447, H. R. 632, 734, 807, 1065, 1620, 1631, 1701, 1792, 2628, 3803, and 3618. It indefinitely postponed the following six private claims bills: S. 71, 768, 1217, 1294, 1072, and 1904; and received subcommittee reports on two others: S. 1737 and 1801.

The following six private immigration bills were ordered reported: S. 486, H. R. 1979, 3768, 3837, 4306, and 5160.

It also voted to report S. 272, to facilitate admission of certain foreign agricultural workers into the U. S., and ordered introduced and reported an original concurrent resolution on deportation referral cases.

It referred to subcommittee for study S. 946, credit for time served under illegal conviction or sentence, and indefinitely postponed S. 173, to repeal prohibition against filling of vacancy in office of district judge in southern district of New York.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Eleven public bills, H. R. 5912–5922; six private bills, H. R. 5923–5928; and three resolutions, H. Res. 317–319, were introduced. Pages 11021–11022

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

Eight private bills, H. R. 1485, 2854, 3081, 3863, 4095, 4777, 4889, and 5582 (H. Repts. 1206–1213, respectively);

H. R. 4692, extending term of patents held by veterans of World War II, amended (H. Rept. 1214); and

H. R. 5620, permitting public use of certain land in Hot Springs, N. Mex. (H. Rept. 1215). Page 11021

Order of Business: By unanimous consent the Speaker was empowered to declare a recess at any time on Tuesday, August 9, to receive the President of the Philippine Republic, His Excellency Elpidio Quirino. Page 10988

Minimum Wage: Adopted, by 351 yeas to 17 nays, H. Res. 183, the rule providing for consideration of, waiving of points of order against, and 6 hours of general debate on, H. R. 3190, to provide for amending the Fair Labor Standards Act relative to expanding its coverage and to increase the minimum wage to 75 cents per hour.

Adopted a committee amendment making the rule applicable to H. R. 5856, a modified version of H. R. 3190.

By unanimous consent the 6 hours allotted for general debate was reduced to 4 hours; following which the House debated the measure for more than 2 hours before postponing further action until tomorrow.

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Committee Meetings

WIND TUNNEL

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee No. 3 continued hearings on H. R. 3434, authorizing the construction of supersonic wind-tunnel facilities and establishment of an air engineering development center. Witnesses testifying today were Dr. Hugh L. Dryden, Director, Research and Development, National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics; Brig. Gen. Donald L. Putt, Chief, Research and Development Division, Department of the Air Force; Comdr. Frank Slason, Department of the Navy; Dr. Frank Wattendorf, Wright Field, Ohio; and Dr. S. D. Cornell, Research and Development Board, Office of Secretary of Defense. Adjourned subject to the call of the Chair.

HOUSING

Committee on Banking and Currency: Concluded hearings on H. R. 5631, omnibus housing bill for 1949. The following Members of Congress testified today in favor of the legislation: Representatives Boggs of Louisiana, Miller of California, Javits, Boykin, and Sutton. Executive meeting will be held on this subject tomorrow morning.

HOME RULE

Committee on the District of Columbia: Judiciary Subcommittee held executive discussions on home-rule legislation, took no action, and will resume on same subject Tuesday, August 16.

MARITIME COMMISSION

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: The Subcommittee on Government Operations heard the following witnesses at its study of the General Accounting Office's report concerning the Maritime Commission: Maj. Gen. Philip B. Fleming, Chairman; Grenville Mellen, Vice Chairman; and Commissioner Joseph K. Carson, Jr., all of the U. S. Maritime Commission. Comptroller General Lindsay C. Warren, GAO, also testified. The group resumed study of this report in a night session.

MILITARY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Concluded public hearings on H. R. 5895, the newly written foreign military aid bill. Witnesses heard today were Brig. Gen. Bonner Fellers, Washington, D. C.; Ely Culbertson, chairman, Citizens Committee for United Nations Reform, New York City; W. E. B. Dubois, Council on African Affairs and American Continental Congress for Peace, New York City; John M. Costello, accompanied by Martin L. Sweeney and Richard S. Dalton, representing the American League for an Undivided Ireland, Washington, D. C.; Frederick C. McKee, Washington, D. C.;

Frederic C. Smedley, Waterbury, Conn.; Richard Morford, executive director, National Council of American-Soviet Friendship, New York City; Harold Buckman, Washington representative, Progressive Party; and Arnold Johnson, Communist Party, New York City. Will meet again tomorrow in executive session.

RAILROAD COMMUNICATION SYSTEMS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Heard further testimony from Commissioner William J. Patterson, Interstate Commerce Commission, on H. R. 378, to amend Interstate Commerce Act to require certain common carriers by railroad to install and maintain communication systems and to establish operating regulations and practices to promote safety of employees and travelers on railroads. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

SERVICE ORGANIZATIONS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 2 held hearings on more than 30 bills relating to the incorporation of certain groups of servicemen and auxiliary organizations. Members of Congress, who have introduced these various bills, accompanied by representatives of the proposed organizations, testified before the group.

FEDERAL EMPLOYEES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Murray Subcommittee approved for reporting to the full committee a clean bill, to be introduced in lieu of H. R. 4169, making certain revisions in salary schedules and classification of Government employees.

PALISADES PROJECT, IDAHO

Committee on Public Lands: The Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation opened hearings on H. R. 5506, authorizing the Palisades Dam and Reservoir project, Idaho. Speaking in favor of the bill were the congressional delegation from Idaho, Senators Miller and Taylor, and Representatives Sanborn and White, along with Wesley R. Nelson, Assistant Commissioner, Bureau of Reclamation, and Robert J. Newell, formerly regional director of the Bureau of Reclamation and now a consultant with the Bureau in Boise, Idaho. Mr. Newell will continue his statement at tomorrow's hearing on the project.

SOCIAL SECURITY

Committee on Ways and Means: Resumed consideration, in executive session, of the proposed amendments to the Social Security Act. Will continue on this subject tomorrow.

Joint Committee Meetings

ATOMIC ENERGY—SCHOOLS

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Subcommittee received testimony from the following witnesses on the question of Federal contributions by the AEC for construction of public school facilities in the vicinity of Richland, Wash., with AEC Commissioner Henry DeWolf Smyth; Carleton Shugg, AEC Deputy General Manager; Everett Hollis, deputy to general counsel of AEC; E. S. Black, superintendent of Kennewick School District, Wash.; and E. F. Shaw, deputy manager of the atomic energy installation at Hanford, Wash.

COTTON QUOTAS

On Saturday, August 6, *conferees* on S. 1962, to amend the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938 with respect to cotton marketing quota provisions, met in executive session to reach an agreement over the differences between the two passed versions of the bill, but did not reach final agreement. They meet again August 9.

Tuesday, August 9, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed 147 bills and resolutions on call of the calendar.
House debated minimum-wage bill.
B-36 bomber investigation opened by House committee.
Conferees agree on bill on cotton quotas.

Senate

Chamber Action

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Bills Introduced: Six bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 2410 to S. 2415; and S. J. Res. 124. Page 11023

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. R. 3589, to convey to Miles City, Mont., certain lands in Custer County for use as an industrial site (S. Rept. 879);

H. R. 1689, to increase rates of compensation of heads and assistant heads of executive departments and independent agencies, with amendment (S. Rept. 882);

H. R. 225 to authorize revision of certain laws of Alaska relative to imposing taxes for carrying on business and trade (S. Rept. 883);

H. R. 4026, relating to exchange of certain properties within Acadia National Park, Maine (S. Rept. 886);

H. R. 4688, ratifying and confirming certain session laws of Hawaii regarding revenue bonds (S. Rept. 887);

The following private bills: S. 1737, H. R. 807, 1790, and 2702 (S. Repts. 880, 881, 884, and 885, respectively); and

Minority views on S. Res. 147, to disapprove Reorganization Plan No. 1 (pt. 2 of S. Rept. 851). Page 11023

Philippine President: Senate recessed briefly and heard an address by President Quirino, of the Philippines. Pages 11031–11032

Calendar Bills Passed: On call of the calendar, 147 unobjected-to bills, of which 69 were private, were passed as follows:

Without amendment and cleared for President:

Duty-free gifts: H. J. Res. 242, to extend for 2 years the existing privileges of free importation of gifts from members of the U. S. armed forces on duty abroad;

Waterway: H. R. 3511, to declare the waterway in which is located the Brewery Street Channel at New Haven, Conn., a nonnavigable stream;

Fishing vessel: H. R. 579, to permit the motor vessel *FLB-5005* to engage in fisheries;

Coast and Geodetic: H. R. 2572, extending to officers of the Coast and Geodetic Survey the provisions of the Armed Forces Leave Act;

Government annuities: H. R. 3756, to provide that the annuities of certain Government employees engaged in enforcement of the criminal laws of the U. S. shall be computed on basis of their average basic salaries for any five consecutive years of allowable service;

Soo locks: H. R. 5188, regarding the one-hundredth anniversary celebration of the building of the Soo Locks, Michigan;

Supreme Court: H. R. 4948, policing of the building and grounds of the Supreme Court;

Georgia court: H. R. 5287, to create a Swainsboro division of district court in the southern district of Georgia;

Vice President: H. J. Res. 188, providing for coinage of a medal in recognition of the distinguished services of Vice President Barkley;

Public land—Montana: H. R. 1720, providing for conveyance of certain land in Missoula County, Mont., for use of Montana State University;

Suitland Parkway: H. R. 2214, providing for development and maintenance of the Suitland Parkway as an extension of the D. C. park system;

Post office—Los Angeles: H. R. 1154, to provide authorization for additional funds for the extension and improvement of post-office facilities at Los Angeles;

Merchant marine: H. R. 242, to provide for conferring of degree of bachelor of science upon graduates of U. S. Merchant Marine Academy;

Fishing vessel: H. R. 5365, transferring vessel *Black Mallard* to State of Louisiana for use and benefit of department of wildlife and fisheries of such State;

Post Office: H. R. 91, to provide for a research and development program in the Post Office Department;

Custodial service: H. R. 1516, automatic promotions for part-time employees in the custodial service of the Post Office Department;

Polson, Mont.: H. R. 2869, to authorize appropriation in aid of a system of drainage and sanitation for the city of Polson, Mont.;

Vermejo reclamation: H. R. 3788, authorizing the Secretary of Interior to construct, operate, and maintain the Vermejo reclamation project, New Mexico;

Funerals—Veterans: H. R. 2662, to allow employees (veterans) of the executive branch of the Government, without pay or leave deductions, to participate in funerals for deceased members of the armed forces returned to U. S. for burial;

Liquor tax: H. R. 5831, to exempt certain volatile fruit-flavor concentrates from the tax on liquors;

Indian lands: H. R. 5034, to authorize taxation of Indian lands in town of Lodge Grass, Mont., to assist in financing a municipal water-supply and sewerage system;

Liquor tax: H. R. 5114, to amend the Internal Revenue Code to permit the use of additional means, including stamp machines, for payment of tax on fermented malt liquors, and to provide for the establishment of brewery bottling house on brewery premises; and

Private bills: Thirty-eight private bills: H. R. 2931, 607, 691, 1023, 1069, 1075, 1619, 1993, 2344, 2704, 2925, 3139, 4097, 3408, 4138, 4307, 4366, 4854, 2608, 3193, 748, 1017, 1034, 1055, 1282, 1459, 1857, 2095, 2239, 2253, 2456, 2806, 2807, 3461, 3501, 637, 1679, and 2602.

With amendment, to be sent back to House:

Civil service: H. R. 997, to extend benefits of Civil Service Retirement Act to certain employees involuntarily separated between July 1, 1945, and July 1, 1947;

Crop insurance: H. R. 3825, to amend the Federal Crop Insurance Act to provide for multiple crop insurance on certain agricultural commodities;

National park: H. R. 2877, to add certain lands to the Big Bend National Park, Tex.;

Indians: H. R. 4510, funds for the Klamath County, Oreg., School Board for Indiar and non-Indian children without discrimination;

Canadian vessels: H. R. 2634, to permit Canadian vessels to serve temporarily certain Alaskan points until June 30, 1950;

Commerce Department: H. R. 162, providing basic authority for certain Commerce Department functions and activities;

Fish hatchery: H. R. 2740, to establish rearing ponds and a fish hatchery at or near Millen, Ga.;

Air star routes: H. R. 4498, transportation of mail by air star routes;

Duty-free imports: H. R. 5086, to accord privileges of free importation to members of armed forces of other nations;

Public land—Montana: H. R. 2197, to authorize acquisition by county of Missoula, Mont., of certain lands for public use;

Indian land patent: H. R. 1892, to authorize Secretary of the Interior to issue a patent in fee to certain Indian lands in Lake County, Mont.;

National park: H. R. 3440, to add certain lands to Rocky Mountain National Park, Colo.;

Niagara Falls Bridge: H. J. Res. 208, to amend the resolution creating the Niagara Falls Bridge Commission;

Civil-service retirement: H. R. 2944, to amend Civil Service Retirement Act of 1930 to provide survivorship benefits for widows or widowers of persons retiring under the act;

Mississippi Parkway: H. R. 1997, to authorize a survey of a proposed Mississippi River Parkway for the purpose of determining the feasibility of same;

Forests: H. R. 2296, to establish Federal-State cooperation in forestry activities by amending the Clark-McNary Act of 1924; and

Private bills: Seven private bills: H. R. 631, 559, 1285, 1137, 1505, 1604, and 1279.

Without amendment and cleared for House:

Buffalo Rapids projects—Montana: S. 2042, providing for construction of irrigation facilities for water users on the Buffalo Rapids project, Montana;

American business: S. 868, providing for dissemination of technological, scientific, and engineering information to American business and industry;

Bureau of Standards: S. 2046, providing authority for certain functions and activities of Bureau of Standards;

Rural mail carriers: S. 1231, to repeal limitations on pay of certain rural mail carriers;

Rural mail carriers: S. 1232, affecting equipment allowances of rural mail carriers;

Veterans benefits: S. 672, providing educational benefits to veterans who enlisted before October 6, 1945, on the same basis as those who enlisted within 1 year after October 6, 1945;

Public Health officers: S. 2160, to authorize annual and sick leave with pay for commissioned officers of the Public Health Service;

CAA personnel: S. 4, authorizing advanced training in aeronautics of CAA technical personnel;

Navigation laws: S. 442, to amend the Air Commerce Act of 1926 to provide for the application to civil air navigation of laws and regulations related to animal and plant quarantine;

Bureau of Standards: S. 2201, providing basic authority for performance of certain functions and activities of the National Bureau of Standards;

Foreign gifts: S. 2240, authorizing certain Coast Guard and Public Health Service personnel to accept certain gifts of foreign governments;

Colonial Dames—D. C.: S. 973, to exempt from taxation certain property of the National Society of the Colonial Dames of America in the D. C.;

Postal employees: S. 1825, promotions for temporary postal employees;

Army Dental Corps: S. 2380, to revise the law with relation to the Army Dental Corps;

Weber project: S. 2391, construction, operation, and maintenance of Weber Basin reclamation project, Utah;

Western boundary: S. 1115, authorizing appropriation for construction, operation, and maintenance of the western land boundary fence project; and

Private bills: Seventeen private bills: S. 1054, 2170, 777, 986, 1096, S. Con. Res. 55, S. Con. Res. 58, S. 212, 296, 309, 557, 794, 916, 1145, 1446, 2031, and 1565.

With amendment and cleared for House:

Corporations: S. 1290, to establish and effectuate a policy with respect to creation or chartering certain corporations by act of Congress;

Veterans' preference: S. 1937, amending Veterans' Preference Act of 1944 for retention in Federal service of employees who have suffered loss of an eye or a limb;

Port-au-Prince: S. J. Res. 79, participation in International Exposition for the Bicentennial of the Founding of Port-au-Prince, Haiti;

Finland debt: S. J. Res. 3, to provide for use of World War I debt payments by Finland for educational and technical instruction and training in the U. S. for citizens of Finland;

Public land—Wisconsin: S. 2298, to authorize the VA to convey certain land and to lease certain other land to Milwaukee County, Wis.;

Veterans hospital: S. 1387, naming a veterans hospital at West Haven, Conn.;

Alaska public works: S. 855, authorizing a program of useful public works for the development of Alaska;

Disabled veterans: S. 2146, additional allowance for veterans paralyzed from service-connected brain injuries;

Radio laboratory: S. 443, to authorize construction and equipment of a radio laboratory for the National Bureau of Standards;

Hospital construction: S. 614, to amend the Hospital Survey and Construction Act, increasing amounts of funds and defining their distribution;

D. C. boiler inspection: S. 1126, to amend the Boiler Inspection Act of D. C.;

Whaling: S. 2080, to make effective the International Convention for the Regulation of Whaling;

CAA: S. 450, to amend the Civil Aeronautics Act (powers of the Administrator) to permit assignment of work or functions to employees, and authorizing delegation of certain powers and duties to private persons;

D. C.—Teacher exchange: S. 2028, to permit the Board of Education of the D. C. to participate in the foreign-teacher exchange program in cooperation with the U. S. Office of Education;

Bankruptcy: S. 938, to amend the Bankruptcy Act relative to farmer-debtor relief;

Postal delivery: S. 1479, to abolish the village delivery service of the Post Office Department, and to transfer village carriers to the city delivery service;

Postal employees: S. 689, to permit certain postal employees or substitute postal employees to receive credit for military service;

Forest roads: S. J. Res. 24, to provide for a suitable and adequate system of timber access roads to and in the forests of the U. S.;

FCC: S. 1973, to amend the FCC Act of 1934 to prescribe rules and organizations for the FCC, regulations for FCC, hearing license applications, and for enforcement of FCC orders;

Employment: S. 2085, to amend the Employment Act of 1946 with respect to the Joint Committee on the Economic Report;

Trading with enemy: S. 603, to amend Trading With the Enemy Act, to permit the President to designate organizations as successors in interest to deceased persons who would have been eligible to receive returns under certain sections of the act;

Philippine rehabilitation: S. 1033, to amend further the Philippine Rehabilitation Act of 1946 to authorize the Philippine War Damage Commission to compensate for damages suffered to schools; and

Private bills: Seven private bills: S. 609, 627, 229, 472, 1604, 2125, and 874.

Simple resolutions adopted:

Public works: S. Res. 136, requesting Government departments for reports on public-works projects for which funds are not available for construction, with amendment; and

Private bill: S. Res. 137, referring S. 2185, private bill, to the Court of Claims.

Bills recommitted and postponed: S. 51 was recommitted to the Committee on the Judiciary, and the following six bills were indefinitely postponed: S. 988, 2083, 1530, 1890, 1891, and 1382. Pages 11026–11096

Public Works: During the call of the calendar, S. 2116, advance planning of public works, was perfected by adoption of committee amendments and amendments by Senator Hendrickson, after which the bill was passed over. Pages 11056–11057

Nomination: One promotion in the Navy was received. Page 11104

Committee Meetings

FATS AND OILS

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: In connection with its hearings on fats and oils, the subcommittee received testimony from the following witnesses on the fats and oils situation in this country, with particular reference to exports thereof: Secretary of Commerce Sawyer; Loring Macy, Assistant Director, Office of International Trade; and L. B. Liljenquist, Western States Meat Packers Association. Hearings continue Thursday.

RURAL TELEPHONES

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Continuing its hearings on proposed legislation providing for rural telephones (H. R. 2960 and S. 1254), the committee heard Senator Stennis testify in support of the bills. The following representatives of independent telephone companies appeared in opposition: Lamar S. Stoops, Nappanee, Ind.; W. G. Winters, Hull, Tex.; Warren B. Clay, Hutchinson, Minn.; and Clyde McFarlin, Montezuma, Iowa. Hearings continue tomorrow.

NATIONAL GUARD

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee held hearings on S. 1197, to provide active-duty status for all U. S. property and disbursing officers, and to provide for additional officers of the National Guard on active duty in the National Guard Bureau, receiving testimony in support of the bill from Maj. Gen. Milton Reckord, National Guard Association. John Burns and E. P. Carr, both of the GAO, appeared to testify in opposition to section 1 and in support of section 2 of the bill. Col. Robert M. Lancefield, National Defense Establishment, recommended to the subcommittee, that no action be taken on the bill during this session.

FOREIGN MILITARY AID

Committees on Armed Services and Foreign Relations: Continuing hearings on S. 2388, to provide military assistance to foreign nations, the committees, meeting jointly, received further testimony in support of the proposed legislation from Secretary of Defense Johnson. Hearings continue tomorrow with Mr. Johnson continuing his testimony, and members of the Joint Chiefs of Staff appearing for the first time.

EXPORT-IMPORT BANK

Committee on Banking and Currency: The following witnesses appeared before the committee to testify in support of S. 2197, to amend the Export-Import Bank Act of 1945 to vest in the Bank the power to guarantee U. S. investments abroad: Secretary of Treasury Snyder, appearing as Chairman of the National Advisory Council; James E. Webb, Under Secretary of State; and

Winthrop Aldrich, Chairman of the President's Advisory Committee on Foreign Financial Problems. Hearings continue tomorrow.

COAL INDUSTRY LABOR NEGOTIATIONS

Committee on Banking and Currency: Continuing hearings on the effect of the proposed coal "czar'" appointment and the 3-day workweek in the coal mines on independent producers and consumer prices, the committee received testimony by Judge Charles I. Dawson, attorney of Louisville; J. Atlee Schafer, president, American Retail Coal Assn., Chicago; and H. A. Toulmin, Jr., Dayton, Ohio. Hearings continue tomorrow.

GOVERNMENT CONTRACTS—PROFITS INVESTIGATION

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Subcommittee continued hearings on use of influence in Government Procurement and heard the following witnesses discuss construction of the Tanforan race-track project: E. D. Dupree, Jr., general counsel, Housing Expediter; Benjamin J. Shulman, attorney, Housing Expediter; William Maher, formerly an attorney with the Housing Expediter; Francis D. Flanagan, chief assistant counsel for the subcommittee; and Tighe E. Woods, Housing Expediter. Hearings continue tomorrow.

AVIATION

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Committee met in executive session to consider aviation problems, but made no announcement of action taken.

SUPREME COURT JUSTICE

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee opened hearings on the nomination of Tom C. Clark to be Associate Justice of the Supreme Court. Most of the session was devoted to reading of numerous communications to the committee on the nomination. Carol King, general counsel for American Committee for Protection of Foreign Born, began her testimony in opposition to the appointment. Committee continues tomorrow to receive testimony from witnesses who have requested to be heard.

POSTMASTERS, BRAILLE WRITERS, AND LEGISLATIVE EMPLOYEES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: In executive session, the committee voted to report to the Senate S. 1695, to permit sending of braille writers to or from the blind at same postage rates as provided for their transportation for repair purposes. Twenty-nine postmaster nominations were ordered reported.

Committee referred to subcommittee No. 5 for study and report S. 2396, compensation of employees of Senate and House.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Fifteen public bills, H. R. 5929–5943; four private bills, H. R. 5944–5947; and two resolutions, H. Res. 320 and 321, were introduced.

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Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

Twenty-two private bills, S. 331, 555, 787, 1026, H. R. 715, 5149, 5375, 5539, 5851, 587, 1024, 1106, 2075, 2266, 3769, 3810, 4556, 5353, 4165, 3804, 3405, and 2758 (H. Repts. 1216–1237, respectively);

H. R. 4942, to regulate collection and disbursement of moneys of Seneca Nation of Indians of New York, amended (H. Rept. 1238);

H. R. 5670, authorizing transfer of land in New Mexico for a hospital site (H. Rept. 1239);

H. R. 5319, a private bill (H. Rept. 1240); and

H. Res. 320, providing for disagreeing to Senate amendments to H. R. 4830, making appropriations for foreign aid for fiscal year 1950, and agreeing to a conference requested by Senate (H. Rept. 1241).

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Philippine President: House recessed and heard an address by President Quirino, of the Philippine Republic. Representatives McCormack, Martin, Kee, and Chiperfield were appointed to the committee to escort President Quirino.

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Minimum Wage: Resumed consideration of H. R. 5856, to provide for amending the Fair Labor Standards Act relative to expanding its coverage and to increase the minimum wage to 75 cents per hour, and concluded general debate on the measure. When the Committee of the Whole rose there was pending an amendment to substitute the provisions of H. R. 5894 for the text of H. R. 5856.

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Veto Messages: Received veto messages on the following two bills:

H. R. 5508, amending Reserve retirement provisions of Public Law 810 (80th Cong.) relative to service credit. The message was referred to the Committee on Armed Services and ordered printed as a House document (H. Doc. No. 296).

H. R. 142, to exempt certain persons from the requirement of paying fees for certain census data. The message was referred to the Committee on Post Office and Civil Service and ordered printed as a House document (H. Doc. No. 295).

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Oil Contracts: Disagreed to Senate amendment to House amendment to S. 1647, to eliminate premium payments in the purchase of Government royalty oil under existing contracts entered into pursuant to the act of July 13, 1946; agreed to a conference requested by the Senate; and appointed as conferees Representatives Engle of California, Regan, and Barrett of Wyoming.

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Foreign-Aid Appropriations: Adopted H. Res. 320, providing for disagreeing to Senate amendments to H. R. 4830, making appropriations for foreign aid for fiscal year 1950, and agreeing to a conference requested by the Senate. Representatives Gary, McGrath, Yates, Cannon, Taber, and Wigglesworth were appointed conferees on the part of the House. By a vote of 210 yeas to 164 nays, a motion to instruct the conferees to insist on disagreement to Senate amendment No. 1, continuing the watchdog committee, was agreed to.

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Committee Meetings

B-36 INQUIRY

Committee on Armed Services: Reopened hearings on B-36 bomber investigation, with testimony being received from Robert A. Lovett, wartime Under Secretary of War for Air, and Maj. Gen. Fred H. Smith, Department of the Air Force. General Smith will resume his statement at tomorrow morning's meeting.

HOUSING

Committee on Banking and Currency: Heard testimony of Representatives Curtis and McSweeney on H. R. 5631, omnibus housing bill of 1949. Following this open hearing, the committee considered the bill in executive session, and will continue on the same subject tomorrow morning.

LAND TRANSFER, NAHANT, MASS.

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Subcommittee on Intergovernmental Relations held hearings on H. R. 2816, providing for the conveyance to the town of Nahant, Mass., of the Fort Ruckman Military Reservation. Speaking in favor of the bill were Representatives Lane, author of the bill, and McCormack; Thomas J. Curtin, superintendent of schools and chairman of the Fort Ruckman Committee, Nahant Mass.; and Edward J. Murphy, town counsel. The group also heard the testimony of Max Elliott and Thomas Peyton, representing the General Services Administration.

The subcommittee took no action on the bill in executive session, pending further study.

MARITIME COMMISSION

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Subcommittee on Government Operations held further hearings on the GAO audit report relating to the Maritime Commission in the operation of its ships-subsidy program. Representatives of the General Accounting Office who testified were Ted Westfall and Frank S. Turbett, both of the Corporation Audit Division. Representing the Maritime Commission were James A. DeForce, Aubrey D. Beidelman, George Wills, Col. Hugh D. Butler, and Joseph F. Barnes. Grenville Mellen, Vice Chairman of the Maritime Commission, offered further testimony. The subcommittee resumed further study of this report in a night session.

MILITARY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Held executive session on H. R. 5895, to promote the foreign policy and provide for the defense and general welfare of the United States by furnishing military assistance to foreign nations. The committee will meet again tomorrow in executive session.

RAILROAD COMMUNICATION SYSTEMS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Concluded hearings on H. R. 378, to amend Interstate Commerce Act to require certain common carriers by railroad to install and maintain communications systems and to establish operating regulations and practices to promote safety of employees and travelers on railroads. Final witnesses heard were Commissioner J. Monroe Johnson, of the Interstate Commerce Commission, and J. Carter Fort, vice president and general counsel of the Association of American Railroads.

JUDGES—IMMIGRATION—CLAIMS

Committee on the Judiciary: Ordered reported to the House H. R. 2166, to increase to $15 per day the subsistence expenses allowance for judges while traveling on official business and to allow 7 cents per mile for privately owned automobiles; S. 394, a private bill; and S. 1949, to authorize the lease of the Federal correctional institution at Sandstone, Minn., to the State of Minnesota.

Also ordered reported 9 private immigration bills, 5 House and 4 Senate, and 13 private claims bills of the House.

Tabled S. 566, fixing salaries of Hawaiian judges.

POSTAL RATES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Herlong subcommittee held executive meeting on first- and fourth-class mail and special services, and adjourned subject to the call of the Chair.

FOREIGN-AID APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Rules: Met and ordered reported to the House H. Res. 320, providing for disagreeing to Senate amendments to H. R. 4830, making appropriations

for foreign aid for fiscal year 1950, and agreeing to a conference requested by Senate.

COMMUNISM

Committee on Un-American Activities: Held open hearings in connection with committee's investigation of Communist influences in the United Electrical, Radio, and Machine Workers Union, CIO, in the Pittsburgh area and received testimony from Joe Zack Cornfeder, former Communist Party member. Also testifying on Communist infiltration in their union were Stanley Glass, Charles Copeland, William Peeler, and Blair Seese, officers of Local 601, United Electrical, Radio, and Machine Workers Union. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

VA MEDICAL PAY INCREASE

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: T. O. Kraabel, director, national rehabilitation committee, and Dr. H. D. Shapiro, senior medical consultant, both of the American Legion, testified on H. R. 5324, to increase the rates of compensation of certain employees of the Department of Medicine and Surgery of the Veterans' Administration. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

SOCIAL SECURITY

Committee on Ways and Means: Met for further executive consideration of revisions to the Social Security Act and will continue on this topic tomorrow morning.

Joint Committee Meetings

UNEMPLOYMENT

Joint Committee on the Economic Report: Subcommittee met in executive session and approved plans and procedure for organizing study of unemployment.

COTTON QUOTAS

Conferees on S. 1962, to amend the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938 with respect to cotton marketing quota provisions, tentatively reached a compromise over the differences between the bill as passed by the two Houses, and agreed to file a conference report.

PALISADES PROJECT, IDAHO

Joint Meeting: Subcommittees of the House *Public Lands* and Senate *Interior and Insular Affairs Committees* held hearings on H. R. 5506, authorizing the Palisades Dam and Reservoir project, Idaho, with Robert J. Newell, consultant for Bureau of Reclamation at Boise, Idaho, continuing his testimony in support of the bill, and Charles Whitaker, secretary of Chamber of Commerce, Ruppert, Idaho, appearing for the first time in support of the bill. George Baziel, member of the Minidoka Northside Extension Association, Ruppert, Idaho, appeared in opposition to certain phases of the proposed project. Hearings continue tomorrow.

Wednesday, August 10, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate debated motion to reconsider vote on pricing-practices bill.

House worked on minimum-wage bill.

Senate groups reported measures on study of Federal overseas activities, labor-management relations, and lobbying activities.

Senate

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Bills Introduced: Four bills were introduced, as follows: S. 2416 to S. 2419. Page 11149

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 1695, to permit sending of braille writers to or from the blind at same postage rates as provided for their transportation for repair purposes (S. Rept. 888); and

S. 2072, creating a commission to study the administration of Federal overseas activities, with amendment (S. Rept. 889). Page 11149

Bill Rereferred: Committee on Armed Services was discharged from further consideration of S. 2364, utilization as national cemetery of surplus Army property at Fort Logan, Colo., and it was rereferred to the Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs. Page 11149

Withdrawal of Treaties: Received message from President expressing his desire to withdraw seven treaties which have become obsolete. Page 11148

Oil Contracts: A conference was agreed to on S. 1647, to eliminate premium payments in the purchase of Government royalty oil under existing contracts entered into pursuant to the act of July 13, 1946, and Senators O'Mahoney, Kerr, and Cordon were appointed as conferees. Page 11152

Pricing Practices: Senate debated Senator Long's motion to reconsider the vote by which S. 1008, pricing practices, had been sent to conference. Pages 11152–11190

Confirmations: Thirty-three civilian nominations were confirmed. Page 11192

Nominations: Sixty Marine Corps and one hundred and twenty-two Regular Army appointments were received. Pages 11191–11192

Committee Meetings

RURAL TELEPHONES

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Committee concluded hearings on proposed legislation providing for rural telephones (H. R. 2960 and S. 1254), after receiving testimony in opposition to the bills from Clyde McFarlin, president, Iowa Independent Telephone Association, Montezuma, Iowa; H. S. Dumas, president, Southern Bell Telephone & Telegraph Co., Atlanta; V. E. Colley, president, Southwestern Bell Telephone Co., St. Louis; Robert Mason, chairman, public service securities committee, Investment Bankers Association of America, Chicago; Harold V. Bozell, president, General Telephone Corp., New York; and Russell J. Hopley, president, Northwestern Bell Telephone Co., Omaha, Nebr.

FOREIGN MILITARY AID

Committees on Armed Services and Foreign Relations: General Omar Bradley, Army Chief of Staff, appeared before the committees to testify in support of the enactment of S. 2388, to provide military assistance to foreign nations.

In an afternoon session, the committees met in executive session with members of the Joint Chiefs of Staff to consider the proposed legislation. Hearings continue tomorrow.

EXPORT-IMPORT BANK

Committee on Banking and Currency: Continuing hearings on S. 2197, to amend the Export-Import Bank Act of 1945 to vest in the Bank the power to guarantee U. S. investments abroad, the committee received testimony in support of the legislation from Herbert E. Gaston, Chairman and President of the Board of Directors, Export-Import Bank of Washington, and Roy W. Gifford, chairman, world affairs committee, Detroit Board of Commerce. Norman M. Littell, chairman, foreign economic cooperation committee, American Bar Association, appeared in support of the objectives of the bill but proposed amendments.

COAL INDUSTRY LABOR NEGOTIATIONS

Committee on Banking and Currency: Committee held further hearings on the effect of the proposed coal "czar" appointment and the 3-day workweek in the coal mines on independent producers and consumer prices, with A. W. Dickinson, American Mining Congress; J. D. Rhodes, vice president and general manager, American Association, Inc., Middlesborough, Ky.; and Fred A. Virkus, chairman, Conference of American Small Business Organization, Chicago, discussing the effect of labor upon mining and small business. Hearings continue tomorrow.

D. C. POLICEMEN, FIREMEN, AND EMPLOYEES

Committee on the District of Columbia: Subcommittee held hearings on H. J. Res. 302, to increase the compensation of certain D. C. employees so as to clarify the provisions relating to retired policemen and firemen, with Commissioner Guy Mason and Corporation Counsel Vernon West appearing in opposition to the bill. The following testified in support of the measure: Inspector Lutz and Corporal Nielson, Police Association of D. C.; Capt. C. P. M. Lord and Sergeant R. A. Burton, Retired Police Association; Captain Price, president, Fire Fighters Association; Mr. Jamieson, president, Retired Firemen Association; and Private Givens, Policeman's Association.

Commissioner Mason and Corporation Counsel West testified in support of S. 2365, to provide for placing under Classification Act of 1923 certain positions in the municipal government of the D. C.

OVERSEAS ACTIVITIES, AND EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENTS

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: In executive session, the committee voted to report, with amendment, S. 2072, creating a commission to study the administration of Federal overseas activities, and, without amendment, S. 2018, reimbursement of certain Treasury agencies for work performed for other Government departments.

The committee voted to postpone action temporarily on Reorganization Plan No. 7, transferring the Public Roads Administration.

It agreed to hold hearings on S. 2161, authorizing President to impound certain single items contained in an appropriation bill which he deems not to be in public interest, but the date was not determined.

The committee agreed to defer action on the following bills until next session: S. 193, premium payments on bonds of Government employees; S. 942, principles and policies to govern management of executive branch of the Government; S. 1001, disposition of certain materials to Coast Guard Auxiliary; S. 1692, bonding fees for Federal officials; S. 1997, bonding of Federal officials and employees; S. 1989, to authorize WAA to reimburse certain people in New York for lands at Manhattan Beach used by Coast Guard and Maritime

Commission; S. 2054, authorizing President to determine form of national budget; and S. 2073, making certain changes in laws so that Hoover Commission recommendations may be put into effect.

It also agreed that hearings would be held on amendments in the nature of a substitute for S. 2060, to establish a Department of Welfare with a Secretary of Welfare with Cabinet rank, if Reorganization Plan No. 1, providing for a Department of Welfare, is defeated.

GOVERNMENT CONTRACTS—PROFITS INVESTIGATION

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Subcommittee, continuing its hearings on the use of influence in Government procurement, received further testimony from Tighe E. Woods, Housing Expediter, on construction of the Tanforan race track. Albert W. Lewitt, public-relations consultant in D. C., discussed the construction of the Lido Beach Hotel. Hearings continue tomorrow.

LABELING IMPORTED GOODS, FISH, AND AVIATION

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: In executive session, committee voted to report, without amendment, H. R. 160, to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act, relative to relabeling costs, etc., on imported goods; H. R. 1746, to provide U. S. aid to States in fish restoration and management projects; and S. 2360, to amend the Federal Airport Act to authorize appropriation for projects in the Virgin Islands; and, with amendment, S. 1282, to authorize grants under the Federal Airport Act for minor projects at major airports.

One routine nomination in the Coast Guard was voted reported favorably.

SUPREME COURT JUSTICE

Committee on the Judiciary: Continuing on the nomination of Tom C. Clark to be Associate Justice of the Supreme Court, the committee heard O. John Rogge, Progressive Party, and formerly Assistant Attorney General, and Fowler Harper, National Lawyers Guild, testify in opposition to the nomination. G. W. Lindsay, member of Dallas bar, appeared in support of the nomination. The committee continued the hearings in night session.

SCHOOL AGENCY AID

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: In executive session, subcommittee voted to report without amendment to the full committee H. R. 3829, to provide assistance to certain local school agencies overburdened with war-incurred enrollments where such agencies received similar assistance during any prior fiscal year.

JUVENILE DELINQUENCY

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee held hearings on S. 1815, to alleviate juvenile delinquency in cooperation with the J. Edgar Hoover Foundation, with Drew Pearson, Clinton W. Areson, superintendent of industrial schools of New York City, and Harold Hegstrom, superintendent of the National School for Boys, Washington, D. C., testifying in support of the objectives of the legislation.

INVESTIGATIONS, COMMITTEE EXPENDITURES, SENATE RULES, AND INDIANS

Committee on Rules and Administration: In executive session, the committee voted to report five simple resolutions as follows: With amendment, S. Res. 140, authorizing the Committee on Labor and Public Welfare to investigate the field of labor-management relations and to file a report thereon; and, without amendment, S. Res. 95, to amend Senate Rule 29 to require that committee reports accompanying bills and resolutions show any proposed changes to be made in existing law; S. Res. 123, to increase expenditures authorized for Committee on Public Works; S. Res. 148, to provide an additional $10,000 for Committee on Foreign Relations; S. Res. 149, to provide an additional $10,000 for Committee on Armed Services; and S. Res. 150, to print 2,000 additional copies of the Joint Economic Report on the January 1949 Economic Report of the President.

Committee also voted to report without amendment the following: S. Con. Res. 14, to create a Joint Congressional Committee To Study Presidential Election and Succession, and to make a final report thereon not later than December 31, 1950; H. Con. Res. 62, to create a Joint Committee on Lobbying Activities to make a full and complete investigation of all lobbying activities intended to influence, promote, or retard legislation, and to authorize $50,000 for that purpose; and H. R. 3417, to amend the act concerning cooperation by Smithsonian Institution with State, educational, and scientific organizations in U. S. for continuing ethnological researches on American Indians.

Committee rejected a motion to report S. Con. Res. 11, to create a joint congressional committee to investigate life-insurance industry,

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Eleven public bills, H. R. 5948–5958; four private bills, H. R. 5959–5962; and four resolutions, H. J. Res. 336 and 337, and H. Res. 322 and 323, were introduced. Pages 11195, 11235

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. Res. 322, providing for 1 hour's debate on H. R. 5557, authorizing the Federal Security Administrator to coordinate arrangements for temporary employment of foreign agricultural labor, and making in order the consideration of H. R. 5828 as a substitute for H. R. 5557 (H. Rept. 1242);

S. 259, to discontinue divisions of the court in the district of Kansas (H. Rept. 1243);

H. R. 2166, to increase to $15 per day the subsistence expenses allowance for judges while traveling on official business and to allow 7 cents per mile for privately owned automobiles (H. Rept. 1244); and

S. 1949, to authorize the lease of the Federal correctional institution at Sandstone, Minn., to the State of Minnesota (H. Rept. 1245). Pages 11234–11235

Minimum Wage: By a vote of 225 yeas to 181 nays, the House adopted the Lucas amendment to substitute the provisions of H. R. 5894, as amended, for the text of H. R. 5856, to provide for the amendment of the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938. Final action on the measure was delayed until tomorrow by a request for the reading of the engrossed copy of the bill.

Prior to adoption, the Lucas amendment was amended by replacing the flexible minimum-wage provisions with a 75-cent-per-hour minimum-wage proviso.

Clarifying amendments pertaining to hours worked, sawmill employees, and small daily newspapers were adopted.

Adopted an amendment to bring the fish canning and processing industry workers under the coverage of the act.

Also adopted an amendment reducing from 750 to 500 the number of stations a public telephone exchange must have in order to be exempted from coverage of act. Pages 11196–11228

Bridge Commission: Agreed to Senate amendment to H. J. Res. 208, to amend act creating the Niagara Falls Bridge Commission, approved June 16, 1938, thus clearing the measure for Presidential action. Page 11229

Bills Referred: Fifty-six Senate-passed measures were referred to appropriate committees. Pages 11233–11234

Committee Meetings

B-36 INQUIRY

Committee on Armed Services: Maj. Gen. Fred H. Smith, Jr., Department of the Air Force, continued his testimony at today's B-36 bomber investigation, and will further testify at tomorrow morning's hearings.

HOUSING

Committee on Banking and Currency: Continued executive consideration of H. R. 5631, omnibus housing bill of 1949, and will resume on this measure tomorrow morning.

MILITARY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Continued executive study of H. R. 5895, to promote the foreign policy and provide for the defense and general welfare of the United States by furnishing military assistance to foreign nations. Secretary of State Dean Acheson again appeared before the committee, along with Col. J. H. McCann, of the Central Intelligence Administration, and Robert N. Magill, State Department.

The committee also met in an evening session with Secretary of Defense Louis Johnson and the Joint Chiefs of Staff. Will continue on same legislation tomorrow morning.

ADMINISTRATIVE RESOLUTIONS

Committee on House Administration: Ordered the following resolutions reported to the House:

H. Con. Res. 103, to authorize appropriation of $5,000 for expenses of congressional committee to attend the final national encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic;

H. Res. 306, to authorize appropriation of $15,000 for the Committee on Education and Labor;

H. Res. 318, authorizing the Clerk of the House of Representatives to approve payment of gratuities during the recess of Congress;

H. Res. 315, to authorize employment of additional clerical assistance in the House Disbursing Office;

H. J. Res. 332, establishment of a joint Senate and House recording facility;

H. Res. 288 and 317, relating to the payment of funeral expenses and 6 months' salary to estates of recently deceased House employees; and

A new resolution to be introduced dismissing three contested-election cases (re Representatives Davies of New York, Cunningham, and Feighan).

ALIEN SPECIALISTS—JUVENILE DELINQUENCY

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 1 approved for reporting to the full committee H. R. 3001, to

authorize admission into the United States of aliens possessing special skills. Also heard the following witnesses in support of H. R. 4610, a bill to alleviate juvenile delinquency in cooperation with the J. Edgar Hoover Foundation: Clinton Areson, superintendent, New York State Industrial School; Harold Hegstrom, National Training School for Boys; and Paul Richman, executive director, J. Edgar Hoover Foundation.

CRIMINAL CODE

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 2 heard the following witnesses testify in support of H. R. 5811, amending the Criminal Code with respect to exemption of nonfraudulent transactions under certain circumstances: Representative Walter; Hubert J. Horan, Jr., president, Broad Street Trust, Philadelphia, Pa.; W. S. Johnson, executive vice president, Land Title Bank & Trust Co., Philadelphia, Pa.; George M. Longaker, ex vice president, Security Trust Co., Pottstown, Pa.; Allen March, president, Commercial Trust Co., Wilmington, Del.; A. B. Geary, vice president, Marcus Hook Trust Co., Marcus Hook, Pa.; and Harry J. Alker, Philadelphia, Pa. Speaking in opposition were Judge Norris C. Bakke, associate general counsel; John Russell, counsel; and Allen S. Olmsted, all of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.

LONG-RANGE SHIPPING

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: The Subcommittee on Maritime Affairs agreed on a draft of a bill relating to long-range shipping but did not order it to be reported to the full committee at this time. Adjourned subject to the call of the Chair.

POSTAL RATES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Miller subcommittee met in executive session on second- and third-class mail. Adjourned subject to the call of the Chair.

FORT RENO RESERVATION

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Indian Affairs held hearings on H. R. 4756, setting aside certain lands in Oklahoma known as Fort Reno Military Reservation for Cheyenne-Arapaho Tribes, but took no final action on the legislation. Testimony was received from J. D. Miller, Bureau of Prisons, Department of Justice, who proposed certain amendments, and William Zimmerman, Department of the Interior, and Preston Peden, committee counsel, both of whom commented on the proposed amendments. Adjourned subject to the call of the Chair.

COMMUNISM

Committee on Un-American Activities: Continued hearings relating to Communistic infiltration of the United Electrical, Radio, and Machine Workers Union, CIO, in the Pittsburgh area. Officers of this union, employed in the Westinghouse plant, who testified before the committee today were Thomas J. Fitzpatrick, Wilkinsburg, Pa.; Frank Panzino, Turtle Creek, Pa.; and Robert C. Whisner, Irving, Pa. Hearings will be continued tomorrow morning.

NEGRO VETERANS HOSPITAL

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Received testimony from Dr. Sidney J. Phillips and Portia Washington Pittman, of the Booker T. Washington Memorial, on H. R. 3296, providing for the erection of a Negro veterans hospital at the birthplace of Booker T. Washington. Committee will meet again tomorrow morning for further consideration of the VA medical pay-raise bill.

SOCIAL SECURITY

Committee on Ways and Means: Continued executive discussion of proposed amendments to the Social Security Act. Will continue on this subject tomorrow morning.

Joint Committee Meetings

MONETARY AND FISCAL POLICIES

Joint Committee on the Economic Report: Subcommittee, in executive session, considered and agreed to plans and procedure for the subcommittee in studying monetary credit and fiscal policies.

ATOMIC ENERGY—SCHOOLS

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Subcommittee received testimony from the following witnesses on the question of Federal contributions by the AEC for construction of public-school facilities in the vicinity of Richland, Wash.: Mr. Lindman, State Department of Education for State of Washington; E. S. Black, superintendent of Kennewick schools, Kennewick, Washington; H. L. Alves, Director, Division of School Administration, U. S. Office of Education; AEC Commissioner Henry DeWolf Smyth; Joseph Volpe, AEC deputy general counsel; and Carleton Shugg, AEC deputy general manager.

PALISADES PROJECT, IDAHO

Joint Meeting: Subcommittees of the House *Public Lands* and Senate *Interior and Insular Affairs Committees* continued hearings on H. R. 5506, authorizing the Palisades Dam and Reservoir project, Idaho, with the following witnesses testifying in favor of the bill: C. E. Anderson, president, Upper Snake River Valley Water Users' Protective Union, Idaho Falls, Idaho; Ival V. Goslin, general manager and engineer, Aberdeen-Springfield Canal Co., Aberdeen, Idaho; William E. Hess, American Falls, Idaho; John T. Poole, Menan-Deer Park Farmers Committee, Menan, Idaho; Thomas L. Sutton, mayor of Idaho Falls, Idaho; Lynn Crandall, watermaster on the Snake River, Idaho Falls, Idaho; Charles Welteroth, manager, North Side Canal Co., Jerome, Idaho; R. P. Parry, attorney, Twin Falls, Idaho; and E. W. Rising, representative, Upper Snake Water Development Committee, Washington, D. C. Subcommittees adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

INDEPENDENT OFFICES APPROPRIATIONS

Conferees met in executive session on H. R. 4177, independent offices appropriations for 1950, to reach a compromise over the differences between the two passed versions, but did not conclude their work. They meet again tomorrow.

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HIGHLIGHTS

Senate continued debate on motion to reconsider vote on pricing-practices bill.

Reorganization Plan No. 2 approved by House.

Senate groups agreed to report bills on scrap metal and copper, and long-range farm program.

Bills on Federal pay-classification revision and railroad safety program ordered reported to the House.

Conferees agree on cotton marketing quotas bill.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 11236–11242

Bills Introduced: Five bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 2420 to S. 2424; and S. Res. 153. Page 11238

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. R. 160, to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act, relative to relabeling costs, etc., on imported goods (S. Rept. 890);

H. R. 1746, to provide U. S. aid to States in fish restoration and management projects (S. Rept. 891);

S. 2246, housing amendments of 1949, including liberalization of FHA program; disposition of war housing; loans to cooperatives, veterans, and educational institutions; and interim financing by RFC, with amendments (S. Rept. 892);

Individual views on S. Res. 147, disapproving Reorganization Plan No. 1 (pt. 3 of S. Rept. 851);

S. Res. 148, to provide an additional $10,000 for Committee on Foreign Relations (no written report);

S. Res. 149, to provide an additional $10,000 for Committee on Armed Services (no written report);

S. Res. 150, to print 2,000 additional copies of the Joint Economic Report on the January 1949 Economic Report of the President (no written report); and

S. Res. 123, to increase expenditures authorized for Committee on Public Works (no written report). Pages 11237–11238

Bill Placed on Calendar: H. R. 5856, to amend Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938, was placed on the calendar. Page 11238

Routine Resolutions Adopted: Senate adopted the following routine resolutions: S. Res. 148, to provide an additional $10,000 for Committee on Foreign Relations; S. Res. 149, to provide an additional $10,000 for Committee on Armed Services; S. Res. 150, to print 2,000 additional copies of the Joint Economic Report on the January 1949 Economic Report of the President; S. Res. 123, to increase expenditures authorized for Committee on Public Works; and S. Res. 153, requesting House to return S. 51, to authorize reimbursement for official travel by privately owned autos by officers and employees of U. S. courts at rate of 7 cents per mile. Pages 11238–11239

Pricing Practices: Senate continued debate on Senator Long's motion to reconsider the vote by which S. 1008, pricing practices, had been sent to conference. It was agreed that at 4 p. m. tomorrow, August 12, Senate will vote on this motion, the time between 12 and 4 to be divided equally between proponents and opponents of the motion. Pages 11247–11248, 11251–11286

Nominations: The nominations of Gen. Omar Nelson Bradley to be Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff in the Department of Defense and of Admiral Louis E. Denfeld to be Chief of Naval Operations were received, along with 16 civilian nominations in the Foreign Service. The nomination of one postmaster was withdrawn. Page 11286

Committee Meetings

FATS AND OILS

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Charles Luckman, president, Lever Bros. Co., appeared before the

subcommittee in connection with its hearings on fats and oils to discuss the world-wide situation in fats and oils. Subcommittee meets again August 16.

FARM PROGRAM

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: In executive session, subcommittee agreed to report to the full committee a bill proposing amendments to the long-range farm legislation. The full committee will meet on Saturday to consider this subcommittee report.

FOREIGN MILITARY AID

Committees on Armed Services and Foreign Relations: Continuing hearings on S. 2388, to provide military assistance to foreign nations, the committees received further testimony in support of the bill from Ambassador W. Averell Harriman, U. S. special representative, and Ambassador to Greece Henry F. Grady.

Committees also met in an afternoon executive session on the same subject, with the following officials testifying: Maj. Gen. L. L. Lemnitzer, National Military Establishment, representative on the Foreign Assistance Correlation Committee; Lloyd V. Berkner, special assistant to the Secretary of State, and Chairman of the Foreign Assistance Correlation Committee; and Edward T. Dickinson, ECA. Committees continue in executive session tomorrow.

RFC LOANS

Committee on Banking and Currency: Subcommittee on RFC held hearings on S. 2344, to amend the RFC Act to provide longer maturity period for RFC loans, and authorize directors to determine time limit, with Harrie S. Taylor, president, Oglebay, Norton & Co., Cleveland, and Prof. Edward W. Davis, director of mines experiment station, University of Minnesota, testifying in support of the bill, with particular recommendation for a long term for repayment of RFC loans made for projects such as development of mining of low-grade iron ore. Randolph Phillips, New York City, suggested various amendments to the bill, particularly one which is designed to obtain court of appeals' review of the RFC loan to the B. & O. Railroad. Hearings continue tomorrow.

COAL INDUSTRY LABOR NEGOTIATIONS

Committee on Banking and Currency: Continuing its study on the effect of the proposed coal "czar" appointment and the 3-day workweek in the coal mines on independent producers and consumer prices, the committee heard J. Carlton Fort, vice president and general counsel for the Association of American Railroads, Washington, D. C., discuss the curtailment of business in the transportation of coal and the necessity of laying off employees in this industry; and Col. Shawhan, president, Appalachian Wood Preserving Co., Charleston, W. Va., and James Harless, Gilbert Lumber Co., Gilbert, W. Va., discuss the effect of the 3-day workweek on the lumber industry. Committee continues August 16, 17, and 18.

GOVERNMENT CONTRACTS—PROFITS INVESTIGATION

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Subcommittee, continuing its hearings on use of influence in Government procurement, received testimony from Clarence W. Oehler, St. Louis businessman; Albert J. Gross, Milwaukee; Col. Ralph H. Schaller, Air Force; and George L. Livingstone, Aurantic Corp., Freeport, N. Y. Hearings continue tomorrow.

SCRAP METAL, COPPER, ZINC, FOREIGN-TRADE ZONES, AND VETERANS

Committee on Finance: In executive session, the committee voted to report favorably H. R. 5327, to extend to June 30, 1950, the suspension of the import duty on scrap metal, with an amendment to add to the bill the contents of S. 2022, to repeal the law suspending the import duty on copper.

It considered H. R. 5332, to amend section 3 of the act of June 18, 1934, relating to the establishment of foreign-trade zones, and S. 639, to exempt from import duty zinc in blocks, pigs, or slabs under certain conditions, but deferred action on both measures pending further study of them by the committee.

The committee also agreed to hold hearings on August 18 and 19 on H. R. 5598, omnibus benefits bill for service-connected disabled veterans.

FREIGHT FORWARDERS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Committee held hearings on S. 2113, to amend the Interstate Commerce Act to clarify the relationship of freight forwarders with motor common carriers, and received testimony in support of the bill from James C. Galloway, Capitol Records, Inc., Hollywood, Calif.; Frederick A. Virkus, Conference of American Small Business Organizations, Chicago; and Giles Morrow, Freight Forwarders Institute.

The following testified in opposition: Paul G. Stallings, Butler Bros., Dallas; Marvin Gaut, Northrop Aircraft, Inc., Hawthorne, Calif.; A. P. Graham, Boeing Aircraft Co., Seattle; Fred Tolan, Seattle; E. L. Hart, Atlanta Freight Bureau; A. H. Schwietert, Chicago Association of Commerce and Industry; Herschel A. Hollopeter, Indiana State Chamber of Commerce; Walter K. Cabot, Jr., Johnson & Johnson, New Brunswick, N. J.; C. Lyman Haswell, Allied Stores, Inc., New York; A. C. Deimel, Mullins Manufacturing Corp., Salem, Ohio, and representing Central Territory Traffic Conference; C. J. Fagg, Newark Central Warehouse Co., Inc., Newark, N. J.; Samuel Earnshaw, representing Illinois Territory Industrial Traffic League; John T. Corbett, Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, Washington, D. C.; and Jonas McBride, Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Enginemen, Washington, D. C.

SUPREME COURT JUSTICE

Committee on the Judiciary: Continuing hearings on the nomination of Tom C. Clark to be Associate Justice of the Supreme Court, the committee received testimony in support of the nomination from James J. Laughlin, attorney, Washington.

The following appeared in opposition: Alfred Henly, Washington Cooperative Bookshop; Rev. Clarence Parker, clergyman of Episcopal Church, Chicago; George Kleinman, International Fur and Leather Workers Union, CIO; and Ellis O. Jones, a defendant in a sedition trial in 1944, Washington.

In a session last night the committee heard the following witnesses testify in opposition to the nomination: Bernard Rosen, National Council of Arts, Sciences, and Professions, Baltimore; William L. Patterson, Civil Rights Congress, New York; Elizabeth Gurley Flynn, Communist Party, New York; George P. Murphy, Jr., Negro Veterans of America, Washington; and Marshall White, United Electrical and Machine Workers Local 301, Schenectady, N. Y. Committee meets in executive session tomorrow.

IMMIGRATION—SUBVERSIVE ALIENS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee met in executive session to consider S. 1832, to amend the Immigration Act of 1918 to provide for exclusion and deportation of subversive aliens, but made no announcement of action taken.

LEGISLATIVE EMPLOYEES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: In executive session, subcommittee discussed S. 2396, to increase compensation for employees of Senate and House, but took no final action on the bill.

POSTAL RATES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Committee, in executive session, considered S. 1103, to readjust postal rates, but did not conclude its work on the bill. It will meet again next Tuesday, August 16, to consider the bill further.

CIVIL SERVICE RETIREMENT

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Representative Hobbs appeared before the subcommittee to testify generally in support of H. R. 5465, to amend Civil Service Retirement of 1930 relative to computing annuities of employees paid on a fee basis, but recommended an amendment to protect certain bankruptcy referees who had paid for their annuities.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Seven public bills, H. R. 5963–5969; three private bills, H. R. 5970–5972; and eight resolutions, H. J. Res. 338, H. Con. Res. 120–125, and H. Res. 324, were introduced. Pages 11294–11316

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

(For House Reports 1246–1253, see under "Administrative Resolutions" elsewhere in this Digest);

S. 855, authorizing a program of useful public works for the development of Alaska, amended (H. Rept. 1254);

H. R. 4330, authorizing an appropriation for construction and acquisition of school facilities at Parker Dam power project, amended (H. Rept. 1255);

H. R. 5866, to adjust and define the boundary between Great Smoky Mountains National Park and Cherokee-Pisgah-Nantahala National Forests (H. Rept. 1256);

H. J. Res. 334, to amend certain laws providing for membership and participation by the United States in certain international organizations (H. Rept. 1257);

H. R. 5929, to amend the Army and Air Force Vitalization and Retirement Equalization Act of 1948, relative to Reserve component retirements (H. Rept. 1258); and

Conference report on S. 1962, to amend the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938 with respect to cotton-acreage allotments and marketing quotas (H. Rept. 1259). Pages 11315–11316

Minimum Wage: After defeating a recommittal motion, the House passed, 361 yeas to 35 nays, H. R. 5856, to provide for the amendment of the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938, as amended. (For amendments, see Digest of August 10.) Pages 11287–11288

Cleared for President: The House agreed to Senate amendments to the following bills thus clearing them for Presidential action:

Fish hatchery: H. R. 2740, to establish rearing ponds and a fish hatchery at or near Millen, Ga.

Indian land patent: H. R. 1892, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to issue a patent in fee to certain Indian lands in Lake County, Mont.

Public land—Montana: H. R. 2197, to authorize acquisition by county of Missoula, Mont., of certain lands for public use.

Indians: H. R. 4510, funds for the Klamath County, Oreg., School Board for Indian and non-Indian children without discrimination.

Mississippi Parkway: H. R. 1997, to authorize a survey of a proposed Mississippi River Parkway for the purpose of determining the feasibility of same.

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National Park: Disagreed to Senate amendment to H. R. 2877, to add certain lands to the Big Bend National Park, Tex.; requested a conference with the Senate; and appointed as conferees Representatives Peterson, Murdock, Regan, Crawford, and Lemke.

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Administrative Resolutions: Considered and adopted the following resolutions from the Committee on House Administration:

H. Con. Res. 103, to authorize appropriation of $5,000 for expenses of congressional committee to attend the final national encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic (H. Rept. 1246).

H. Res. 306, to authorize appropriation of $15,000 for the Committee on Education and Labor (H. Rept. 1247).

H. Res. 318, authorizing the Clerk of the House of Representatives to approve payment of death gratuities during the recess of Congress (H. Rept. 1248).

H. J. Res. 332, establishment of a joint Senate and House recording facility (H. Rept. 1249).

H. Res. 315, to authorize employment of additional clerical assistance in the House Disbursing Office (H. Rept. 1250).

H. Res. 288 and 317, relating to the payment of funeral expenses and 6 months' salary to estates of recently deceased House employees (H. Repts. 1251 and 1253, respectively).

H. Res. 324, dismissing three contested-election cases (re Representatives Davies of New York, Cunningham, and Feighan) (H. Rept. 1252). Pages 11291–11294

Civil Service Retirement: Disagreed to Senate amendment to H. R. 2944, to amend Civil Service Retirement Act of 1930 to provide survivorship benefits for widows or widowers of persons retiring under the act; requested a conference with the Senate; and appointed as conferees Representatives Murray of Tennessee, Morrison, and Rees. Page 11294

Reorganization Plan No. 2: H. Res. 301, disapproving Reorganization Plan No. 2, transferring the Bureau of Employment Security from the Federal Security Agency to the U. S. Department of Labor, failed to receive a majority of the authorized vote of the House, so the resolution was not adopted. Pages 11296–11314

Air Force Retirement: Passed H. R. 5929, to amend the Army and Air Force Vitalization and Retirement Equalization Act of 1948, relative to the fixation of time of Reserve component service for retirement purposes.

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Committee Meetings

B-36 INQUIRY

Committee on Armed Services: Continued its investigation of procurement of B-36 bombers. Maj. Gen. Fred H. Smith, Jr., Department of the Air Force, gave further testimony on this study. Also testifying were Robert P. Patterson, former Secretary of War; Gen. George C. Kenney, commanding general of the Air University, Maxwell Field, Ala.; and Lt. Gen. Curtis Le May, of the Strategic Air Command. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

The committee also ordered reported favorably to the House H. R. 5929, to amend the Air Force Retirement Act of 1948, relating to the fixation of time of Reserve component service for retirement purposes.

HOUSING

Committee on Banking and Currency: Held further executive discussions of H. R. 5631, omnibus housing bill of 1949. Will continue on this subject tomorrow morning.

MILITARY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Held another all-day executive study of H. R. 5895, to promote the foreign policy and provide for the defense and general welfare of the United States by furnishing military assistance to foreign nations. Secretary of State Dean Acheson again testified at the morning session of the committee. Will meet again on same subject tomorrow.

RAILROAD COMMUNICATION SYSTEMS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Ordered H. R. 378 reported to the House with amendments. This bill would amend the Interstate Commerce Act to require certain common carriers by railroad to install and maintain communications systems and to establish operating regulations and practices to promote safety of employees and travelers on railroads.

PACIFIC ISLANDS—HOLIDAYS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 4 approved for reporting to the full committee H. R. 5166, amended, extending United States laws relating to civil acts to certain occupied Pacific islands; H. J. Res. 23, proclaiming November 19 as Dedication Day; and H. J. Res. 184, authorizing proclamation of National Children's Dental Health Day.

FEDERAL PAY-CLASSIFICATION REVISION

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Ordered H. R. 5931 reported to the House, with minor perfecting amendments. This bill would establish a standard schedule of rates of basic compensation for certain Federal employees; provide an equitable system for fixing and adjusting the rates of basic compensation of individual employees; and repeal the Classification Act of 1923.

NATIONAL PARKS—ALASKA

Committee on Public Lands: Ordered the following bills reported to the House:

H. R. 5866, to adjust boundary of Great Smoky National Park;

H. R. 5764, amended, granting a right-of-way over certain public lands in Los Angeles, Calif.;

S. 855, to provide for a program of public works in Alaska; and

S. 2391, or H. R. 799 with Senate amendments, authorizing the Weber Basin project in Utah.

Committee also held discussion of national park concessions with C. Girard Davidson, Assistant Secretary of the Interior, speaking on the subject.

PALISADES PROJECT, IDAHO

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation resumed consideration of H. R. 5506, authorizing the Palisades Dam and Reservoir project, Idaho, and received testimony from Frank M. Clinton, assistant regional director, Bureau of Reclamation, Region 1, Boise, Idaho, who outlined the features of the proposed project. Subcommittee will meet at 2:30 p. m. tomorrow for further consideration of this subject.

COMMUNISM

Committee on Un-American Activities: Continued hearings in connection with committee's study of communistic infiltration of the United Electrical, Radio, and Machine Workers Union, CIO, in the Pittsburgh area. Testifying at today's meeting were Thomas Quinn, an official of the union under investigation; Louis Russell, chief investigator of the committee; and Joseph Zack Kornfeder, former Communist Party member. Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

VA MEDICAL PAY INCREASE

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Resumed consideration of H. R. 5324, to increase the rates of compensation of certain employees of the Department of Medicine and Surgery of the Veterans' Administration, and received testimony from Cicero F. Hogan, director of claims, DAV, and George E. Ijams, director of veterans rehabilitation service, VFW. Committee adjourned until next Tuesday morning.

SOCIAL SECURITY

Committee on Ways and Means: Continued executive discussions of the revisions to the Social Security Act and will continue on this subject at tomorrow's meeting.

Joint Committee Meetings

LOW-INCOME FAMILIES

Joint Committee on the Economic Report: Subcommittee, in executive session, approved plans and procedure for organizing study of low-income families.

ATOMIC ENERGY

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Committee met in executive session with officials of the AEC to discuss the Seventh Quarterly Progress Report of the AEC, and also to go into personnel security matters.

FOREIGN-AID APPROPRIATIONS

Conferees on H. R. 4830, foreign-aid appropriations, met in executive session to work out differences between the two passed versions, but did not conclude their work. They meet again tomorrow.

COTTON QUOTAS

Conferees in executive session on S. 1962, to amend the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938 with respect to cotton marketing quota provisions, reached compromise over the differences between the House- and Senate-passed versions and agreed to file a conference report on the bill.

INDEPENDENT OFFICES APPROPRIATIONS

Conferees met again in executive session on H. R. 4177, independent offices appropriations for 1950, to work out differences between the two passed versions, but did not conclude their work. They meet again tomorrow.

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HIGHLIGHTS

Senate rejected motion to reconsider vote on pricing-practices bill, and began consideration of Interior appropriations.

Bills lessening President's work load and creating a Select Committee on Lobbying Activities passed by House.

Senate groups voted to report nominations of Clark to be Associate Justice and McGrath to be Attorney General, and bills on Federal aid to schools, community recreation, and public health.

Senate committee voted to hear General MacArthur on far-eastern aid.

Conferees agreed to file conference report on independent offices appropriations.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 11317–11325

Bills Introduced: Six bills and three resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2425 to S. 2430; S. J. Res. 125 and 126; and S. Res. 154. Page 11323

Bills Reported: One report was made as follows: Minority views on Reorganization Plan No. 2 (pt. 2 of S. Rept. 852). Page 11319

Bills Referred: Three House-passed bills were referred to appropriate committees. Page 11323

Foreign-Aid Appropriations: Senator Wherry was substituted for Senator Reed as conferee on H. R. 4830, foreign-aid appropriations. Page 11325

President's Message: Message from President was received urging approval of Reorganization Plan No. 1, providing for Department of Welfare, and Plan No. 2, to transfer Bureau of Employment Security from FSA to Department of Labor, which was referred to Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments. Pages 11360–11361

Indian Lands: A conference on H. R. 2877, to add certain lands to the Big Bend National Park, Tex., was agreed to and Senators O'Mahoney, Murray, Anderson, Butler, and Millikin were appointed conferees. Page 11325

Alien Deportation: Senate concurred in House amendments to S. Con. Res. 28, favoring the suspension of deportation of certain aliens. Page 11325

Pricing Practices: Senate rejected, by 28 yeas to 49 nays, Senator Long's motion to reconsider vote by which S. 1008, to define the application of the Federal Trade Commission Act and the Clayton Act to certain pricing practices, had been sent to conference. Pages 11317–11318, 11325–11360

Wind Tunnel: S. 1267, to authorize construction of transsonic and supersonic wind-tunnel facilities, was passed without amendment. Pages 11363–11364

Civil Service Retirement: A conference was agreed to on H. R. 2944, to amend the Civil Service Retirement Act of 1930 to provide survivorship benefits for widows or widowers of persons retiring under the act, and Senators Johnston, Frear, and Flanders were appointed as conferees. Page 11325

Interior Appropriations: Senate began consideration of H. R. 3838, Interior appropriations for 1950, adopting several committee amendments. Pending at recess was committee amendment respecting funds for southeastern power marketing. Pages 11362, 11364–11368, 11374

Confirmations: The nominations of Philip M. Kaiser, Virginia, to be Assistant Secretary of Labor, and Marion J. Harron, California, to be judge of U. S. Tax Court, were confirmed. Page 11374

Nominations: The nominations of Carl A. Ilgenfritz, of Pennsylvania, to be Chairman of the Munitions Board, and Gen. Joseph L. Collins to be Chief of Staff, U. S. Army, were received. Page 11374

Committee Meetings

FEDERAL FARM LOANS

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Subcommittee met in executive session with officials of the Farm Credit Administration and the GAO to study H. R. 3699, to amend the Federal Farm Loan Act to authorize full participation by Puerto Rico and Alaska. No final agreement was reached, but the subcommittee agreed to meet again at a later date to consider the bill further.

FOREIGN MILITARY AID—GENERAL MacARTHUR

Committees on Armed Services and Foreign Relations: By vote of 13 to 12, the committees, in executive session, agreed to inform the Secretary of Defense that they would like to hear the views of Gen. Douglas MacArthur and Admiral Badger on the far-eastern aspects of proposed military assistance to foreign nations (S. 2388).

It was also announced after the meeting that further open hearings on the bill are not expected. The committees meet in executive session again next Tuesday.

RFC LOANS

Committee on Banking and Currency: Subcommittee held further hearings on S. 2344, to amend the RFC Act to provide longer maturity period for RFC loans, and authorize directors to determine time limit, with Eugene Meyer, publisher, Washington Post, in general opposition to the bill on basis that there should be enough private capital to supply business needs. Harold P. Bramon, assistant manager, National Savings and Loan League, favored the bill insofar as it would make further funds available to FNMA. Subcommittee adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

GOVERNMENT CONTRACTS—PROFITS INVESTIGATION

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Subcommittee, continuing its study on use of influence in Government procurement, heard members of its staff, William P. Rogers, counsel, and Francis D. Flanagan, assistant counsel, discuss activities in connection with J. V. Hunt & Co. and General Waitt. Hearings continue August 15.

EVERGLADES NATIONAL PARK

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Subcommittee held hearings on H. R. 4029, relative to the enlargement of the Everglades National Park, Fla., receiving testimony in support of the House-passed version of the bill from the following witnesses: Senators Holland and Pepper; Representative Peterson; John D. Pennekamp, Miami Herald; Newton B. Drury, Director, National Park Service; August Burghard, chairman, Florida State Everglades Park Commission; John Baker, president, National Audubon Society; and State Representative Stockdole, member of Florida's House Finance Committee.

The following two witnesses proposed amendments to the bill: J. L. McCord, independent oil operator, Miami; and Ivan Axelson, president, Everglades National Park Land Owners Association.

SUPREME COURT JUSTICE AND ATTORNEY GENERAL

Committee on the Judiciary: In executive session the committee voted to report the nominations of Tom C. Clark to be Associate Justice of the U. S. Supreme Court, and Senator J. Howard McGrath to be Attorney General of the U. S.

IMMIGRATION—SUBVERSIVE ALIENS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee held further hearings on S. 1832, to amend the Immigration Act of 1918 to provide for exclusion and deportation of subversive aliens, following an executive session.

SCHOOLS, COMMUNITY RECREATION, AND PUBLIC HEALTH

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: In executive session, committee voted to report, without amendment, H. R. 3829, to provide assistance to certain local school agencies overburdened with war-incurred enrollments where such agencies received similar assistance during any prior fiscal year, and

S. 250, to authorize the FSA to assist States in the development of community recreation programs, and

With amendments proposed by subcommittee, S. 522, to authorize assistance to States in the development of local public-health units.

It also voted to report, with amendments, S. 2317, authorizing grants to States to survey needs for elementary and secondary school facilities, and authorizing grants for school construction. As approved by the committee the bill would retain survey and emergency construction program, but would delay until a later date the long-term program.

It also voted to report routine nominations in the Public Health Service.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Two public bills, H. R. 5973 and 5974, and eight private bills, H. R. 5975–5982, were introduced. Page 11404

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. R. 5764, to grant to city of Los Angeles, Calif., certain rights-of-way, amended (H. Rept. 1260);

H. R. 5097, administration of Indian livestock loans (H. Rept. 1261); and

Conference report on H. R. 4177, independent offices appropriation bill for fiscal year 1950 (H. Rept. 1262). Page 11404

Alaskan Transportation: Agreed to Senate amendment to H. R. 2634, to allow Canadian vessels to pro-

vide service between certain Alaskan cities and the United States, thus clearing the bill for the President.

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Cotton-Acreage Allotments: Adopted conference report on S. 1962, to amend the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938 with respect to cotton-acreage allotments and marketing quotas. Pages 11376–11385

Lobbying Activities: Adopted H. Res. 298, to create a Select Committee on Lobbying Activities. This committee is authorized and directed to conduct a study and investigation of all lobbying activities intended to influence, encourage, promote, or retard legislation.

Pages 11385–11389

Presidential Work Load: Passed H. R. 5526, to authorize the President to provide for the performance of certain executive functions by other officers of the Government, after adopting a clarifying amendment.

H. Res. 311, the rule for consideration of H. R. 5526, was previously adopted. Pages 11389–11398

Port-au-Prince Bicentennial: Adopted and cleared for the White House S. J. Res. 79, providing for participation of U. S. in International Exposition for the Bicentennial of the Founding of Port-au-Prince, Haiti. H. J. Res. 297, a similar resolution, was tabled.

H. Res. 312, making in order the consideration of H. J. Res. 297, was previously adopted. Pages 11398–11400

Private Bill: Disagreed to Senate amendments to H. R. 1285, a private bill, requested a conference with the Senate, and appointed as conferees Representatives Byrne, Denton, and Jennings. Page 11400

Cleared for President: The House agreed to Senate amendments to the following private bills, thus clearing them for Presidential action: H. R. 1505, 1137, 631, 1604, and 559. Pages 11400–11401

Boy Scouts: Passed H. R. 5342, to authorize the Secretary of Defense to loan certain military equipment to Boy Scouts of America for use at their Second National Jamboree. Page 11401

Committee Meetings

NATIONAL FORESTS

Committee on Agriculture: Ordered H. R. 2419 reported to the House. This bill would provide that 10 percent of funds received from national forests be available for expenditures by the Secretary of Agriculture for recreational purposes within such national forests.

B–36 INQUIRY

Committee on Armed Services: Gen. Hoyt S. Vandenberg, Chief of Staff, U. S. Air Force, and W. Stuart Symington, Secretary of the Air Force, were witnesses at today's hearing on the committee's investigation of procurement of B–36 bombers by the Air Force. Hearings were adjourned until August 22.

HOUSING

Committee on Banking and Currency: Agreed to introduce a clean bill to supersede H. R. 5631, the omnibus housing bill for 1949, and will consider the new bill in executive session on Monday for reporting to the House. Titles II and III were deleted, relating to direct loans to cooperatives, and the disposition of permanent and temporary war housing. All other titles of the bill were amended.

MILITARY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Continued in executive session on drafting of H. R. 5895, to promote the foreign policy and provide for the defense and general welfare of the United States by furnishing military assistance to foreign nations, and will resume on this subject Monday morning.

ADMIRALTY JURISDICTION

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 2 heard the testimony of the following witnesses at today's hearings on H. R. 483 and 4051, to extend time limit within which certain suits in admiralty may be brought against the United States: J. P. Murray, office of Francis D. Harrigan, Boston, Mass.; Jacob Rassner, Louis R. Harlods, and Abraham M. Fisch, attorneys, New York City; George W. Morgan, president, Association of American Ship Owners; Clement C. Rinehart, Maritime Law Association, New York City; Abraham E. Freedman, attorney, Philadelphia, Pa.; Irvin Asofsky, National Maritime Union, CIO, New York City; Leavenworth Colby, Admiralty Section, U. S. Department of Justice; and Paul Page, Jr., Solicitor, U. S. Maritime Commission.

VILLAGE DELIVERY SERVICE

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Karst subcommittee approved for reporting to the full committee S. 1479, to abolish the village delivery service of the Post Office Department and to transfer village carriers to the city delivery service.

PALISADES PROJECT, IDAHO

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation continued hearings on H. R. 5506, authorizing the Palisades Dam and Reservoir project, Idaho, and received testimony from the following witnesses: Frank M. Clinton, assistant regional director, Bureau of Reclamation, Region 1, Boise, Idaho, who concluded his statement on the features of the proposed project; H. R. Stinson, regional counsel, Bureau of Reclamation, Boise, Idaho; Ralph Gale, representing the Idaho Power Co. of Boise, and George R. Corey, vice president, Utah Power & Light Co., both of whom opposed portions of the bill; and Albert M. Day, Director, Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior.

MINERAL LEASES

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Mines and Mining held hearings on H. R. 5312, amending the Mineral Leasing Act by providing for competitive bidding on oil and gas leases. Proponent witnesses heard today were Harold J. Duncan, Chief of Conservation Division, U. S. Geological Survey, Department of the Interior; James A. Lanigan, Assistant Chief Counsel, Bureau of Land Management, Department of the Interior; and Miss Lucille Batts and J. M. Herbert, both of the Forest Service, Department of Agriculture. Hearings will be continued Monday.

SOCIAL SECURITY

Committee on Ways and Means: Further considered revisions to the Social Security Act in executive session and will resume meetings on this subject Monday morning.

Joint Committee Meetings

ARMY CIVIL-FUNCTIONS APPROPRIATIONS

Conferees met in executive session to work out differences between the two passed versions of H. R. 3734, Army civil-functions appropriations for 1950, but did not reach final agreement. Conferees adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

INDEPENDENT OFFICES APPROPRIATIONS

Conferees on H. R. 4177, independent offices appropriations, met in executive session, reaching final agreement over the differences between the two passed versions of the bill and agreed to file a conference report.

As approved by the conferees, the bill would appropriate $7,617,739,361, or $514,232,808 over the House-passed version, and $45,689,962 under the Senate-passed version. As passed by the House, the bill would appropriate $7,103,506,553; as passed by the Senate, the bill would appropriate $7,663,429,323. The budget estimates total $8,951,343,830.

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HIGHLIGHTS

Senate debated Interior appropriations.
House passed 32 miscellaneous bills.
Senate committees acted on military nominations and bills, including military construction, and bills on reclamation, public lands, and Hawaii.
Foreign military assistance bill approved by House committee.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 11406–11416

Bills Introduced: Twelve bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2431 to S. 2442; S. J. Res. 127; and S. Res. 155. Page 11407

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. R. 3417, to amend act concerning cooperation by Smithsonian Institution with State, educational, and scientific organizations in U. S. for continuing ethnological researches on American Indians (S. Rept. 893);

S. Res. 140, to investigate the field of labor-management relations (S. Rept. 894);

H. Con. Res. 62, to create a Joint Committee on Lobbying Activities (S. Rept. 895);

S. 1660, to convey 40 acres of the Hunter Liggett Military Reservation to the Franciscan Fathers of California, with amendments (S. Rept. 896);

S. 2018, reimbursement of certain Treasury agencies for work performed for other Government departments (S. Rept. 897);

H. R. 5327, to extend to June 30, 1950, the suspension of the import duty on scrap metal, with amendments (S. Rept. 898);

S. 2316, construction and equipment of a guided-missile research laboratory building for National Bureau of Standards (S. Rept. 899);

S. 2360, to amend the Federal Airport Act to authorize appropriation for projects in the Virgin Islands (S. Rept. 900);

S. 1282, to authorize grants under the Federal Airport Act for minor projects at major airports, with amendment (S. Rept. 901);

S. 2275, permitting the use for public purposes of certain land in Hot Springs, N. Mex. (S. Rept. 913);

S. 2286, authorizing transfer of land to county of Bernalillo, N. Mex., for a hospital site, with amendment (S. Rept. 914);

H. R. 4584, to provide for disposition of lands on the Cabazon, Augustine, and Torres-Martinez Indian Reservations in California, with amendment (S. Rept. 915);

H. R. 2876, to effect an exchange of certain lands in North Carolina between U. S. and Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians (S. Rept. 917);

H. R. 3881, to provide for use of State course of study in schools operated by the Bureau of Indian Affairs in South Dakota upon petition therefor (S. Rept. 918);

H. R. 5134, to promote development in cooperation with the State of Colorado of the fish, wildlife, and recreational aspects of the Colorado-Big Thompson Federal reclamation project (S. Rept. 919);

S. 2140, authorizing exchange of Navajo land for certain Utah State land (S. Rept. 920);

S. 1829, transfer to the Crow Indian Tribe of Montana the title to certain buffalo, with amendments (S. Rept. 921);

H. R. 5929, to amend the Army and Air Force Vitalization and Retirement Equalization Act of 1948, relative to the fixation of time of Reserve component service for retirement purposes (S. Rept. 922);

S. 2440, authorizing construction of military and naval installations, including military housing, family quarters, and public utilities, as well as special-weapons projects in and outside of continental U. S., and authorizing $634,558,682 therefor (S. Rept. 923);

S. 2441, to amend section 81 of National Defense Act and to provide for additional officers of the National Guard (S. Rept. 924);

S. 522, to authorize assistance to States in the development of local public-health units, with amendments (S. Rept. 925);

The following private bills: S. 73, 481, 1048, 1764, H. R. 1132, 1446, 2091, 2471, 2594, 3665, 5155, and S. 76 (S. Repts. 902–912, and 916 (respectively); and

H. Con. Res. 102, providing for attendance of a joint congressional committee at the eighty-third and final encampment of the G. A. R. (no written report).

Pages 11405–11406

Bills Referred: Two House-passed bills were referred to appropriate committees. Page 11408

Labor-Management Relations: Senate adopted with committee amendment S. Res. 140, to investigate the field of labor-management relations. Page 11406

Indians: Senate passed and cleared for the President H. R. 3417, to amend the act concerning cooperation by Smithsonian Institution with State, educational, and scientific organizations in U. S. for continuing ethnological researches on American Indians. Page 11406

Interior Appropriations: Senate continued consideration of H. R. 3838, Interior appropriations for 1950, but did not reach a vote on any amendment.

Pages 11416–11442, 11446, 11449–11456

Independent Offices Appropriations: Senate adopted conference report on H. R. 4177, independent offices appropriations for 1950, and disposed of amendments in disagreement, with the exception of amendment 74, respecting education and training of certain veterans, which was temporarily laid aside. Pages 11446–11449

Confirmations: Senate confirmed the nominations of Gen. Omar Bradley to be Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff in the Department of Defense, Admiral Louis E. Denfeld to be Chief of Naval Operations, Gen. Joseph L. Collins to be Chief of Staff, U. S. Army, Tracy Voorhees to be Under Secretary of Army, and Archibald S. Alexander to be Assistant Secretary of Army, along with numerous miscellaneous armed-service nominations. Pages 11457–11459

Committee Meetings

CHIEFS OF STAFF, MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, NATIONAL GUARD AND RETIREMENT EQUALIZATION

Committee on Armed Services: In executive session, the committee voted to report favorably the nominations of Gen. Omar Bradley, to be Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff in the Department of Defense; Admiral Louis E. Denfeld, to be Chief of Naval Operations; Gen. Joseph L. Collins, to be Chief of Staff, U. S. Army; Tracy Voorhees, to be Under Secretary of Army; and Archibald S. Alexander, to be Assistant Secretary of Army; together with 1,953 other armed-service nominations.

It voted to introduce and report a new bill (S. 2440) in lieu of S. 1875, military public-works bill, authorizing construction of military and naval installations, including military housing, family quarters, and public utilities, as well as special-weapons projects in and outside of continental U. S. As approved by the committee, the bill would authorize Defense Establishment construction totaling $634,558,682.

It also voted to introduce and report a new bill (S. 2441) in lieu of S. 1197, to provide active-duty status for all U. S. property and disbursing officers, and to provide for additional officers of the National Guard on active duty in the National Guard Bureau. The new bill would embody only section 2 of the old bill.

It voted to report with amendments S. 1660, to convey 40 acres of the Hunter Liggett Military Reservation to the Franciscan Fathers of California; and without amendment H. Con. Res. 102, providing for attendance of a joint congressional committee at the eighty-third and final encampment of the G. A. R.; and H. R. 5929, to amend the Army and Air Force Vitalization and Retirement Equalization Act of 1948, relative to the fixation of time of Reserve component service for retirement purposes.

A subcommittee, consisting of Senators Hunt, Chapman, and Baldwin, was appointed to study and report to the committee on S. 489, to authorize refund to the Florida Keys Aqueduct Commission of the sum advanced for certain water facilities.

RFC—FOREIGN MILITARY AID

Committee on Banking and Currency: Committee heard Harvey J. Gunderson, member, Board of Directors, James L. Dougherty, general counsel, and James Considine, controller, all of the RFC, discuss the policy of using RFC as Government agency to obtain funds from the Treasury for financing such programs as the foreign military aid in advance of congressional appropriations. The chairman announced that any such advance would be outside of the normal statutory limitation on funds of the RFC.

GOVERNMENT CONTRACTS—PROFITS INVESTIGATION

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Subcommittee, continuing its hearings on use of influence in Government procurement, received testimony from Col. John Andrews MacLaughlin, Col. Wm. L. Creasy, and Maj. John F. Gay, all of the Army Chemical Corps. Hearings continue tomorrow.

RECLAMATION, PUBLIC LANDS, HAWAII, AND SUBCOMMITTEES

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: In executive session, committee voted to report with amendment S. 1542, to authorize the withdrawal of public notices in the Yuma reclamation project, and S. 1543, to dispose of withdrawn public tracts too small to be classed as farms under the Reclamation Act; and S. 17, patents for lands to certain settlers in Pyramid Lake Indian Reservation, Nev.

The following were ordered reported favorably without amendment: H. R. 2517, directing the Secretary of Interior to convey certain land to Palm Beach County, Fla.; H. R. 4073, conveyance to New York of certain property in Fort Niagara State Park; H. R. 4208, to add certain surplus land to Petersburg National Military Park, Va.; H. R. 4967, issuance of bonds for public-park improvements in Honolulu, T. H.; H. R. 4968, to authorize flood-control bonds to be issued by city and county of Honolulu, T. H.; H. R. 5459, issuance of municipal bonds by city and county of Honolulu, T. H.; H. R. 5490, to authorize county of Kauai, T. H., to issue public-improvement bonds; and H. R. 2475, a private bill.

The following three subcommittees were appointed: subcommittee consisting of Senators Anderson, *chairman,* Downey, McFarland, Millikin, and Ecton to study S. 1140, flood control of lower Colorado River in Arizona; subcommittee consisting of Senators Downey, *chairman,* Anderson, and Ecton to study H. R. 3275, providing for sale or disposal of certain submarginal lands on Indian reservations in Montana, North Dakota, and South Dakota; and subcommittee consisting of Senators McFarland, *chairman,* Kerr, and Butler to study H. R. 173, amend Hawaiian Organic Act regarding loss of nationality.

PRIVATE BILLS

Committee on the Judiciary: In executive session, the committee voted to report one private immigration bill (H. R. 5155), and 10 private claims bills: S. 73, 481, 1048, 1764, H. R. 1132, 1446, 2091, 2471, 2594, and 3665. Twelve private claims bills were postponed indefinitely: S. J. Res. 50, S. 228, 468, 553, 651, 655, 1119, 1242, 1373, H. R. 660, 1592, and 3726; and 8 were referred to subcommittee for study: S. 764, 765, 766, H. R. 752, 1474, 1493, 1637, and 3598.

The committee also indefinitely postponed consideration of S. 252, overtime-on-overtime pay.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Sixteen public bills, H. R. 5983–5997 and H. R. 6000; nine private bills, H. R. 5998 and 5999 and H. R. 6001–6007; and three resolutions, H. J. Res. 339 and 340, and H. Res. 325, were introduced.

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Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. J. Res. 339, making temporary appropriations for fiscal year 1950, as amended (H. Rept. 1263);

H. R. 5931, revision of Classification Act of 1933, as amended (amended) (H. Rept. 1264); and

H. R. 5895, Foreign Military Assistance Act of 1949 (H. Rept. 1265). Page 11519

Judicial Travel: Complied with request of Senate for return of S. 51, authorizing reimbursement for official travel by privately owned automobiles by officers and employees of U. S. courts at rate of 7 cents per mile.

Pages 11460–11461

Consent Calendar: Passed the following bills on the call of the Consent Calendar:

Cleared for the President:

Correctional institution lease: S. 1949, to authorize the lease of the Federal correctional institution at Sandstone, Minn., to the State of Minnesota.

Civil Service: S. 1977, to extend the time within which legislative employees may come within the purview of the Civil Service Retirement Act.

Sent to the Senate without amendment:

St. Lawrence Hospital: H. J. Res. 230, authorizing the construction and presentation of a hospital to the people of St. Lawrence, Newfoundland, on behalf of the U. S. in recognition of heroic services rendered to officers and men of U. S. Navy.

Buffalo Rapids: H. R. 829, authorizes acceptance of buildings and improvements affected on lands in Buffalo Rapids water conservation and utilization and the canceling of certain indebtedness.

Land exchange: H. R. 2015, to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to effect exchange of certain lands in State of Minnesota.

Summit Lake Indian Reservation: H. R. 4069, to reserve certain public-domain land in Nevada for addition to the Summit Lake Indian Reservation.

Goshute Indian Reservation: H. R. 4231, to reserve certain public-domain land in Utah for addition to the Goshute Indian Reservation.

Indian timber: H. R. 4509, to amend the act of February 25, 1920 (41 Stat. 452), relative to timber on Flathead Indian Reservation.

Hawaii: H. R. 5489, to ratify and confirm Act 251 of the Session Laws of Hawaii, 1949.

Farm loans: H. R. 5512, to amend section 13 of the Federal Farm Loan Act relative to short-term credit.

Surplus property: H. R. 5556, to make available for Indian use certain surplus property at the Wingate Ordnance Depot, N. Mex.

Land exchange: H. R. 5601, to authorize the exchange of certain U. S. lands in the State of Michigan.

Hot Springs, N. Mex.: H. R. 5620, permitting the use, for public purposes, of certain land in Hot Springs, N. Mex.

Land transfer: H. R. 5670, authorizing transfer of land to the county of Bernalillo, N. Mex., for a hospital site.

Land exchange: H. R. 5679, to authorize the transfer of certain land and irrigation field stations to States in which such stations are located.

Forest Service: H. R. 5839, to facilitate and simplify the work of the Forest Service.

Sent to the Senate, amended:

Kansas court: S. 259, to discontinue divisions of the court in the district of Kansas.

Veterans' preference: S. 974, to amend the Veterans' Preference Act of 1944 with respect to certain mothers of veterans.

Maritime school: H. R. 210, to convey a portion of U. S. military reservation at Fort Schuyler, N. Y., to State of New York for use as a maritime school.

Judicial expenses: H. R. 2166, to increase to $15 per day the subsistence expenses allowance for judges while traveling on official business and to allow 7 cents per mile for use of privately owned automobiles.

Puerto Rico: H. R. 4090, to extend the benefits of section 23 of the Bankhead-Jones Act to Puerto Rico.

Patent extensions: H. R. 4692, to extend the term of certain patents of person who served in the armed forces of the U. S. during World War II.

Indian land leases: H. R. 5098, to authorize the leasing of restricted Indian lands for public, religious, educational, recreational, business, and other purposes requiring the grant of long-term leases.

Indian roads: H. R. 5232, to amend Road Act of 1928 (45 Stat. 750) authorizing appropriations for roads on Indian reservations.

Indian lands: H. R. 5390, relative to exchange of Indian lands in Utah. Pages 11463–11470

Los Angeles, Calif.: Passed, after adopting a committee amendment, H. R. 5764, to grant to the city of Los Angeles, Calif., certain rights-of-way. Pages 11471–11474

Indian Livestock Loans: Passed H. R. 5097, relative to administration of Indian livestock loans. Pages 11470–11471

Cooperative Forest Programs: Disagreed to Senate amendments to H. R. 2296, to establish Federal-State cooperation in forestry activities by amending Clarke-McNary Act of 1924, requested a conference with the Senate, and appointed as conferees Representatives Cooley, Poage, Abbitt, Hope, and August H. Andresen. Page 11474

Crop Insurance: Agreed to Senate amendments to H. R. 3825, to amend the Federal Crop Insurance Act, thus clearing the bill for the White House. Pages 11474–11475

Weber Project: Voted to suspend the rules and pass S. 2391, to authorize the construction, operation, and maintenance of the Weber Basin reclamation project. H. R. 799, a similar bill, was subsequently tabled. Pages 11475–11476

Temporary Appropriations: H. J. Res. 339, extending indefinitely the time in which temporary appropriations may be used for certain governmental functions pending approval of regular appropriation bills, failed to receive the required majority necessary to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution. The vote was 176 yeas to 145 nays. Pages 11475–11481

Alaskan Public Works: Voted to suspend the rules and pass S. 855, to authorize a program of useful public works for the development of the Territory of Alaska. Pages 11481–11482

Finland Debt: Voted to suspend the rules and adopt S. J. Res. 3, to provide for use of World War I debt payments by Finland for educational and technical instruction and training in the U. S. for citizens of Finland. H. J. Res. 87, on same subject, was subsequently tabled. Pages 11483–11484

Monopolies: Voted to suspend the rules and pass H. R. 2734, to amend an act entitled "An act to supplement existing laws against unlawful restraints and monopolies and for other purposes," approved October 15, 1914 (38 Stat. 730), relative to acquisition by one commercial corporation of the assets of another corporation. Pages 11484–11507

Iran: Passed H. R. 5731, to discharge a fiduciary obligation to Iran. This bill seeks to remove a legal obstacle to the discharge of an international obligation by the U. S. Page 11507

Independent Offices Appropriation: Adopted conference report on H. R. 4177, the independent offices appropriation bill for 1950. On the 14 amendments in disagreement, the House voted to recede and concur in 6 instances, to recede and concur with an amendment in 8 instances, and sent it back to the Senate. Pages 11508–11513

Bill Referred: S. 1267, to authorize construction of transsonic and supersonic wind-tunnel facilities, passed by the Senate on August 12, was referred to the Committee on Armed Services. Page 11518

Committee Meetings

COMMODITY EXCHANGES—TERMINAL MARKETS

Committee on Agriculture: It was announced today that J. M. Mehl, Administrator of the Commodity Exchange Authority, will discuss with the committee tomorrow the history of and the necessity for the Commodity Exchange Authority, the functions performed by the Authority, and the need for proposed changes; and on Tuesday, August 17, W. C. Crow, Marketing Facilities Branch, PMA, will discuss the need for improvements in terminal markets, etc., and will bring pictures and other information for presentation to the committee.

The above-stated meetings will be of an executive nature and are being held preliminary to investigations which will be made by the House Committee on Agriculture during the recess of Congress.

MARITIME COMMISSION

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: The Subcommittee on Government Operations continued consideration of the GAO audit report relating to the Maritime Commission in the operation of its ships-subsidy program. Officials of the General Accounting Office and the U. S. Maritime Commission were heard today in connection with the subsidy of the American Presidents Lines. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

MILITARY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Voted to report favorably to the House, with amendments, H. R. 5895, to promote foreign policy and provide for defense and general welfare of the United States by furnishing military assistance to foreign nations.

DISTRICT COURTS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 3 approved for reporting to the full committee H. R. 3793, to provide for furnishing of quarters at Brunswick, Ga., for U. S. District Court for Southern District of Georgia; and H. R. 5191, furnishing quarters for the U. S. District Court at Thomasville, Ga.

TEMPORARY POSTAL EMPLOYEES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: McCarthy subcommittee approved for reporting to the full committee S. 1825, promotions for temporary postal employees. Peter J. Connolly, Assistant Solicitor of the Post Office Department, and L. Y. de Zychlinski, special administrative aide to the Fourth Assistant Postmaster General, explained a favorable report on the bill by the Department. Ross Messer, legislative representative, National Association of Post Office Maintenance Employees, also testified in favor of the bill.

MINERAL LEASES

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Mines and Mining continued consideration of H. R. 1265 and H. R. 5312, amending the Mineral Leasing Act by providing for competitive bidding on oil and gas leases. Representative Williams, of Mississippi, testified in favor of the legislation; and speaking in opposition were Leland Richardson, Baton Rouge, La., representing a group of independent operators in Louisiana and Mississippi; I. P. Larue of Jackson, Miss., an independent oil operator; John R. Moran, of Denver, Colo., representing independent oil operators; and N. R. McArthur, Cody, Wyo., representing the Husky Refining Co. Hearings will be continued tomorrow morning.

TEMPORARY APPROPRIATIONS—KOREAN AID

Committee on Rules: Considered, but took no action on, a rule for floor debate, on H. J. Res. 339, making temporary appropriations for fiscal year 1950, for certain governmental operations. Representative Cannon testified in favor and Representative Taber spoke in opposition to the granting of the rule.

Also met informally on H. R. 5330, Korean aid bill, receiving testimony from Edgar Johnson, Director,

Division of Korean Program, ECA, and Acting Administrator William C. Foster of the ECA.

Committee will meet again tomorrow at 11 a. m.

SOCIAL SECURITY

Committee on Ways and Means: Chairman Doughton announced today that the work has been concluded on amendments to titles I, IV, and X of the Social Security Act, relating to public assistance for needy persons over age 65, dependent children, and the blind, and to add a new category of needy persons who are permanently and totally disabled. Amendments would also be made in title V, relating to child welfare. Mr. Doughton stated that the committee had agreed that the public-assistance changes should be combined with the amendments relating to old-age and survivors insurance for introduction by him as a new committee bill, which was introduced today as H. R. 6000. Further executive meeting is scheduled for tomorrow.

Joint Committee Meetings

OIL AND PUBLIC LANDS

Conferees met on the following bills and agreed to file conference reports:

S. 1647, to eliminate premium payments in the purchase of Government royalty oil under existing contracts entered into pursuant to the act of July 13, 1946;

H. R. 2877, to add certain lands to the Big Bend National Park, Tex.; and

H. R. 2859, to authorize the sale of public lands in Alaska.

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HIGHLIGHTS

Senate disapproved President's Reorganization Plan No. 1, and cleared cotton quotas bill for President.

House passed 41 private bills.

Social-security and omnibus housing bills approved by House committees; foreign military assistance program cleared for House debate by Rules Committee.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 11563–11565

Bills Introduced: Three bills were introduced, as follows: S. 2443, S. 2444, and S. 2445. Page 11563

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. R. 5465, to amend Civil Service Retirement Act of 1930 relative to computing annuities of employees paid on a fee basis (S. Rept. 926);

S. Res. 155, disapproving Reorganization Plan No. 7 (S. Rept. 927); and

S. 1390, land easements for San Francisco Bay Bridge, with amendments (S. Rept. 928). Page 11563

Bills Placed on Calendar: The following House-passed bills were placed on the calendar: H. R. 2166, to increase to $15 per day the subsistence expenses allowance for judges while traveling on official business and to allow 7 cents per mile for use of privately owned automobiles; H. R. 5620, permitting the use, for public purposes, of certain land in Hot Springs, N. Mex.; and H. R. 5670, authorizing transfer of land to the county of Bernalillo, N. Mex., for a hospital site. Page 11564

Bills Referred: Twenty-two House-passed bills were referred to appropriate committees. Pages 11563–11564

Cotton Quotas: Senate adopted conference report on S. 1962, to amend the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938 with respect to cotton marketing quota provisions, clearing the bill for the President. Page 11565

Forestry Activities: A conference on H. R. 2296, to establish Federal-State cooperation in forestry activities by amending the Clarke-McNary Act of 1924, was agreed to and Senators Ellender, Holland, Gillette, Aiken, and Thye were appointed as conferees. Page 11565

Reorganization Plan 1: S. Res. 147, to disapprove Reorganization Plan No. 1, providing for a Department of Welfare, was adopted by 60 yeas to 32 nays. Pages 11520–11563

Reorganization Plans 2 and 7: It was unanimously agreed that vote would be had at 5 p. m. Wednesday, August 17, on S. Res. 151, to disapprove Reorganization Plan No. 2, transferring Bureau of Employment Security, the time between 11 a. m. and 5 p. m. to be divided equally between proponents and opponents of the resolution. One hour following the conclusion of vote of S. Res. 151, Senate will proceed to vote on S. Res. 155, to disapprove Reorganization Plan No. 7, transferring Public Roads Administration, the hour's debate to be divided equally between proponents and opponents. Pages 11566–11567

Committee Meetings

FATS AND OILS—SYNTHETIC DETERGENTS

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: George L. Parkhurst, president, Oronite Chemical Co., San Francisco, appeared before the subcommittee in connection with its hearings on fats and oils to discuss the use of synthetic detergents as cleansers. Hearings continue August 23.

FOREIGN MILITARY AID

Committees on Armed Services and Foreign Relations: Following an executive session, it was announced that the committees had agreed to hold further open hearings on S. 2388, to provide military assistance to foreign nations. Senator Connally read to the committees excerpts from statement by General MacArthur explaining his reasons for not returning to testify. Committees meet again tomorrow.

NATIONAL BANKS

Committee on Banking and Currency: Subcommittee received testimony in support of the enactment of H. R. 1161, providing for the conversion, merger, or consolidation of national banks with State banks, from the following four witnesses: Representative Crawford and Eugene L. Gary, Michigan National Bank, appeared in support of the bill but recommended the adoption of the Cain amendments to the bill, which deal with the retention of branches by national banks acquiring State bank or other national banks.

T. J. Lynch, general counsel, Treasury Department, and D. Emmert Brumbaugh, secretary of banking, State of Pennsylvania, and representing National Association of State Bank Supervisors, and the ABA, appeared in support of the bill, but against the Cain amendments.

COAL INDUSTRY LABOR NEGOTIATIONS

Committee on Banking and Currency: Committee held further hearings on the effect of the proposed coal "czar" appointment and the 3-day workweek in the coal mines on independent producers and consumer prices, with Charles Oliphant, general counsel, Bureau of Internal Revenue, discussing the general features of taxability of employees' welfare fund, and Donald R. Richberg, attorney, and Willford I. King, economist, Sumner Gerard Committee for Constitutional Government, Inc., New York, discussing the dangers of monopolistic practices whether indulged in by unions or business. Hearings continue tomorrow.

GOVERNMENT CONTRACTS—PROFITS INVESTIGATION

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Continuing its investigation of use of influence in Government procurement, the subcommittee heard the following witnesses regarding investigation of the activities of General Waitt: Lt. Col. Robert L. May, Personnel Division of the GSC, Lt. Col. Roy T. Evans, Supply Division of the Quartermaster Corps, and Gen. Alden H. Waitt. Hearings continue tomorrow.

BUREAU OF RECLAMATION INVESTIGATION

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Senator Downey appeared before the committee to testify on the administration of the Bureau of Reclamation in connection with the committee's investigation of that Bureau. Hearings continue tomorrow.

LOCOMOTIVE INSPECTION—NOMINATION

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Committee held hearings on the nomination of James E. Friend, to be Assistant Director of Locomotive Inspection of ICC, with the following testifying in support of the nomination: Mr. Friend, in behalf of himself; Maywood Boggs, International Brotherhood of Boilermakers, Iron Shipbuilders, and Helpers of America; and Elmer E. Walker, who read a statement in behalf of A. J. Hayes, president, International Association of Machinists. Hearings continue August 23.

INLAND WATERWAYS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee met in executive session to consider S. 211, to amend the act to create the Inland Waterways Corporation, to increase the capital stock and authorize appropriation of an additional $18,000,000 for paying for such subscription, but did not take any final action on the measure. It agreed to meet again Thursday to hear Capt. A. C. Ingersoll, president, Inland Waterways.

PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: In executive session, subcommittee agreed to report to the full committee without amendment S. 1706, to authorize Public Health Service to admit to its hospitals persons committed by State courts who are beneficiaries of its Service or narcotic addicts; S. 2227, to admit to St. Elizabeths Hospital persons who are residents or domiciled in the Virgin Islands; and S. 2228, to amend the Public Health Service Act with respect to venereal disease rapid-treatment centers.

RAILWAY SWITCHING SERVICE, AND GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: In executive session, committee voted to report with amendments S. 1596, to authorize the Postmaster General to enter into special agreements for certain switching service by railway common carriers, and S. 85, to provide maternity leave for Government employees; and without amendment H. R. 5465, to amend Civil Service Retirement Act of 1930 relative to computing annuities of employees paid on a fee basis, and S. Res. 16, to investigate hospitalization for Federal Government employees and to authorize $10,000 for that purpose.

Committee also voted to report favorably 26 postmaster nominations

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Six public bills, H. R. 6008–6013; eight private bills, H. R. 6014–6021; and two resolutions, H. Res. 326 and 327, were introduced. Pages 11592–11593

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. R. 6008, making supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1950 (H. Rept. 1266);

H. Res. 293, authorizing the Committee on Ways and Means to conduct studies and investigation of matters within its jurisdiction (H. Rept. 1267);

H. Res. 327, providing for consideration of, waiving of points of order against, and 1 day of general debate on, H. R. 5895, the Foreign Military Assistance Act of 1949 (H. Rept. 1268); and

H. R. 5987, omnibus housing bill (H. Rept. 1269).

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Free Importation: Agreed to Senate amendments to H. R. 5086, to accord privileges of free importation to members of the armed forces of other nations, thus clearing the bill for the White House. Page 11576

Private Calendar: On the call of the Private Calendar the following bills were passed:

Cleared for the President: S. 555, 622, 787, 1026, and 2170 in lieu of H. R. 4095.

Sent to the Senate without amendment: H. J. Res. 281, H. R. 1485, 1600, 2075, 3804, 3810, 4165, 4556, 4563, 4777, 4889, 5353, 5375, 5539, 5777, and 5851.

Sent to the Senate, amended: S. 331, 520, 1361, H. R. 587, 715, 1024, 1106, 1484, 2266, 2758, 3081, 3405, 3498, 3499, 3769, 3863, 3864, 5149, 5319, and 5582.

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National Park: Agreed to Senate amendment to H. R. 3440, to add certain lands to the Rocky Mountain National Park, Colo., thereby clearing the bill for Presidential action. Page 11583

Pricing Practices: Insisted on its amendments to S. 1008, to define the application of the Federal Trade Commission Act and the Clayton Act to certain pricing practices, agreed to a conference requested by the Senate, and appointed as conferees Representatives Celler, Walter, Willis, Michener, and Case of New Jersey.

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Committee Meetings

COMMODITY EXCHANGE AUTHORITY

Committee on Agriculture: Met in executive session for preliminary consideration of proposed amendments to the Commodity Exchange Act as the first step in a study of the major commodity exchanges which will be made by the committee during the recess of Congress.

Joseph M. Mehl, Administrator of the Commodity Exchange Authority, Department of Agriculture, reviewed the history of commodity exchange legislation and explained the proposals for amending the Commodity Exchange Act which have been made by the Department of Agriculture.

It was also announced that a subcommittee will be appointed within the next few days to arrange for an on-the-spot survey and study of the major commodity markets. Committee meets again tomorrow.

HOUSING

Committee on Banking and Currency: Voted 15 to 6 to report to the House H. R. 5987, omnibus housing bill, making revisions to the National Housing Act of 1949.

HOME RULE

Committee on the District of Columbia: The Judiciary Subcommittee tabled S. 1527, to provide home rule for the District of Columbia. This Senate-approved measure was sponsored by Senator Kefauver.

MARITIME COMMISSION

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Subcommittee on Government Operations continued day and night hearings on GAO audit report relating to the Maritime Commission in the operation of its ships-subsidy program and considered costs of

certain features in the construction of ships incorporated for national defense purposes. Hearings will be resumed tomorrow.

HEALTH UNITS—SCHOOL HEALTH SERVICES

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Held executive consideration of H. R. 5865, local public health units, and a subcommittee print of S. 1411, school health services, and will meet again tomorrow on the same subject.

LOGAN AIRPORT, BOSTON

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee on Transportation approved for reporting to the entire committee H. J. Res. 338, authorizing development and improvement of Logan International Airport at Boston, Mass. Witnesses testifying on this legislation were Representative Heselton; Joseph F. Feeney, Washington secretary to Representative McCormack, author of the bill; Robert Cook, executive assistant, Office of Airports, CAA; John M. Hunter, Jr., Chief, Airport Division, Office of General Counsel, CAA; Crocker Snow, Director, Massachusetts Aeronautical Commission, Logan International Airport; and George F. Hines, special representative for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Washington, D. C.

ADMIRALTY—BANKRUPTCY—ALIENS—COURTS

Committee on the Judiciary: Ordered the following bills reported to the House:

H. R. 483, to extend admiralty jurisdiction in certain cases;

S. 88, amended, relating to section 60a of the Bankruptcy Act;

H. R. 3001, amended, to authorize the admission into the United States of certain aliens possessing special skills;

H. R. 5191, providing for the furnishing of quarters for the U. S. district court at Thomasville, Ga.;

H. R. 3793, providing for the furnishing of quarters for the U. S. district court at Brunswick, Ga.;

H. R. 5166, amended, extending the laws of the United States relating to civil acts or offenses consummated or committed on the high seas on board a vessel belonging to the U. S. to certain Pacific Islands; and

Five private immigration bills (3 House and 2 Senate) and two private claims bills (Senate).

MINERAL LEASES

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Mines and Mining continued hearings on H. R. 1265 and 5312, providing for competitive bidding on oil and gas leases on acquired lands where competitive interest is shown. Opposition witnesses heard on this legislation were Tip Ray, Canton, Miss., independent oil and gas operator; R. D. Townsend, Casper, Wyo., chairman of the public lands committee, Rocky Mountain Oil and Gas Association; Guy H. Woodward, Tulsa, Okla., counsel, Mid-Continent Oil and Gas Association; Wesley E. Disney, representing Western Oil and Gas Association, Los Angeles, Calif.; and Peter Q. Nyce, representing the public lands committee of the Interstate Oil Compact Commission.

No action was taken on the subject and the meeting adjourned subject to the call of the Chair.

FOREIGN MILITARY ASSISTANCE—INVESTIGATORY RESOLUTION—APPROPRIATION—POSTAL EMPLOYEES—PUBLIC WORKS PLANNING

Committee on Rules: Granted a rule (H. Res. 327), providing for a full day of general debate, and waiving points of order against H. R. 5895, foreign military assistance bill. Heard in favor of the rule were Representatives Kee, Ribicoff, Javits, Lodge, and Douglas. Representative Vorys requested a rule providing for 8 hours' general debate, and Representative Richards explained a minority report written on the aid program.

Also ordered reported to the House H. Res. 293, authorizing the Committee on Ways and Means to make certain jurisdictional studies and investigations. Representatives Doughton and Lynch spoke on behalf of the resolution.

Considered, but took no action on, rules for H. J. Res. 339, making temporary appropriations for certain functions for fiscal 1950; and H. R. 4495, relating to pay and leave regulations for postal employees. The following Members of the House spoke in favor of a rule for the postal pay bill: Representatives Miller of California, Corbett, Buckley of Illinois, and Crook.

A motion was denied requesting reconsideration of a rule for H. R. 5472, rivers and harbors omnibus bill. Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

VA MEDICAL PAY INCREASE

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Resumed hearings on H. R. 5324, to increase the rates of compensation of certain employees of the Department of Medicine and Surgery in the Veterans' Administration. The following VA officials testified: Donald Knapp, Office of the Assistant Administrator for Legislation, and Dr. H. A. Press, Director of Management Section, VA Medical Service. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

SOCIAL SECURITY

Committee on Ways and Means: Voted 22 to 3 to report H. R. 6000 favorably to the House. This bill, known

as the Social Security Act of 1949, contains the proposed amendments and revisions to the present act.

Joint Committee Meetings

ARMY CIVIL-FUNCTIONS APPROPRIATIONS

Conferees on H. R. 3734, Army civil-functions appropriations for 1950, met in executive session to work out differences between the House- and Senate-passed versions, but did not reach agreement to file conference report. Conferees adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

INDEPENDENT OFFICES APPROPRIATIONS

Conferees on H. R. 4177, independent offices appropriations for 1950, met in executive session with Senator Taft and officials of the Veterans' Administration to reach compromise over amendment 74, respecting education and training of certain veterans.

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HIGHLIGHTS

Both Houses cleared temporary appropriation bill for President.
Senate approved President's Reorganization Plans 2 and 7.
House debated military assistance bill.
Senate committees voted to report temporary appropriations and Air Force composition bills.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 11593–11597

Bills Introduced: Eight bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 2445 to S. 2452; and S. J. Res. 128. Page 11595

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. R. 3829, to provide assistance to certain local school agencies overburdened with war-incurred enrollments where such agencies received similar assistance during any prior fiscal year (S. Rept. 929);

H. R. 2517, directing the Secretary of Interior to convey certain land to Palm Beach County, Fla. (S. Rept. 930);

H. R. 4073, conveyance to New York of certain property in Fort Niagara State Park (S. Rept. 931);

H. R. 4208, to add certain surplus land to Petersburg National Military Park, Va. (S. Rept. 932); and

H. J. Res. 339, making temporary appropriations beyond August 15 until September 15, 1949, for fiscal year 1950 for various governmental agencies until certain pending regular appropriation bills can be enacted (no written report). Pages 11595, 11625

Bills Referred: Thirty-four House-passed bills were referred to appropriate committees. Pages 11596, 11621

Arkansas River: Review of report of Chief of Engineers on Arkansas River and its tributaries was ordered printed as S. Doc. 107. Page 11596

Veterans Preference: Senate concurred in House amendment to S. 974, to amend the Veterans Preference Act of 1944 with respect to certain mothers of veterans, clearing the bill for the President. Page 11597

Conference Reports Adopted: Senate adopted conference reports on the following bills: H. R. 2877, to add certain lands to the Big Bend National Park, Tex.; H. R. 2859, to authorize the sale of public lands in Alaska; and S. 1647, to eliminate premium payments in the purchase of Government royalty oil under existing contracts entered into pursuant to the act of July 13, 1946. Pages 11597–11598

Temporary Appropriations: H. J. Res. 339, making temporary appropriations beyond August 15, until September 15, 1949, for fiscal year 1950 for various governmental agencies until certain pending regular appropriation bills can be enacted, was passed without amendment, clearing the bill for the President. Page 11625

Reorganization Plan 2: S. Res. 151, to disapprove Reorganization Plan No. 2, transferring Bureau of Employment Security, was rejected by 32 yeas to 57 nays. Pages 11598–11626

Reorganization Plan 7: S. Res. 155, to disapprove Reorganization Plan No. 7, transferring Public Roads Administration, was rejected 40 yeas to 47 nays. Pages 11626–11631

Private Bills: The following two private bills were cleared for the President's signature following concurrence by Senate in House amendments: S. 520 and S. 1361. Page 11597

Independent Offices Appropriations: Senator Douglas entered motion to reconsider vote by which Senate agreed to House amendment to Senate amendment 46 (regarding Housing Expediter) to H. R. 4177, independent offices appropriations for 1950. Pages 11631–11632

Supreme Court Nomination: The nomination of Tom C. Clark to be Associate Justice of the U. S. Supreme Court was made the pending executive business with agreement to vote on the confirmation at 3:30 p. m. tomorrow, August 18, the time between noon and 3:30 p. m. to be divided equally between proponents and opponents. Page 11648

Treaties Ratified: The following treaties were ratified: The Convention on the International Recognition of Rights in Aircraft (Executive E); The International Convention for the Northwest Atlantic Fisheries (Executive N); Convention Between the U. S. and Mexico for Establishment of an International Commission for the Scientific Investigation of Tuna (Executive K); Convention Between the United States and Costa Rica for the Establishment of an Inter-American Tropical Tuna Commission (Executive P); and Consular Convention Between the U. S. and the Government of Costa Rica (Executive D—80th). Pages 11632–11647

Confirmations: Sixty miscellaneous civilian nominations were confirmed. Page 11649

Nominations: The nomination of Lt. Gen. Benjamin Wiley Chidlaw to be Commanding General, Air Matériel Command, U. S. Air Force, was received, along with 13 Navy nominations. Pages 11648–11649

Committee Meetings

TEMPORARY APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: In executive session, the committee voted to report without amendment H. J. Res. 339, making temporary appropriations beyond August 15, until September 15, 1949, for fiscal year 1950 for various governmental agencies until certain pending regular appropriation bills can be enacted.

AIR FORCE COMPOSITION

Committee on Armed Services: In executive session, the committee voted to report with amendments H. R. 1437, the Army-Air Force composition bill. As approved by the committee it would revise certain existing Army authorizations and give the Air Force an independent legislative base. While the bill did not specifically spell out the 70-air group organization, it did show clearly, by the number of personnel and planes authorized as well as in the committee report accompanying the bill, that the 70-air group program was the approved planning base for the Air Force. Most of the amendments were technical and clarifying, with the exception of the sharp curtailment in the House-approved increase in the number of Regular officers.

FOREIGN MILITARY AID

Committees on Armed Services and Foreign Relations: Norman Thomas, Socialist Party, testified before the committees on S. 2388, to provide military assistance to foreign nations, opposing certain parts of the bill. Hearings continue tomorrow.

COAL INDUSTRY LABOR NEGOTIATIONS

Committee on Banking and Currency: Continuing hearings on the effect of the proposed coal "czar" appointment and the 3-day workweek in the coal mines on independent producers and consumer prices, the committee heard J. T. Van Sickle, professor of economics, Wabash College, Crawfordsville, Ind., discuss labor monopoly in general; Hoyt P. Steele, executive vice president, Benjamin Electrical Manufacturing Co., and representing the National Electrical Manufacturing Association, Des Plaines, Ill., elaborate on the effect of labor monopoly upon electrical manufacturing industry; and Judge J. Raymond Tiffany, general counsel, National Small Businessmen's Association, relate the effect of labor monopoly on small business organizations. Hearings continue tomorrow.

GOVERNMENT CONTRACTS—PROFITS INVESTIGATION

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Continuing its hearings on the use of influence in Government procurement, the subcommittee heard the following witnesses in connection with the transactions of the Allied Molasses Co. involving Gen. H. H. Vaughan and John F. Maragon: Milton R. Polland, insurance business, Milwaukee; Harold R. Ross, president, Allied Molasses Co., Perth Amboy, N. J.; Herbert C. Hathorn, former Alternate Administrator, Sugar Branch of Department of Agriculture; and Joseph T. Elvove, Assistant Director, Sugar Branch, Department of Agriculture. Hearings continue August 23.

BUREAU OF RECLAMATION INVESTIGATION

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Senator Downey concluded his testimony before the committee on administration of the Bureau of Reclamation in connection with the committee's investigation of that Bureau. Committee adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

FUR LABELING

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee held further hearings on H. R. 5187, to protect consumers and others against misbranding, false

advertising, and false invoicing of fur products, with Jack Meadows, American Fur Merchants Association, New York; Isadore Bergner, Fur Brokers Association of America, New York; and Paul W. Majerus, executive secretary, Associated Fur Industries of Chicago, Inc., appearing in opposition to the bill. Subcommittee adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

DISPLACED PERSONS

Committee on the Judiciary: Representative Celler appeared before the subcommittee to testify on proposed displaced persons legislation. Subcommittee adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

PRIVATE BILL

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee held hearings on H. R. 746, a private bill.

JUVENILE DELINQUENCY

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: In executive session, the subcommittee agreed to report to the full committee, after preparation of amendments to be offered to the bill, S. 1815, to alleviate juvenile delinquency in cooperation with the J. Edgar Hoover Foundation. The subcommittee hopes to present the bill to the full committee on Friday.

VETERANS

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee, in executive session, considered S. 1150, establishing a procedure by which the Veterans' Administrator may assure full educational opportunities commensurate with tuition charged, and S. 1575, to establish clearly the right of the Veterans' Administration to negotiate tuition rates charged by the schools accredited under the GI bill, but did not conclude its work on the two bills.

GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES—SICK AND ANNUAL LEAVE

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Subcommittee, in executive session, voted to report to the full committee without amendment H. R. 2619, to extend the benefits of the annual- and sick-leave laws to part-time employees on regular tours of duty, also to validate payments heretofore made for leave on account of services of such employees.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Sixteen public bills, H. R. 6022–6037; nine private bills, H. R. 6038–6046; and three resolutions, H. Res. 328–330, were introduced.

Pages 11693–11694

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

Three private bills, S. 377, 1834, and H. R. 2087 (H. Repts. 1270–1272, respectively);

S. 934, to provide for the detention, care, and treatment of persons of unsound mind in certain Federal reservations in Virginia and Maryland (H. Rept. 1273);

H. J. Res. 338, relating to development and improvement of Logan International Airport at Boston, Mass., during fiscal year 1950 (H. Rept. 1274);

Conference report on H. R. 2859, to authorize sale of public lands in Alaska (H. Rept. 1275);

Conference report on H. R. 2877, to authorize the addition of certain lands to the Big Bend National Park in Texas (H. Rept. 1276); and

Conference report on S. 1647, to eliminate premium payments in purchase of Government royalty oil under existing contracts entered into pursuant to act of July 13, 1946 (60 Stat. 533) (H. Rept. 1277). Page 11693

Ways and Means: Adopted H. Res. 293, authorizing the Committee on Ways and Means to conduct studies and investigations of matters within its jurisdiction. This resolution grants the power of subpena to the Committee on Ways and Means. Adopted a committee amendment authorizing the committee to function outside of the continental limits of the U. S.

Pages 11650–11651

Temporary Appropriations: By a vote of 213 yeas to 114 nays the House adopted H. J. Res. 339, extending the time in which temporary appropriations may be used for certain governmental functions pending approval of regular appropriation bills. A committee amendment limiting the extension to September 15, 1949, which was subsequently amended to prohibit the further use of funds under paragraph (b) of Public Law 154 (81st Cong.), was adopted. Pages 11651–11657

Military Assistance Program: By a vote of 275 yeas to 47 nays the House adopted H. Res. 327, providing for consideration of, waiving points of order against, and 1 day of general debate on H. R. 5895, to promote the foreign policy and provide for the defense and general welfare of the United States by furnishing military assistance to foreign nations. After debating the measure for 3½ hours the House postponed further action until tomorrow. Pages 11658–11691

Bill Referred: The bill, S. 1232, to increase the equipment maintenance allowance payable to rural carriers, was referred to the Committee on Post Office and Civil Service. Page 11693

Committee Meetings

TERMINAL MARKETS

Committee on Agriculture: W. C. Crow, Marketing Facilities Branch, PMA, discussed the need for improvements in terminal markets, etc., and presented pictures and other information on the subject. He will appear before the committee again tomorrow.

ARMY-NAVY NURSES

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee No. 3 approved for reporting to the full committee H. R. 5876, to amend the Army-Navy Nurses Act of 1947, to provide for additional appointments. Witnesses testifying on this measure were Maj. Gen. C. E. Byers, Deputy Director of Personnel, Maj. Gen. R. W. Bliss, Surgeon General, Col. Emma E. Vogel, Chief, Women's Medical Specialists Corps, and Maj. Leo E. Benade, Personnel Division, Office of Surgeon General, all of the Department of the Army; Rear Adm. A. H. Dearing, Assistant Chief, Bureau of Medicine and Surgery, Department of the Navy; and Capt. Verena Zellar, Acting Chief of Nursing Division, and Col. Hayden W. Withers, Chief, Planning Division, both of the Office of Air Surgeon.

RESERVES

Committee on Armed Services: Special Subcommittee on Reserves held open session and heard testimony of Col. Louis Renfrow, Special Assistant to the Secretary of Defense. Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

FOREIGN INVESTMENTS

Committee on Banking and Currency: Opened hearings on H. R. 5594, to vest in the Export-Import Bank of Washington the power to guarantee U. S. investments abroad. Secretary of the Treasury John W. Snyder was the first witness to testify and spoke in favor of the bill. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

CAPITOL ARCHITECT—TRAVEL EXPENSES

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Ordered the following bills reported to the House:

H. J. Res. 340, to clarify the status of the Architect of the Capitol under the Federal Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949; and

H. R. 5951, to amend section 3 of the Travel Expenses Act of 1949, relating to per diem allowances for civilian employees incapacitated due to illness while in travel status.

MARITIME COMMISSION

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: The Subcommittee on Government Operations concluded hearings on the General Accounting Office's audit report relating to the U. S. Maritime Commission in its operation of its ship-subsidy program.

FALCON DAM DEVELOPMENT

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Mansfield subcommittee approved for reporting to the full committee H. R. 5773, to carry out provisions of article 7 of the treaty between the United States and Mexico regarding joint development of hydroelectric power at Falcon Dam on the Rio Grande. Witnesses testifying on this measure were Representative Bentsen, author of the bill; Harold Herrick, Mexican Affairs Division, State Department; and Francis Adams, Assistant Chief, Bureau of Power, Federal Power Commission.

LOGAN AIRPORT, BOSTON—HEALTH

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Ordered H. J. Res. 338 reported to the House. This resolution authorizes the Administrator of Civil Aeronautics to undertake a project under the Federal Airport Act for the development and improvement of Logan International Airport at Boston, Mass., during the fiscal year 1950.

Also considered H. R. 5865, local public health units, and S. 1411, school health services, and will meet tomorrow to consider hospital construction bills.

CHEYENNE-ARAPAHO INDIANS

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Indian Affairs approved for reporting to the full committee H. R. 4756, setting aside certain lands in Oklahoma for the Cheyenne-Arapaho Indian tribes. The following witnesses were heard in a discussion of the various proposed amendments to the bill: William T. Zimmerman and H. M. Critchfield, both of the Department of the Interior; William Howard Payne, attorney for Cheyenne-Arapaho Tribe; and Preston Peden, counsel for Committee on Public Lands.

RIVERS AND HARBORS—FLOOD CONTROL

Committee on Public Works: Adopted nine river and harbor and flood-control review resolutions which had previously been approved by subcommittee action earlier in the day.

Also discussed H. Res. 326, authorizing the Committee on Public Works to conduct surveys of certain works of improvement, which resolution is presently before the Rules Committee. Adjourned subject to the call of the Chair.

FLOOD CONTROL—PUBLIC WORKS

Committee on Rules: At Tuesday's committee action, a motion was denied requesting reconsideration of H. R. 5472, omnibus flood-control and rivers and harbors bill. No action was taken, as reported in Tuesday's Digest, on the bill for advance planning for public works.

VA MEDICAL PAY INCREASE

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Held further hearings on H. R. 5324, to increase the rates of compensation of

certain employees of the Department of Medicine and Surgery in the Veterans' Administration, with additional testimony being received from Veterans' Administration officials Donald C. Knapp, Office of the Assistant Administrator for Legislation, and Dr. H. A. Press, Chief of the Management Section, Department of Medicine and Surgery. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

Thursday, August 18, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate confirmed the nominations of Clark and McGrath, and debated Interior appropriations.

House passed military-assistance bill.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 11732–11734

Bills Introduced: Three bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 2453 to S. 2455; and S. Res. 156. Page 11732

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. R. 1437, Army-Air Force composition bill, with amendments (S. Rept. 933);

S. 2372, to amend Atomic Energy Act of 1946, with respect to Military Liaison Committee, with an amendment (S. Rept. 934); and

S. Res. 95, to amend Senate rule 29 to require that committee reports accompanying bills and resolutions show any proposed changes to be made in existing law (S. Rept. 935). Page 11732

Indian Land: Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs was discharged from further consideration of H. R. 5390, authorizing exchange of Navajo land for certain Utah State land, and the bill was placed on the calendar. Page 11733

Confirmation of Clark and McGrath: The nomination of Tom C. Clark, Texas, to be Associate Justice of the U. S. Supreme Court was confirmed by 73 yeas to 8 nays, following which the nomination of J. Howard McGrath to be Attorney General was unanimously confirmed. Pages 11694–11732

Interior Appropriations: Senate continued consideration of committee amendments to H. R. 3838, Interior appropriations for 1950, without acting on any committee amendments. An amendment by Senator Thye regarding transfer of unobligated funds for Minnesota public-school districts was adopted as an amendment to a committee amendment. Pages 11734, 11738–11745

Nominations: A total of 204 nominations were received, including 89 in the Public Health Service, 10 in the Army, and 105 in the Navy. Pages 11746–11747

Committee Meetings

FOREIGN MILITARY AID

Committees on Armed Services and Foreign Relations: Continuing hearings on S. 2388, to provide military assistance to foreign nations, the committees heard testimony in opposition to the bill from Dr. H. M. Griffith, National Economic Council, and Seymour Linfield, Young Progressives of America. Frazer Bailey, National Federation of American Shipping, appeared to request that the legislation be written so that at least 50 percent of the shipping be required to be carried in American bottoms. Hearings continue tomorrow.

COAL INDUSTRY LABOR NEGOTIATIONS

Committee on Banking and Currency: Continuing hearings on the effect of the proposed coal "czar" appointment and the 3-day workweek in the coal mines on independent producers and consumer prices, the committee received testimony from Chester Thompson, president, American Waterways Operators, Inc., on the effect of the 3-day workweek on inland steamships and barge lines, and from Walter Thurmond, secretary of the Southern Coal Producers Association, Charleston, W. Va., on the effect of the 3-day workweek on southern coal producers. Mr. Thurmond also took issue with some of the testimony given by Miss Josephine Roche, director, welfare and retirement fund, UMW.

Senator Taylor introduced an interchange of correspondence between himself and Robert D. L'Heureux, counsel for the committee, on salaries of trustees of the welfare and retirement fund. Hearings continue August 23, 24, and 25, at which time they will be concluded.

RFC

Committee on Banking and Currency: Continuing hearings on S. 2344, to amend the RFC Act to provide longer maturity period for RFC loans, and authorize directors to determine time limit, with particular reference to whether or not RFC should make loans to relieve area unemployment, the subcommittee received testimony from the following witnesses in support of the idea, all of whom used as an example the application for loan by the M. & S. Coal Co. of Minersville, Pa.: Senator Myers; Thomas Kennedy, vice president, UMW; Russell Bevan, Pottsville, Pa., Chamber of Commerce; Ira F. Jones, editor, Minersville Free Press; and A. J. Schrader, president, and Joseph Minovich, secretary, M. & S. Coal Co.

Leo N. Plein, RFC, explained why the application had not been granted.

VETERANS' BENEFITS

Committee on Finance: Committee held hearings on H. R. 5598, omnibus benefits bill for service-connected disabled veterans, with the following officials of the Veterans' Administration giving an analysis of the bill and presenting the views of the VA: Donald C. Knapp, Henry Q. Brooks, L. E. Bolick, and Dr. W. B. Dyess.

Cicero F. Hogan, DAV, and Gen. John Thomas Taylor and T. O. Kraabel, both of the American Legion, testified in favor of the bill. Hearings continue tomorrow.

COAL TRANSPORTATION—OGDENSBURG, N. Y.

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee held hearings on H. R. 75, to amend section 27 of the Merchant Marine Act of 1920 to permit transportation of coal to Ogdensburg, N. Y., in foreign vessels, with F. Augsburg, George Hall Co., Ogdensburg, N. Y., testifying in support of the bill.

Frank R. Heller, Chief of Engineers, Department of Army, appeared to explain conditions of the harbor at Ogdensburg. Robert King, U. S. Maritime Commission, presented the opposition of the Maritime Commission to the bill.

William C. Dressler, Columbia Transportation Co., Pringle Barge Line Co., and representing the Lake Carriers Association, Cleveland, and Sparkman D. Foster, T. D. McCarthy Steamship Co., and T. H. Browning Steamship Co., Detroit, appeared in opposition to the bill. Subcommittee adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

INLAND WATERWAYS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Capt. A. C. Ingersoll, president, Inland Waterways, and Chester Thompson, president, American Waterways Operators, Inc., testified on the physical condition of barges now being operated in connection with the subcommittee's hearings on S. 211, to amend the act to create the Inland Waterways Corporation, to increase the capital stock and authorize appropriation of an additional $18,000,000 for paying for such subscription. Subcommittee adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

DISPLACED PERSONS

Committee on the Judiciary: Representative Celler continued his testimony before the subcommittee on proposed displaced-persons legislation. Subcommittee meets again tomorrow.

PRIVATE BILLS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee held hearings on two private bills (H. R. 1095 and S. 531).

HEALTH BILLS

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: In executive session, subcommittee considered various pending miscellaneous health bills, but did not conclude action on any of them. Subcommittee meets again August 23 to continue its work.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Four public bills, H. R. 6047–6050; four private bills, H. R. 6051–6054; and eight resolutions, H. J. Res. 341–344, and H. Res. 331–334, were introduced. Pages 11813–11814

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. R. 3793, to provide for furnishing of quarters at Brunswick, Ga., for U. S. District Court for Southern District of Georgia (H. Rept. 1278);

H. R. 5191, furnishing quarters for the U. S. District Court at Thomasville, Ga. (H. Rept. 1279);

H. R. 5166, extending United States laws relating to civil acts to certain occupied Pacific islands (H. Rept. 1280);

H. R. 5647, to prohibit the picketing of United States courts (H. Rept. 1281); and

H. R. 5884, amending the Atomic Energy Act of 1946 with respect to the Military Liaison Committee (H. Rept. 1282). Page 11813

Private Bill: Agreed to Senate amendments to H. R. 1279, a private bill, thus clearing it for Presidential action. Page 11750

Military Assistance Program: After rejecting a recommittal motion by a voice vote the House, by 238 yeas to 122 nays, passed H. R. 5895, to promote the foreign policy and provide for the defense and general welfare of the United States by furnishing military assistance to foreign nations. Prior to passage the bill was amended by a substitute amendment offered by Mr. Richards to title I which reduces the amount provided for rearming the North Atlantic countries from $1,160,000,000 to $580,495,000. Also adopted an amendment to provide that at least 50 percent of gross tonnage shipped under this program will be transported on U. S.-flag commercial vessels. Several clarifying amendments were also adopted.

Amendments were rejected that would—

Provide $100 million for China and southeastern Asia.

Deny aid to England as long as she maintains a socialist government and as long as Ireland remains partitioned.

Provide for acquiring air bases in North Atlantic signatory countries.

Reduce title I funds by $100 million.

Provide $498,130,000 for title I until March 31, 1950, instead of June 30, 1950.

Give preference to certain unemployed areas of U. S. in acquiring stocks under this program.

As passed, the bill now provides $580,495,000 for increasing the armed strength of the western European area, $211,370,000 for Greece and Turkey, $27,640,000 for Iran, Korea, and the Philippines, in addition to $450,000,000 of surplus U. S. military equipment and materials. Pages 11751–11808

Committee Meetings

TERMINAL MARKETS—FARM LABOR

Committee on Agriculture: Held executive discussions on the subject of terminal markets and the importation of foreign farm labor. Adjourned subject to the call of the Chair.

PALISADES PROJECT, IDAHO

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation considered, but took no action on, H. R. 5506, authorizing the Palisades Dam and Reservoir project, Idaho, and will consider the subject further at a later date.

Joint Committee Meetings

INVESTMENTS

Joint Committee on the Economic Report: Subcommittee met in executive session and discussed plans and procedures for organizing its investment study.

FOREIGN-AID APPROPRIATIONS

Conferees on H. R. 4830, foreign-aid appropriations for 1950, met in executive session to work out differences between the two passed versions of the bill, but did not reach final agreement. Conferees adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

PRICING PRACTICES

Conferees on S. 1008, to define the application of the Federal Trade Commission Act and the Clayton Act to certain pricing practices, met in executive session to work out differences between the two passed versions of the bill, but did not reach final agreement. Conferees adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

Friday, August 19, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate continued work on Interior appropriations, and conference report on independent offices appropriations.

Supplemental appropriation bill passed by House.

D. C. home-rule bill tabled by House committee.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 11815–11823

Bills Introduced: Five bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 2456 to S. 2460; and S. Res. 157. Page 11816

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. R. 3071, to authorize the Secretary of the Army to purchase certain property in Morgan County, Ohio (S. Rept. 936);

H. R. 3478, to extend the time for completing construction of a bridge across the Mississippi River from St. Louis, Mo., to East St. Louis, Ill. (S. Rept. 937);

H. R. 3197, relating to the sale of the old Louisville Marine Hospital, Jefferson County, Ky. (S. Rept. 938);

H. R. 5356, private bill (S. Rept. 939);

S. 2374, to extend certain sections of the Philippine Rehabilitation Act (S. Rept. 940);

H. J. Res. 281, private bill (S. Rept. 941);

H. R. 2475, private bill (S. Rept. 942);

H. R. 1596, to authorize the Postmaster General to enter into special agreements for certain switching service by railway common carriers, with an amendment (S. Rept. 943); and

S. Res. 157, granting a gratuity to widow of a Senate employee (no written report). Pages 11815–11816

Bill Referred: One House-passed bill was referred to appropriate committee. Page 11816

Senate Employee: S. Res. 157, granting a gratuity to widow of a Senate employee, was adopted. Page 11816

Interior Appropriations: Senate continued debate on H. R. 3838, Interior appropriations for 1950, with the committee amendments on southwestern power as the pending question, but did not reach a vote on any amendment. A motion to recess until Monday, during the debate, was defeated by vote of 32 yeas to 40 nays. Pages 11823–11844

Independent Offices Appropriations—Veterans and Housing: Senate agreed to House amendment to Senate amendment 74, respecting education and training of certain veterans, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (Action on this Senate amendment 74 had been temporarily postponed when the Senate previously adopted conference report on H. R. 4177, independent offices appropriations for 1950, and disposed of the other amendments reported in disagreement.)

Senate debated motion previously entered by Senator Douglas to reconsider vote by which Senate had agreed to House amendment to Senate amendment 46, providing funds for the Housing Expediter. Pages 11844–11857

Bills Cleared for President: Senate concurred in amendment of House to each of the following bills: S. 259, to discontinue divisions of the court in the district of Kansas; and S. 331, private bill, clearing them for President. Pages 11822–11823

Pecos River Basin: Report by Commissioners of New Mexico and Texas on the Pecos River Basin was ordered printed as a Senate Document. Page 11816

Contract Settlement: Report of Comptroller General on activities of GAO under Contract Settlement Act was ordered printed as a Senate Document, and 1,000 extra copies were ordered printed for use of Judiciary Committee. Page 11816

Nominations: A total of 285 nominations were received, including 259 Coast Guard, 23 Army, 2 Navy, and 1 Marine Corps. Page 11857

Committee Meetings

FOREIGN MILITARY AID

Committees on Armed Services and Foreign Relations: Committees concluded public hearings on S. 2388, to provide military assistance to foreign nations, after receiving testimony in opposition to the bill from the following witnesses: Henry Wallace, Progressive Party; Lawrence Mallory, Jr., National Council of the Arts, Sciences, and Professions; Rev. Amos C. Varstow Murphy, Lawrence, Mass.; and Dr. Robert Yarnall, Society of Friends, Philadelphia. Committees adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

VETERANS' BENEFITS

Committee on Finance: Committee concluded hearings on H. R. 5598, omnibus benefits bill for service-connected disabled veterans, after receiving testimony in support of the bill from Clarence Adamy, AMVETS; Joseph Clorety, Jr., AVC; and Mrs. Ed W. Jordan, Gold Star Wives of America.

E. S. Matthias, United Spanish War Veterans, appeared to recommend an amendment to the bill to provide 20 percent pension increase for Spanish-American War veterans.

EVERGLADES NATIONAL PARK

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Subcommittee held further hearings on H. R. 4029, relative to the enlargement of the Everglades National Park, Fla., receiving testimony in support of the House-passed version of the bill from the following witnesses: Representatives Peterson and Smathers; and Conrad Wirth and Donald E. Lee, both of National Park Service.

The following witnesses proposed amendments to the House-passed version of the bill: Effie Knowles, attorney, Tax Division, Department of Justice; Ivar Axelson, president, Everglades National Park Land Owners Association; A. Klipstein, American Cyanide Corp.; and D. A. McDougal, Department of State. Subcommittee adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

PRIVATE BILL

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: In executive session, subcommittee voted to report to the full committee H. R. 4042, a private bill.

DISPLACED PERSONS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee continued its hearings on proposed displaced-persons legislation, with the following witnesses discusing Greek displaced persons: I. A. Lougaris, attorney at Reno, and Thomas N. Christie, both representing the Greek Order of

Ahepa; and George Xanthaky, Greek War Relief Association. Subcommittee adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

PUBLIC HEALTH BILLS

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: In executive session, the committee voted to report without amendment S. 1706, to authorize Public Health Service to admit to its hospitals persons committed by State courts who are beneficiaries of its service or narcotic addicts, and S. 2227, to admit to St. Elizabeths Hospital persons who are residents or domiciled in the Virgin Islands, and with clarifying amendment S. 2228, to amend the Public Health Service Act with respect to venereal-disease rapid-treatment centers.

The committee approved a motion not to object to the Senate Appropriations Committee proceeding with H. R. 4177, independent offices appropriations, on the basis of a substitute for House amendment to Senate amendment 74, respecting education and training of certain veterans.

PHILIPPINE REHABILITATION, AND PUBLIC LAND BILLS

Committee on Public Works: In executive session, committee voted to report without amendment the following bills: S. 2374, to extend certain sections of the Philippine Rehabilitation Act. As approved by the committee, it would extend sections 302 and 303 of title 3 of Public Law 370 of the Seventy-ninth Congress in order to permit completion of certain portions of the Philippine Rehabilitation Program, including construction of roads, streets, port and harbor facilities; H. R. 3071, to authorize the Secretary of the Army to purchase certain property in Morgan County, Ohio; H. R. 3197, relating to the sale of the old Louisville Marine Hospital, Jefferson County, Ky.; H. R. 3478, to extend the time for completing construction of a bridge across the Mississippi River from St. Louis, Mo., to East St. Louis, Ill.; and H. R. 5356, private bill.

The committee voted to report favorably the nomination of Col. Walter Luplow to be a member of the California Debris Commission.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Ten public bills, H. R. 6055–6064; five private bills, H. R. 6065–6069; and two resolutions, H. J. Res. 345 and H. Con. Res. 126, were introduced.

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Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

Five private bills, S. 627, 1565, H. R. 5354, 6006, and 6007 (H. Repts. 1283–1287, respectively). Page 11884

Conference Reports Adopted: House adopted conference reports on the following bills: H. R. 2877, to add certain lands to the Big Bend National Park, Tex.; H. R. 2859, to authorize the sale of public lands in Alaska; and S. 1647, to eliminate premium payments in the purchase of Government royalty oil under existing contracts entered into pursuant to the act of July 13, 1946; thus clearing the bills for the President.

Pages 11858–11860

Logan Airport: Adopted H. J. Res. 338, relating to development and improvement of Logan International Airport at Boston, Mass., during fiscal year 1950.

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Cooperative Forest Programs: Representative Granger was appointed to replace Representative Abbitt as a conferee on H. R. 2296, to establish Federal-State cooperation in forestry activities by amending Clarke-McNary Act of 1924. Page 11860

Parker Dam School: Adopted committee amendments and passed H. R. 4330, to authorize the appropriation of funds for construction and acquisiton of school facilities at Parker Dam power project. Page 11860

Cleared for the President: The House agreed to Senate amendments to the following bills, thus clearing them for the President:

Aeronautics: H. R. 781, to amend the Civil Aeronautics Act of 1938, to facilitate the purchase and transportation of supplies and materials to the interior of Alaska.

Pages 11861–11862

Air mail: H. R. 4498, to grant authority to Postmaster General to award contracts for transportation of mail by aircraft upon star routes. Pages 11877–11878

Civil service: H. R. 997, to extend certain benefits to employees involuntarily separated from July 1, 1945, to July 1, 1947, after having served 25 years but prior to attainment of age 55. Page 11878

Supplemental Appropriation: By voice vote the House passed H. R. 6008, making appropriations to supply certain supplemental and deficiency appropriations for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1950. This bill appropriates $75,790,521.87, which is $14,174,499.95 below the budget estimates of $89,965,021.82.

Adopted an amendment deleting from the bill $3 million for expenses of the National Capital Sesquicentennial Commission.

Rejected an amendment to reduce the salaries and expenses of the Farmers' Home Administration from $3 million to $2 million. Pages 11862–11877

Committee Meetings

WIND TUNNEL

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee No. 3 approved for reporting to the full committee S. 1267, companion bill to H. R. 3434, authorizing construction of transsonic and supersonic wind-tunnel facilities and the establishment of an air engineering development center.

FOREIGN INVESTMENTS

Committee on Banking and Currency: James E. Webb, Under Secretary of State, testified today in favor of H. R. 5594, to vest in the Export-Import Bank of Washington the power to guarantee United States investments abroad, and also answered numerous questions of committee members. Hearings will be continued on Monday morning.

BEVERAGES—TAXATION—HOME RULE

Committee on the District of Columbia: Ordered the following bills reported to the House:

H. R. 5912, relating to D. C. alcoholic beverage regulations, restricting sale, on credit, of beverages except beer and light wines;

H. J. Res. 337, payments to certain property owners; and

S. 973, exempting from taxation certain property of the National Society of the Colonial Dames of America.

Sustained, by a vote of 15 to 8, the action of the Judiciary Subcommittee whereby S. 1527, the home-rule bill, was tabled.

INSANE PERSONS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 2 approved for reporting to the full committee S. 936, to establish procedure for care and custody of insane persons convicted of Federal offenses.

PALISADES PROJECT, IDAHO

Committee on Public Lands: Ordered reported favorably to the House H. R. 5506, amended, authorizing the Palisades Dam and Reservoir project, Idaho. Prior to this action the Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation had approved the bill after hearing favorable testimony from Albert M. Day, Director, Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, and J. G. Wills, counsel, Bureau of Reclamation.

MINERAL LEASES

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Mines and Mining continued hearings on H. R. 1265 and 5312, providing for competitive bidding on oil and gas leases on acquired lands where competitive interest is shown. Witnesses testifying today, all of whom spoke in favor of the legislation, were Representatives Staggers, Allen of Louisiana, Whittington, and Williams of Mississippi; and Miss Lucille Batts of the Department of Agriculture. Took no action and adjourned until Monday.

INDIAN BILLS

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Indian Affairs approved the following bills for reporting to the full committee: H. R. 2919, amended, a private bill; and H. R. 2196, to authorize elimination of lands from the Flathead Indian irrigation project, Montana. Adjourned subject to the call of the Chair.

SURVEY—TAX COURT—POSTAL EMPLOYEES—HOUSING—FOOD STUDY

Committee on Rules: Ordered reported favorably to the House H. Res. 326, authorizing the Committee on Public Works to conduct surveys of certain works of improvement. Representatives Whittington and Dondero spoke in favor of the resolution.

Also granted a rule providing for 1 hour debate on H. R. 3113, to amend the Judicial Code and incorporate therein provisions relating to the U. S. Tax Court. Representative Hobbs urged the rule.

Considered, but took no action on, a rule for H. R. 4495, relating to pay and leave regulations for postal employees. Representative Murray of Tennessee requested 3 hours of open debate. Representatives Morrison and Withrow spoke in favor of the bill and the rule. Representatives Rees and Hagen also testified.

Also considered, but took no action on, a rule for H. R. 5987, omnibus housing bill of 1949. Representative Spence requested 2 hours open debate. Representatives Monroney, Multer, and Deane spoke in favor of the rule, and Representatives Wolcott and Talle spoke against certain provisions of the bill.

Representative Keefe urged favorable action on H. Res. 207, creating a select committee to study and investigate the use of chemicals, pesticides, and insecticides with respect to food products. Hearings on this resolution will be resumed at the meeting on Monday.

Joint Committee Meetings

COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Joint Committee on the Library: In executive session, the committee took the following action: Voted to authorize the chairman to use his own discretion to act on certain incidental matters regarding Library of Congress Trust Fund Board; approved suggestion to notify Post Office Department to issue commemorative stamp for one hundred and fiftieth anniversary of the Library

of Congress; and approved motion to prohibit Library of Congress from making certain awards or prizes.

The Librarian of the Library of Congress was authorized to request the President to extend the scope of the Loyalty Review Board, set up by Executive order, to take jurisdiction over employees of the Library of Congress.

It approved a resolution (H. J. Res. 295) to erect a memorial to Mohandas K. Gandhi. The resolution will be referred to the Senate Rules and Administration Committee for its approval.

A request of Oregon to reserve two spaces in Statuary Hall for Oregon statues, to which they are entitled, was approved.

A statue site for Brigham Young was also approved, and a motion was adopted to allow no further statues or busts in the rotunda except those of Presidents.

Monday, August 22, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate disposed of pending amendments on independent offices appropriations, and debated Interior appropriations.

House passed rivers and harbors flood-control bill and cleared independent offices appropriations for the President.

Omnibus housing bill cleared for House debate by Rules Committee.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 11885–11897

Bills Introduced: Eight bills and three resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2461 to S. 2468; S. J. Res. 129; and S. Res. 158 and 159. Page 11886

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. R. 2170, to declare children of competent Crow Indians to be competent members of the Crow Tribe (S. Rept. 944);

H. R. 1976, sale of allotted land on Flathead Indian Reservation, Mont., with amendments (S. Rept. 945);

S. 2269, to provide for enlistment of certain aliens in the Regular Army (S. Rept. 946);

S. 17, patents for lands to certain settlers in Pyramid Lake Indian Reservation, Nev., with amendment (S. Rept. 947);

S. 2317, authorizing grants to States to survey needs for elementary and secondary school facilities, and authorizing grants for school construction, with amendments (S. Rept. 948);

H. Con. Res. 103, authorizing appropriation for expenses of congressional committee to attend the final national encampment of the G. A. R. (no written report). Page 11885

Bills Referred: Three House-passed bills were referred to appropriate committees. Page 11887

Independent Offices Appropriations: By unanimous consent Senate adopted Douglas motion to reconsider vote by which Senate had agreed to House amendment to Senate amendment 46 (funds for Housing Expediter) to H. R. 4177, independent offices appropriations for 1950. The Senate also by unanimous consent then adopted O'Mahoney motion that the House amendment be amended by adding proviso that funds for Housing Expediter be available from July 1, 1949, and ratifying obligations incurred between August 15 and enactment. Thereafter, Senator Douglas offered and later withdrew an amendment providing that funds for Housing Expediter may be expended during period ending March 31, 1950. Pages 11901–11912

Interior Appropriations: Senate further debated H. R. 3838, Interior appropriations for 1950, taking no action on amendments, but agreeing that vote on committee amendments including amendments thereto on southwestern power area will be taken at 2:30 p. m. Tuesday, August 23, the time between 12:30 p. m. and 2:30 p. m. to be divided equally between Senators Thomas of Oklahoma and Hill. Pages 11897, 11912–11922

Committee Meetings

FARM PROGRAM

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Following a brief executive session, in which the committee discussed the recommendations of its subcommittee on proposed price-support legislation, the committee heard testimony by Secretary of Agriculture Brannan on his objections to the subcommittee's recommendations on farm legislation. The Secretary also discussed various alternate proposals. Hearings on proposed farm legislation will be continued tomorrow.

KOREAN AID AND SEC FUNDS

Committee on Appropriations: Committee held hearings on supplemental budget estimates for Korean aid with ECA Deputy Administrator William Foster, and Dr. Edgar Johnson, ECA, testifying in support of the funds. SEC Commissioner Richard B. McEntire appeared before the committee to request that certain cuts in amounts of budget estimates for the SEC, made by the committee in prior appropriation bill, be reconsidered and restored.

ALIENS IN ARMY, AND MUNITIONS BOARD NOMINATION

Committee on Armed Services: In executive session, committee voted to report without amendment S. 2269, to provide for enlistment of certain aliens in the Regular Army.

It also considered the nomination of Carl A. Ilgenfritz to be Chairman of the Munitions Board, but took no action.

INDIANS, AND MINERALS

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: In executive session, committee voted to report without amendment H. R. 1976, sale of allotted land on Flathead Indian Reservation, Mont., and H. R. 2170, to declare children of competent Crow Indians to be competent members of the Crow Tribe.

The committee also considered S. 2105, to stimulate exploration for and conservation of strategic minerals, but did not reach any resolution thereon. It will consider this bill further tomorrow.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Sixteen public bills, H. R. 6070–6085; ten private bills, H. R. 6086–6095; and five resolutions, H. J. Res. 346, H. Con. Res. 127 and 128, and H. Res. 335 and 336, were introduced. Pages 12015–12016

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. Res. 326, authorizing and directing the Committee on Public Works to conduct surveys of certain works of improvement (H. Rept. 1288);

S. 973, a private bill (H. Rept. 1289);

H. R. 5912, to amend the D. C. Alcoholic Beverage Control Act to restrict the sale on credit of beverages, except beer and light wines, not consumed on the premises where sold (H. Rept. 1290);

H. J. Res. 337, a private resolution (H. Rept. 1291);

H. R. 483, to extend the time limit within which certain suits in admiralty may be brought against the United States (H. Rept. 1292);

S. 88, to amend sections 60 (a) and 70 (c) of the Bankruptcy Act, amended (H. Rept. 1293);

H. R. 3001, to authorize the admission into the United States of certain aliens possessing special skills, amended (H. Rept. 1294);

H. R. 6070, housing amendments of 1949 (H. Rept. 1295);

H. R. 2419, to provide that 10 percent of funds received from national forests should be available for expenditure by the Secretary of Agriculture for recreational purposes within such national forests (H. Rept. 1296);

H. R. 5506, authorizing the Palisades Dam and Reservoir project, Idaho (H. Rept. 1297);

H. R. 5902, authorizing $54,000 for the relief of the Pan American Union (H. Rept. 1298);

H. R. 5773, to authorize joint development of hydroelectric power at Falcon Dam on Rio Grande by U. S. and Mexico (H. Rept. 1299);

H. R. 6000, Social Security Act amendments (H. Rept. 1300);

H. Res. 335, providing for consideration of, and 1 hour of general debate on, H. R. 3113, to amend title 28 of U. S. Code, Judiciary and Judicial Procedure (H. Rept. 1301);

H. Res. 336, providing for consideration of, and 2 hours of general debate on, H. R. 6070, to amend the National Housing Act, as amended (H. Rept. 1302); and

Conference report on S. 1250, extending the Institute of Inter-American Affairs (H. Rept. 1303). Page 12015

Flood Control: After rejecting a recommital motion, the House passed H. R. 5472, authorizing the construction, repair, and preservation of certain public works on rivers and harbors for navigation and flood control. This is the first major omnibus river and harbor and flood-control bill to be considered by the House since 1946. This bill authorizes a total of $1,114,539,975 with $995 million going to flood-control projects and the balance of $119,539,975 for river and harbor projects. Numerous clarifying and perfecting committee amendments were adopted.

H. Res. 302, the rule for consideration of H. R. 5472, was previously adopted. Pages 11935–11999

Inter-American Affairs: Adopted conference report on S. 1250, to extend the Institute of Inter-American Affairs. Pages 11999–12000

Independent Offices Appropriation: House cleared H. R. 4177, the independent offices appropriation bill for 1950, for the President by agreeing to the Senate amendments to House amendments to amendments Nos. 46 and 74 which were in disagreement. Amendment 46 deals with funds for the Housing Expediter while amendment 74 relates to education and training of certain veterans. Pages 12000–12002

Committee Meetings

B–36 INQUIRY

Committee on Armed Services: Continued its hearings in connection with the B–36 bomber procurement inquiry and heard the following witnesses: Gen. Carl Spaatz, former Chief of Staff, U. S. Air Force; Gen. Muir S. Fairchild, Vice Chief of Staff, Department of Air Force; Lt. Gen. H. A. Craig, Deputy Chief of Staff, Matériel, Department of Air Force; and Gen. Joseph T. McNarney, Office of Secretary of Defense. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

HOUSING

Committee on Banking and Currency: Ordered reported to the House H. R. 6070, the new omnibus housing bill of 1949. This measure supersedes H. R. 5987, which was reported last Tuesday, and eliminates the section of the bill dealing with direct loans, which met objection at the Rules Committee meeting.

FOREIGN INVESTMENTS

Committee on Banking and Currency: Continued hearings on H. R. 5594, to vest in the Export-Import Bank of Washington the power to guarantee United States investments abroad. Testifying in favor of this legislation today was Herbert E. Gaston, Chairman, Board of Directors, Export-Import Bank, while Norman Littell, attorney, representing the American Bar Association section of international and comparative law, spoke in general support of the bill with reservations. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

AID TO EDUCATION

Committee on Education and Labor: Held round-table discussions on Federal-aid-to-education legislation with representatives of religious, educational, and labor groups. Will continue on same subject tomorrow.

HYDRO TREATY—PAN AMERICAN UNION—ALASKAN RAILROAD—CARE

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Ordered the following bills reported to the House:

H. R. 5773, to carry out provisions of article 7 of the treaty between the United States and Mexico regarding joint development of hydroelectric power at Falcon Dam on the Rio Grande;

H. R. 5902, authorizing $54,000 for the relief of the Pan American Union; and

H. R. 2186, for construction of railroad connecting the existing United States-Canadian railroad with the Alaskan railroad.

Also appointed a special subcommittee to consider H. R. 5953, authorizing contributions to CARE, composed of Representatives Carnahan, chairman; Burleson; and Judd. This group will consider this measure at a meeting tomorrow morning.

POSTAL RATES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Miller special subcommittee considered second- and third-class postal rates in executive session. Took no action on the subject.

MINERAL LEASES

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Mines and Mining held further hearings on H. R. 1265 and 5312, providing for competitive bidding on oil and gas leases on acquired lands where competitive interest is shown. Speaking on behalf of the bill was H. J. Duncan, Chief, Conservation Division, United States Geological Survey, and heard in opposition were Judge Warwick M. Downing, attorney, Denver, Colo., and E. Vaughn Ford, Taylorsville, Miss., nonoperating partner. Hearings will be continued tomorrow morning.

HOUSING

Committee on Rules: Granted an open rule providing for 2 hours debate on H. R. 6070, the new omnibus housing bill of 1949. Representative Wolcott spoke in favor of the rule.

SMALL-BUSINESS REPRESENTATION

Select Committee on Small Business: Subcommittee held hearing on the subject of small-business representation and had as its witnesses Vernon Scott and Loring Schuler of the firm of Scott & Schuler, Chicago and Washington organization counselors. Adjourned subject to the call of the Chair.

Joint Committee Meetings

FOREIGN-AID APPROPRIATIONS

Conferees on H. R. 4830, foreign-aid appropriations, met in executive session to work out differences between the House- and Senate-passed versions of the bill, but failed to reach final agreement. They continue tomorrow.

Tuesday, August 23, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate worked on Interior appropriations, rejecting committee amendments on southwestern power.

House debated housing bill.

Senate groups reported strategic minerals bill, and began voting on foreign military aid.

Bills on hospital construction, disabled veterans' benefits, and VA medical pay increases ordered reported by House committees.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 12016–12023

Bills Introduced: Seven bills were introduced, as follows: S. 2469 to S. 2475. Page 12020

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. R. 5205, private bill (S. Rept. 949);

S. 1706, to authorize Public Health Service to admit to its hospitals persons committed by State courts who are beneficiaries of its service or narcotic addicts (S. Rept. 950);

S. 2227, to admit to St. Elizabeths Hospital persons who are residents or domiciled in the Virgin Islands (S. Rept. 951);

S. 2228, to amend the Public Health Service Act with respect to venereal-disease rapid-treatment centers, with amendments (S. Rept. 952);

S. 1542, to authorize the withdrawal of public notices in the Yuma reclamation project, with amendment (S. Rept. 953). Page 12019

Bill Referred: One House-passed bill was referred to appropriate committee. Page 12020

Senator McGrath's Resignation: Senator McGrath submitted his resignation as Senator from Rhode Island, to be effective at the close of business today. Pages 12036–12038

Pay of Clerical Assistants: Committee on Rules and Administration was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 159, temporary continuance of pay to clerical assistants to Senator McGrath, and the resolution was adopted. Page 12020

Interior Appropriations: Senate continued work on H. R. 3838, Interior appropriations for 1950, taking the following action on amendments: Adopted, by 47 yeas to 35 nays, Kerr amendment to committee amendment respecting continuing fund for power transmission facilities for Southwestern Power Administration;

Rejected, by 38 yeas to 45 nays, a group of 4 committee amendments concerning southwestern power area as follows: (1) reduce by $2,383,885 funds for electric power to remain available until expended, (2) reduce by $195,000 funds available in current fiscal year, (3) reduce by $2,742,095 amount of obligations authorized to be incurred, and (4) set up continuing fund and provide for power transmission facilities in Southwestern Power Administration, as amended by Kerr amendment above;

By voice vote, rejected committee amendment which would have eliminated item on salaries for expenses of southeastern power marketing; and

By voice vote, adopted committee amendment increasing by $357,000 funds for Bonneville Power Administration.

Pending at recess was Magnuson amendment to add following language after above committee amendment: "including funds for construction of Kerr-Anaconda transmission facilities."

Senate agreed that at 2 p. m. tomorrow, August 24, it will vote on pending Magnuson amendment and any amendments thereto, the time between 11 a. m. and 2 p. m. to be divided equally between Senators Murray and Ecton. Pages 12023–12064

Nominations: Eighty-one Air Force, one civilian, and three Army nominations in the rank of general were received. Page 12065

Committee Meetings

FARM PROGRAM

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Continuing its hearings on the recommendations by its Subcommittee on Price Support Program, the committee received testimony from J. T. Sanders, National Grange; Angus MacDonald, National Farmers Union; and Charles B. Schuman, president, Illinois Agricultural Association. Mr. Sanders and Mr. Schuman testified in general support of the subcommittee's recommendations, while Mr. MacDonald appeared in opposition to them. Hearings continue tomorrow.

FATS AND OILS—BAKING INDUSTRY

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Subcommittee on Utilization of Farm Crops received testimony from Isaac Fogg, president, and assistants, all of the Atlas Powder Co., Wilmington, Del., and Henry H. Favor, R. T. Vanderbilt Co., New York, on the problem of emulsifiers used in the baking industry.

FOREIGN MILITARY AID

Committees on Armed Services and Foreign Relations: In executive session, the committees began marking up for reporting to the Senate S. 2388, to provide military assistance to foreign nations, approving those sections of the bill which were relatively noncontroversial, together with several like amendments offered by Senator Smith of New Jersey, and Senators Vandenberg and Dulles. The controversial provisions of the bill were put over until tomorrow, including the total amounts to be authorized.

The sections approved in today's meeting include titles 2 and 3, providing not to exceed $211,370,000 for Greece and Turkey and not to exceed $27,640,000 for military assistance to Iran, Korea, and the Philippines. Committees continue tomorrow.

RFC, EXPORT-IMPORT BANK, MUTUAL SAVINGS BANKS, AND NATIONAL BANKS

Committee on Banking and Currency: In executive session, the committee discussed various bills pending before it on which hearings have already been held, and reached the following conclusions:

It agreed that its Subcommittee on RFC would make its report on August 31 to the full committee on S. 2344, to amend the RFC Act to provide longer maturity period for RFC loans, and authorize directors to determine time limit;

That the Subcommittee on SEC would make a report to the full committee on the same date on S. 1175, to amend the Home Owners Loan Act of 1933 to permit Federal savings and loan associations to convert into mutual savings banks;

That the Subcommittee on RFC meet on Friday to consider H. R. 1161 (S. 101), providing for the conversion, merger, or consolidation of national banks with State banks; and

That the full committee defer action until after Labor Day on S. 2197, to amend the Export-Import Bank Act of 1945 to vest in the Bank the power to guarantee U. S. investments abroad.

GOVERNMENT CONTRACTS—PROFITS INVESTIGATION

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Maj. Gen. Herman Feldman appeared before the Investigations Subcommittee, in connection with its study of use of influence in Government procurement, to make a statement with reference to his present status. Brig. Gen. Ernest M. Brannon, Army Judge Advocate General's Office, and Pierre Welch, Washington, were questioned on the activities of Col. James V. Hunt. Hearings continue tomorrow.

STRATEGIC MINERALS, AND MINE INCENTIVE PAYMENTS

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: In executive session, the committee unanimously voted to report favorably with amendments S. 2105, to stimulate exploration for and conservation of strategic minerals.

It also agreed to report S. 240, to stimulate exploration, production, and conservation of strategic and critical ores, metals, and minerals, and for the establishment in the Interior Department of a Mine Incentive Payments Division.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Ten public bills, H. R. 6096–6105; two private bills, H. R. 6106 and 6107; and five resolutions, H. J. Res. 347 and H. Res. 337–340, were introduced. Pages 12067, 12104

Bills Reported: One report was made as follows: Interim report, pursuant to H. Res. 44, entitled "Investigation of Panama Canal Tolls" (H. Rept. 1304). Page 12104

Panama Canal Tolls: Adopted H. Res. 337, extending from September 1, 1949, to January 31, 1950, the time for filing of report of subcommittee of the Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries authorized by H. Res. 44 (81st Cong.) relative to revision of tolls charged for the use of the Panama Canal. Page 12067

Army Civil-Functions Appropriation: Voted to reject a motion, offered by Mr. Rankin, to instruct the conferees to agree to and accept certain compromise amendments to H. R. 3734, Army civil-functions appropriation bill. Pages 12067–12078

Housing Amendments: Adopted H. Res. 336, the rule providing for 2 hours of general debate on H. R. 6070, to amend the National Housing Act, as amended, and concluded all general debate before postponing further action on the bill until Wednesday. Pages 12078–12093

Public Works Improvement: Adopted H. Res. 326, authorizing and directing the Committee on Public Works to conduct surveys of certain works of improvement. Pages 12095–12097

Rio Grande Hydroelectric: Adopted committee amendment and passed H. R. 5773, to authorize the joint development of hydroelectric power at Falcon Dam on the Rio Grande River by the United States and Mexico. Pages 12097–12098

Admiralty Suits: Adopted committee amendments and passed H. R. 483, to extend the time limit within which certain suits in admiralty may be brought against the United States. Page 12098

President's Messages: Received veto messages on H. R. 1034, 1282, and 4366, all private bills. The messages were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary and ordered printed (H. Docs. 315, 314, and 313, respectively).

Also received a veto message on H. R. 3788, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to construct, operate, and maintain the Vermejo reclamation project in New Mexico. The message was referred to the Committee on Public Lands and ordered printed (H. Doc. No. 316). Pages 12093–12095

Postal Employees: Announcement was made of a sufficient number of signatures to discharge petition No. 18, to discharge the Committee on Rules from further consideration of H. Res. 319, entitled "A resolution providing for the consideration of H. R. 4495, a bill to provide additional benefits for certain postmasters, officers, and employees in the postal field service with respect to annual and sick leave, longevity pay, and promotions, and for other purposes." Pages 12103–12104

Committee Meetings

B–36 INQUIRY

Committee on Armed Services: Witnesses heard today at the B–36 bomber procurement inquiry were Defense Secretary Louis A. Johnson; Marx Leva, special assistant to the Defense Secretary; and Lt. Gen. Nathan F. Twining, Lt. Gen. Lauris Norstad, and Lt. Gen. E. W. Rawlings, all of the Department of Air Force. The hearings will be continued tomorrow.

FOREIGN INVESTMENTS

Committee on Banking and Currency: Representative Herter testified in connection with the hearings on H. R. 5594, to vest in the Export-Import Bank of Washington the power to guarantee United States investments abroad, answering numerous questions regarding the legislation. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED—EXTENSION SERVICE—HIRING—ALASKAN COMPENSATION

Committee on Education and Labor: Kelley subcommittee ordered the following bills reported to the full committee without recommendations: H. R. 3095, to establish a Federal Commission on Services for the Physically Handicapped and to define its duties; H. R. 1380, to broaden the cooperative extension system by providing for cooperative extension work between colleges receiving benefits and other colleges, research agencies, and the U. S. Labor Department; H. R. 5008, to amend the National Labor Relations Act to permit preferential hiring agreements; and H. R. 214, Alaska workmen's compensation bill.

AID TO EDUCATION

Committee on Education and Labor: Concluded roundtable discussion on Federal aid to education legislation. This meeting was held with members of the committee and representatives of religious, educational, and labor groups.

CARE

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Carnahan subcommittee ordered reported to the full committee H. R. 5953, to authorize contributions to CARE, Inc. Witnesses testifying on this bill were Arthur Ringland, State Department; Dr. Luther Evans, Librarian of Congress; Milton L. Smith, of CARE; James Read, representing American Friends Service Committee; and Paul Goering, representing the National Service Board of Conscientious Objectors.

COMMITTEE STUDY

Committee on House Administration: The Subcommittee on Accounts held hearings on H. Res. 314, to furnish $42,100 for expenses necessary to conduct certain studies and investigations by the Committee on Education and Labor, as provided by H. Res. 75, which was adopted by the House on February 21. The following members of the Committee on Education and Labor testified: Representatives Lesinski, chairman, Irving, Sims, Jacobs, Burke, and Wier. No action was taken at this meeting.

HOSPITAL CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Ordered reported to the House H. R. 5903, amended, providing greater financial assistance in the construction of hospitals.

ALASKA AIRPORT CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee on Transportation approved for reporting to the entire committee H. R. 6049, authorizing the appropriation of $17,000,000 for the construction of public airports in Alaska. Heard in favor of this legislation were Gordon M. Bain, budget officer; Chester A. Holden, budget analyst; and Arthur L. Catudal, airways engineer, Office of Federal Airways, all of the Civil Aeronautics Administration; and Col. A. E. Stoltz, Air Force Matériel, U. S. Air Force.

INSANE PERSONS—SAFETY COUNCIL—RESERVE OFFICERS—HOLIDAYS

Committee on the Judiciary: Ordered the following bills reported favorably to the House:

S. 936, with amendments, relating to the care and custody of insane persons charged with or convicted of offenses against the United States;

H. R. 1185, to incorporate the National Safety Council;

H. R. 5002, to incorporate the Reserve Officers Association of the United States;

H. J. Res. 23, designating November 19, 1949, the anniversary of Lincoln's Gettysburg Address, as Dedication Day; and

H. J. Res. 184, authorizing the President to proclaim the first Monday of February 1950 as National Children's Dental Health Day.

LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE—PANAMA CANAL

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Ordered reported to the House H. R. 5305, amended, to increase the retired pay of certain members of the former Lighthouse Service.

Also approved the interim report of the Special Subcommittee on Panama Canal Tolls, and considered H. R. 5531, relating to the compensation of certain employees of the Panama Canal. It was decided to refer this bill back to the Subcommittee on the Panama Canal for hearings. Adjourned subject to the call of the Chair.

VETERANS' PREFERENCE

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Miller subcommittee opened hearings on H. R. 2446, to amend the Veterans' Preference Act to preserve the equities of permanent classified civil-service employees of the United States. Representative Klein was the first witness. He was followed by Harry B. Mitchell, Chairman, Civil Service Commission, accompanied by John Overholt, Chief of the Efficiency Rating Administration Section, and John Mitchell, Chief, Statistical Division; Charles Foster, assistant director of national legislation, Disabled American Veterans; Thomas F. Curry, president, National Association of Federal Career Employees, accompanied by John Bartlett, president, Federal Career Employees Association of Washington, D. C.; Israel N. Stillman, president, Federal Career Employees Association of New York; and Miss Gertrude M. McNally, secretary-treasurer, National Federation of Federal Employees. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

MINERAL LEASES

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Mines and Mining voted to table H. R. 5312, providing for competitive bidding on oil and gas leases on acquired lands where competitive interest is shown. Adjourned subject to the call of the Chair.

INDIAN BILL

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Indian Affairs approved for reporting to the full committee H. R. 5105, amended, granting patent in fee to Jessie American Horse. Adjourned subject to the call of the Chair.

VETERANS' BILLS

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Ordered the following bills reported favorably to the House:

S. 1859, providing for the transfer of land in Ohio;

S. 2298, providing for the transfer of land in Milwaukee County, Wis.;

S. 2146, amending the Paraplegic Housing Act to include amputees and paralysis cases;

H. R. 5965, directing the construction of hospital facilities to provide 16,000 additional beds;

H. R. 6022, to increase pay of Veterans' Administration medical personnel;

S. 2115, to provide automobiles for amputees and blind of both World Wars I and II;

H. R. 5833, to permit building trades training on "live" projects under GI bill of rights; and

H. R. 6034, authorizing a hospital for Negro veterans at the birthplace of Booker T. Washington.

Also considered, but took no action, on the following bills:

H. R. 3941, transfer of land to State of Texas;

S. 672, extend time for accumulation of educational benefits under GI bill;

H. R. 5932, extending pension benefits to those who served in the Philippine Archipelago from 1902 to 1914;

H. R. 1441, providing pensions for certain persons who served on vessels operated by Quartermaster in the war with Spain;

H. R. 1548, granting gratuitous national service life insurance to certain aviation cadets;

H. R. 5262, granting Mexican border veterans same benefits as World War I; and

H. R. 4074, hospitalization for Spanish War veterans.

Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

Joint Committee Meetings

ATOMIC ENERGY

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: The committee met in a night executive session to consider personnel security cases.

FOREIGN-AID APPROPRIATIONS

Conferees on H. R. 4830, foreign-aid appropriations, met in morning and afternoon executive sessions to work out differences between the House- and Senate-passed versions of the bill, but failed to reach final agreement. Conferees adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

Wednesday, August 24, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate rejected House adjournment resolution and continued work on Interior appropriations.

House continued work on housing bill.

Senate Interstate Committee approved FTC nomination and held up FPC nomination, as well as approving noncontroversial Coast Guard and airport bills.

Tidelands oil hearings opened by House committee.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 12132–12137

Bills Introduced: Five bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 2476 to S. 2480; and S. Res. 160. Page 12132

Bills Reported: Report was made as follows: H. R. 1824, to provide for crediting civilian service in computing military pay of former civilian employees of certain Government departments who were transferred to Coast Guard in military status (S. Rept. 954). Page 12132

Bills Referred: Three House-passed bills were referred to appropriate committees. Page 12137

Senator Leahy: Edward L. Leahy was sworn in as Senator from Rhode Island to fill the vacancy created by resignation of Senator McGrath. Page 12120

House Recess: Senate rejected, by 25 yeas to 58 nays, H. Con. Res. 129, providing that House stand adjourned from August 26 to September 21. Prior to this, the Senate had rejected, by 34 yeas to 48 nays, Capehart amendment to this resolution providing that both House and Senate adjourn sine die on September 30, 1949.

Senator Taft subsequently entered a motion to reconsider vote by which H. Con. Res. 129 had been rejected. Pages 12137–12139

Interior Appropriations: Senate continued work on H. R. 3838, Interior Department appropriations for 1950, adopting all noncontroversial committee amendments, modifying some of them, as well as taking the following actions thereon:

By 45 yeas to 35 nays, adopted Magnuson amendment to add after the committee amendment increasing by $357,000 funds for Bonneville Power Administration, the following language: "including funds for construction of Kerr-Anaconda transmission facilities."

By voice vote, adopted: Hayden amendment to increase by $322,500, authorizations provided in committee amendment for power transmission facilities, Bonneville Power Administration; two Russell amendments to increase by $66,000 funds for repair of fish-cultural facilities at Warm Springs, Ga.; Hayden amendment to strike out entire title of bill concerning Virgin Islands Company; Hayden amendment to increase by $7,675 funds for Office of Secretary of Interior; and two amendments by Senator Thomas of Oklahoma transferring land and any proceeds from sale of land to Fort Sill Indian School.

Several of the more controversial amendments were passed over until tomorrow. Pages 12105–12131, 12150–12162

Confirmations: Ninety civilian nominations were confirmed, all but one of which were in the U. S. Public Health Service. Pages 12162–12163

Committee Meetings

FARM PROGRAM

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Committee continued its hearings on farm legislation recommendations by its Subcommittee on Price Support Program with Allen B. Kline, president, American Farm Bureau Federation, testifying in support of the subcommittee's recommendations. Charles W. Holman, secretary, National Cooperative Milk Producers Association, appeared before the committee offering amendments to the proposed legislation. Hearings continue tomorrow.

FLORIDA KEYS AQUEDUCT COMMISSION

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee voted to report to the full committee with a clarifying amendment S. 489, to authorize refund to the Florida Keys Aqueduct Commission of the sum advanced for certain water facilities.

FOREIGN MILITARY AID

Committees on Armed Services and Foreign Relations: In a morning executive session, the committees continued work on marking up for reporting to the Senate S. 2388, to provide military assistance to foreign nations,

discussing proposed amendments (Russell amendment primarily) to define in specific categories the matériel to be consigned to foreign countries as military aid.

The committees agreed to appoint a subcommittee to consider the details of such amendment and report back on the same to the full committees. The subcommittee appointed, consisting of Senators Tydings, Russell, Knowland, and Saltonstall, met in an afternoon executive session to consider its assignment, but made no announcement of action taken.

Full committees meet again tomorrow.

COAL INDUSTRY LABOR NEGOTIATIONS

Committee on Banking and Currency: Continuing its hearings on the effect of the proposed coal "czar" appointment and the 3-day workweek in the coal mines on independent producers and consumer prices, the committee heard the following witnesses discuss the effect of monopoly in labor organizations upon the steel industry and specifically upon such small-business enterprise: Admiral Ben Moreell, chairman and president, Jones & Laughlin Steel Co., Pittsburgh; Luke Sawyer, executive vice president, Babcock & Wilcox Tube Co., Beaver Falls, Pa.; and W. H. Colvin, Jr., president, Crucible Steel Co. of America, New York. Hearings continue tomorrow.

GOVERNMENT CONTRACTS—PROFITS INVESTIGATION

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Continuing hearings on the use of influence in Government procurement, the Investigations Subcommittee received testimony from Maj. Gen. Herman Feldman concerning his relations with James V. Hunt & Co.; Joe Major, liaison officer, WAA, concerning his dealings with James V. Hunt & Co. and John Maragon; and Maj. Gen. Edmund Gregory, retired, former Quartermaster General of the Army, and Administrator of the WAA, concerning employment and activities of James V. Hunt. Hearings continue tomorrow.

COAST GUARD, AIRPORTS, AND FTC AND FPC NOMINATIONS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: In executive session, the committee voted to report favorably to the Senate H. R. 1824, to provide for crediting civilian service in computing military pay of former civilian employees of certain Government departments who were transferred to Coast Guard in military status; H. J. Res. 338, relating to development and improvement of Logan International Airport at Boston, Mass., during fiscal year 1950; and S. 2436, to increase by $4 million the $13 million authorization approved by Congress last year for construction of airports in Alaska.

By vote of 8 to 4, the committee voted to report favorably the nomination of John J. Carson to be a member of the Federal Trade Commission, together with 225 routine nominations in the Coast Guard, and one nomination in the Coast and Geodetic Survey.

By a vote of 8 to 2, the committee decided to refer the nomination of Leland Olds to be a member of the Federal Power Commission to subcommittee for further hearings. The subcommittee appointed to hold the hearings consists of Senators Johnson of Texas, chairman, McFarland, Johnson of Colorado, Reed, and Bricker.

PRIVATE BILL

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee concluded its hearings on a private bill, S. 1027.

JUDICIAL EMPLOYEES, MAILS, AND POSTAL EMPLOYEES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: In executive session, committee voted to report favorably to the full committee, with amendment, S. 549, providing civil-service status for persons serving 4 years as secretary, law clerk, or law secretary to a Federal judge, subject to qualifying under noncompetitive examination; and, without amendment, S. 1097, a private bill.

It voted to postpone indefinitely S. 1983, to prohibit the mailing of certain diseased chickens, and S. 2000, to adjust the salaries of certain rural postal clerks.

It agreed to hold public hearings at a later date on S. 1958, to grant overtime service compensation to certain postal employees, and S. 2450, relating to payment of compensation to Government employees restored to duty after erroneous suspension.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Seventeen public bills, H. R. 6108–6124; five private bills, H. R. 6125–6129; and four resolutions, H. J. Res. 348, H. Con. Res. 129 and 130, and H. Res. 341, were introduced.

Pages 12163, 12187, 12192–12193

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. R. 5953, to authorize contributions to CARE, Inc. (H. Rept. 1305);

S. 2085, amending the Employment Act of 1946 with respect to the Joint Committee on the Economic Report (H. Rept. 1306);

S. 1859, relative to transfer of tract of land for use of the Bureau of Prisons from the Administrator of Veterans' Affairs to the U. S. Attorney General (H. Rept. 1307);

S. 2115, authorizing payments by the Administrator of Veterans' Affairs on the purchase of automobiles or other conveyances by certain disabled veterans, amended (H. Rept. 1308);

S. 2146, providing certain additional rehabilitation assistance for certain seriously disabled veterans in order to remove an existing inequality (H. Rept. 1309);

S. 2298, authorizing the Administrator of Veterans' Affairs to convey certain lands and to lease certain other land to Milwaukee County, Wis. (H. Rept. 1310);

Two private bills, H. R. 2919 and 5105 (H. Repts. 1311 and 1312, respectively);

H. R. 2196, elimination of land from the Flathead Indian irrigation project, amended (H. Rept. 1313);

H. R. 5833, relating to full-time institutional trade and industrial training for veterans, amended (H. Rept. 1314);

H. R. 5965, providing for the construction of certain VA hospitals (H. Rept. 1315);

H. R. 6022, increasing the rates of compensation of certain employees of the Department of Medicine and Surgery of the Veterans' Administration (H. Rept. 1316);

H. R. 6034, providing for the establishment of a veterans' hospital for Negro veterans at the birthplace of Booker T. Washington in Franklin County, Va. (H. Rept. 1317);

H. R. 2186, providing for a location survey for a railroad connecting the existing railroad system serving the United States and Canada and terminating at Prince George, British Columbia, Canada, with the railroad system serving Alaska and terminating at Fairbanks, Alaska, amended (H. Rept. 1318);

S. 936, care and custody of insane persons charged with or convicted of offenses against the United States (H. Rept. 1319); and

Third intermediate report entitled "Study of the War-Housing Disposal Program of the Housing and Home Finance Agency and the Public Housing Administration" (H. Rept. 1320).

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House Adjournment: Adopted H. Con. Res. 129, providing that when the House adjourns on Friday, August 26, it stand adjourned until 12 o'clock noon Wednesday, September 21.

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Private Bills: Passed and cleared for the President S. 1565, a private bill.

Passed, without amendment, H. R. 5354, 6006, and 6007, all private bills.

Passed, amended, and sent back to the Senate, S. 627, a private bill.

Pages 12166–12167

Housing Amendments: Resumed consideration of H. R. 6070, to amend the National Housing Act, as amended, and while in the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union adopted the following amendments designed to—

Provide for direct loans by the VA to veterans for housing purposes at 4 percent interest in instances where private financing is not available.

Provide for direct loans to veterans cooperative housing projects at 4 percent interest in instances where private financing is not available.

Prohibit discrimination and segregation in housing projects.

Also adopted clarifying amendments.

Rejected amendments that would have—

Provided $1 billion at 3 percent interest for direct loans to moderate-income families for housing.

Increased from $2,500 to $5,000 the amount lendable for repairs and alterations.

Required Presidential approval of certain increased obligations.

Prevented the original purchaser from raising the interest rates to a new buyer when he buys his property.

Pages 12167–12187

Temporary Appropriations: Adopted H. J. Res. 348, extending the time from September 15 to October 1, 1949, in which temporary appropriations may be used for certain governmental functions pending approval of regular appropriation bills.

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Minority Employee: Adopted H. Res. 341, providing for the employment of Beecher Hess as a minority employee.

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Railroad Construction: Adopted committee amendments and passed H. R. 2186, providing for a location survey for a railroad connecting the existing railroad system serving the United States and Canada and terminating at Prince George, British Columbia, Canada, with the railroad system serving Alaska and terminating at Fairbanks, Alaska.

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Committee Meetings

TERMINAL MARKETS

Committee on Agriculture: Postponed proposed New York study of terminal markets and commodity exchanges.

B–36 INQUIRY

Committee on Armed Services: Gen. Omar Bradley, Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff, testified today in connection with the B–36 bomber procurement inquiry. Following his testimony, Cedric R. Worth, special assistant to the Assistant Secretary of the Navy for Air, admitted that he was author of the "anonymous document" concerning the B–36's for which the investigation was called. He was questioned at length by the committee and is scheduled to appear again at tomorrow morning's meeting.

FOREIGN INVESTMENTS

Committee on Banking and Currency: Concluded hearings on H. R. 5594, to vest in the Export-Import Bank of Washington the power to guarantee United States investments abroad. Richard Frost, representing the Detroit Board of Commerce, testified that a full utilization of the "guaranty principle" to encourage private investments abroad will be the least burdensome upon the U. S. taxpayer and would, in his opinion, accomplish the most good in the way of permanent benefits. Adjourned subject to the call of the Chair.

ECONOMIC REPORT

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Ordered reported to the House S. 2085, amending the Employment Act of 1946 with respect to the Joint Committee on the Economic Report. This Senate-approved bill is the companion measure to H. R. 5868, which was studied by the committee.

Also adopted the report of the Subcommittee on Government Operations on the war-housing disposal program of the Housing and Home Finance Agency and the Public Housing Administration. Adjourned subject to the call of the Chair.

CARE

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Ordered reported to the House H. R. 5953, to authorize contributions to CARE, Inc.

MONOPOLY

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Study of Monopoly Power heard the testimony of Lowell Mason, Acting Chairman, and Dr. John Blair, Chief Economist, both of the Federal Trade Commission, at today's meeting.

TIDELANDS

Committee on the Judiciary: Opened hearings on H. R. 5991 and 5992, bills relating to exploration, development, and conservation of certain resources in submerged coastal lands and provide for use and disposition of said lands. Testifying on this subject today were Hall Hamond, attorney general of Maryland, and chairman, submerged lands committee, National Association of Attorney Generals; Fred Howser, attorney general of California; Boliver Kemp, attorney general of Louisiana; Price Daniel, attorney general of Texas; Bascom Giles, land commissioner of Texas; Harold Fatzer, attorney general of Kansas; T. C. Callison, assistant attorney general of South Carolina; Ralph E. Odum, assistant attorney general of Florida; E. W. Mattoon, assistant attorney general of California; L. H. Perez of Louisiana; A. H. Gee, general counsel, Ohio Oil Co., Findley, Ohio; and Walter H. Hallanan, president, Plymouth Oil Co., Pittsburgh, Pa.

Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

VETERANS' PREFERENCE

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Held further hearings on H. R. 2446, to amend the Veterans' Preference Act to preserve the equities of permanent classified civil-service employees of the United States. Witnesses testifying on this legislation were Gen. John Thomas Taylor, national legislative representative, the American Legion; Joseph A. Clorety, national vice chairman, American Veterans Committee; Col. Charles I. Stengle, legislative representative, American Federation of Government Employees; J. L. Nelson, national commander, Federal Employees Veterans Association; Abraham Ziegler, commander, Post R4-1, Federal Employees Veterans Association, accompanied by Paul Moreland; Charlie L. Pace, national legislature officer, War Veterans in Federal Employment; Lloyd E. Henry, national legislative committeeman, Military Order of the Purple Heart; Charles M. Maize, legislative committeeman, Columbia Lodge of International Association of Machinists, accompanied by K. M. Harford, conductor of Columbia Lodge; William C. Armbrust, president, United National Association of Post Office Clerks; E. C. Hallbeck, legislative representative, National Federation of Post Office Clerks; Jesse Horton, legislative representative, National Association of Postal Supervisors; and Ross Messer, legislative representative, National Association of Post Office Maintenance Employees.

Adjourned subject to the call of the Chair.

INDIANS—NATIONAL PARKS

Committee on Public Lands: Ordered the following bills reported to the House:

H. R. 2196, eliminating certain lands from the Flathead Indian irrigation project;

H. R. 2919, patent-in-fee to Anna High Horse;

H. R. 5105, patent-in-fee to Jessie American Horse; and

H. R. 5872, extending boundaries of the Toiyabe National Forest in Nevada. Howard Hopkins and C. J. Olsen of the Forest Service testified on behalf of this bill.

Also considered, but took no action on, H. R. 1389, participation of States, Territories, and insular possessions in revenues from national parks, national monuments, and other areas. Conrad L. Wirth, National Park Service, testified in favor of this bill. Hearings will be continued tomorrow morning.

Thursday, August 25, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed Interior and third deficiency appropriation bills, and began consideration of Military Establishment appropriations.

House passed housing bill amendments and voted to begin 3-day recesses.

Senate groups approved Korean aid and adopted excess matériel amendment to foreign military-aid bill.

B-36 bomber procurement inquiry postponed until October 5.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 12194-12198

Bills Introduced: Fourteen bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2481 to S. 2494; S. Con. Res. 63; and S. Res. 161. Pages 12195-12196, 12236-12237

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 2436, to increase by $4 million the $13 million authorization approved by Congress last year for construction of airports in Alaska (S. Rept. 955);

H. J. Res. 338, relating to development and improvement of Logan International Airport at Boston, Mass., during fiscal year 1950 (S. Rept. 956); and

S. 2105, to stimulate exploration for and conservation of strategic minerals, with amendment (S. Rept. 957). Page 12195

Bills Referred: Four House-passed bills were referred to appropriate committees. Pages 12196-12197

Bill Placed on Calendar: H. R. 6070, to amend the National Housing Act, was placed on calendar. (See House Chamber.) Page 12197

Interior Appropriations: Senate passed, with amendments, H. R. 3838, Interior appropriations for 1950, after rejecting Douglas motion to recommit the bill with instructions to the Committee on Appropriations to report the bill as it had passed the House. Prior to this, the following action was taken on amendments:

Rejected committee amendment reducing by $342,186 funds for Anderson Ranch Dam, Idaho;

Adopted: Committee amendment increasing by $408,750 funds for Payette Division; committee amendment increasing by $7,239,890 funds for Central Valley project, California, after adopting Knowland amendment to committee amendment so as to earmark $100,000 for survey of power facilities and $2 million for Shasta-Tracy transmission line; committee amendment increasing by $1,897,750 funds for Colorado-Big Thompson project, after adopting a modified Murray amendment thereto to add language: "including funds for construction of Brighton to Flatiron transmission line"; committee amendment respecting Canyon Ferry reservoir after adopting Hill amendment to strike out language regarding power lines from Canyon Ferry project; committee amendment authorizing expenditure of unobligated balance of 1949 appropriation for development of Pacific fisheries; Magnuson amendment increasing by $20,000 funds for commercial fisheries; committee amendment respecting Fort Peck project, after adopting Murray amendment thereto adding $1.3 million to the $70,200 increase in committee amendment; Ferguson amendment to increase by $256,000 funds for eradication of predatory lampreys (after reconsidering vote by which committee amendment on same subject had been adopted); Ferguson amendment providing five additional passenger cars for use of Fish and Wildlife Service; committee amendment increasing by $7,846,060 funds for general plan of development of Missouri River Basin; two McCarthy amendments to increase by $17,000 funds for construction of Indian service buildings on Menominee Reservation, Wis., and to increase by $50,000 funds for repair of roads on this reservation; and amendment by Senator Johnson of Colorado to include $63,600 to be used by Travel Division of National Park Service.

All votes on the bill today were by voice.

A conference was asked and the following conferees were appointed: Senators Hayden, Thomas of Oklahoma, O'Mahoney, Wherry, and Gurney.

Pages 12199, 12204-12223, 12225-12236

GAR Resolutions Adopted: Senate adopted H. Con. Res. 102, providing for attendance of a joint congressional committee at the eighty-third and final encampment of the GAR, and H. Con. Res. 103, authorizing appropriation for that committee. Page 12236

Charles G. Dawes: Senate adopted S. Res. 161, extending felicitations to former Vice President Charles Gates Dawes on the occasion of his eighty-fourth birthday.

Pages 12236-12237

Third Deficiency Appropriations: Senate passed with amendments H. R. 5300, third deficiency appropriations for 1949, after adopting all committee amendments (one on General Services Administration was modified) together with an amendment by Senator Morse to increase by $40,000 funds for Mediation and Conciliation Service, and an amendment by Senator Gurney to extend until April 2, 1950, the time for filing claims under the Motor Carrier Claims Commission Act.

A conference was then requested and the following Senators appointed as conferees: McKellar, Hayden, Russell, Bridges, and Gurney. Pages 12238–12248

Inter-American Affairs: Conference report on S. 1250, to continue the Institute of Inter-American Affairs, was agreed to, clearing the bill for the President. Pages 12248–12249

Military Appropriations: Senate began consideration of, but did not act on any amendments to, H. R. 4146, National Military Establishment appropriations for 1950, after agreeing to set aside temporarily the unfinished business S. 653, minimum-wage-increase bill. Senator Humphrey filed a motion to suspend the rules to offer an amendment to the bill relative to aiding small business. Pages 12249–12253

Confirmations: Two hundred and sixty-three civilian nominations and numerous miscellaneous armed service nominations were confirmed. Pages 12255–12256

Nominations: Senate received 52 postmaster nominations and 2 other civilians. One postmaster nomination was withdrawn. Pages 12254–12255

Committee Meetings

FARM PROGRAM

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Committee concluded hearings on farm legislation recommendations by its Subcommittee on Price Support Program, after receiving testimony generally in support of the recommendations by John J. Riggle, assistant secretary, National Council of Farmer Cooperatives, and R. F. Wilcox, assistant general manager, Fruit Growers Exchange of California, and chairman of marketing and foreign trade committee of the National Council of Farmer Cooperatives. C. Kyle Randall and Dr. F. F. Elliott, both of the BAE of the Department of Agriculture, gave a technical discussion of proposed inclusion of hired farm labor wages in parity index.

THIRD DEFICIENCY APPROPRIATIONS—KOREAN AID

Committee on Appropriations: In executive session, the committee approved various amendments to be offered as amendments on the Senate floor to the Third Deficiency appropriation bill (H. R. 5300). The amendments adopted include one which would appropriate $30 million for Korean aid up to September 15, 1949, together with various other technical and clarifying amendments.

FOREIGN MILITARY AID

Committees on Armed Services and Foreign Relations: Committees, in joint session, continued their work marking up for reporting to the Senate S. 2388, to provide military assistance to foreign nations, approving two amendments by Senator Vandenberg and one by Senator Russell, together with various perfecting committee amendments, including one to require the President to enter into an agreement with a country prior to furnishing military aid provided for by this bill.

The two adopted Vandenberg amendments, to be reported with the bill, are designed to tie the military aid furnished under this bill more closely to the plans of the Council and Defense Committee established under the North Atlantic Treaty.

The amendment by Senator Russell, which was adopted, would define in four specific categories the excess matériel to be consigned to foreign countries as military aid, and to limit this amount to not to exceed $450 million. Committees meet again tomorrow.

COAL INDUSTRY AND LABOR NEGOTIATIONS

Committee on Banking and Currency: Committee held further hearings on the effect of the proposed coal "czar" appointment and the 3-day workweek in the coal mines on independent producers and consumer prices with S. Weaver Myers, attorney, of Hamel, Park & Sanders, Washington, D. C., on various internal-revenue aspects of charitable trusts; from Ed H. Miller, Washington attorney, on development of antimonopoly laws and labor organizations as monopolies; and Randolph Crossley, Hawaii's Employees' Council, on monopoly in labor unions and the current longshoremen's strike in Hawaii. Hearings continue tomorrow.

MUTUAL SAVINGS BANKS, AND FEDERAL SAVINGS AND LOAN ASSOCIATION

Committee on Banking and Currency: In executive session, the subcommittee agreed to report favorably to the full committee, with amendments, S. 1175, to amend the Home Owners' Loan Act of 1933 to permit Federal savings and loan associations to convert into mutual savings banks, and S. 2006, to amend the Home Owners' Loan Act of 1933 to prescribe conditions upon which a Federal savings and loan association may retain or establish and operate a branch.

GOVERNMENT CONTRACTS—PROFITS INVESTIGATION

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Investigations Subcommittee continued hearings on the use of influence in Government procurement, with George Chadwick, Washington, D. C., attorney, and Herbert W. Bertine, former WAA employee in New York, discussing the activities of the Trans-American Traders, Inc. Francis D. Flanagan, subcommittee staff, placed correspondence and papers in the record concerning activities of John Maragon and Gen. Harry Vaughan. Hearings continue tomorrow.

FOREIGN-TRADE ZONES, AND ZINC

Committee on Finance: In executive session, the committee discussed H. R. 5332, to amend section 3 of the act of June 18, 1934, relating to the establishment of foreign-trade zones, and S. 639, to exempt from import duty zinc in blocks, pigs, or slabs under certain conditions. It considered the possibility of offering S. 639 as an amendment to H. R. 5332.

DISPLACED PERSONS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee held further hearings on displaced-persons legislation, with Representative Celler appearing in support of such legislation, and David Whatley in behalf of German expellees. Hearings continue tomorrow.

PRIVATE BILL

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee held hearings on H. R. 4564, a private bill.

PUBLIC HEALTH

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: In executive session, subcommittee voted to report to the full committee, with amendments, S. 1651, to provide for creation of a research institute in rheumatism, arthritis, and metabolics, and a research institute in neurology and blindness, both in the U. S. Public Health Service.

RIVER AND HARBOR AND FLOOD CONTROL

Committee on Public Works: Committee held hearings on H. R. 5472, general flood-control and river and harbor bill, with Senator Byrd and State Senator Marvin Minter of Virginia appearing in support of project for Davis Creek, Va., and for Winter Harbor, Va.; Representative Peterson in favor of project for St. Joseph Sound, Ozona, Fla.; Merrill Winslatt, assistant to Representative Sikes, in support of intercoastal waterway from Big Lagoon to Pensacola Bay, Fla.; Representative Marsalis and Senator Johnson of Colorado in support of flood-control projects on Arkansas River at Pueblo, Colo.; and Senator Malone in support of Humboldt River project, Nevada. Hearings continue tomorrow.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Eleven public bills, H. R. 6130–6140; nine private bills, H. R. 6141–6149; and fourteen resolutions, H. J. Res. 349 and 350, H. Con. Res. 131–133, and H. Res. 342–350, were introduced. Pages 12294–12295

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

Disposition of executive papers (H. Repts. 1321 and 1322);

H. R. 6114, to set aside certain lands in Oklahoma, formerly a part of the Cheyenne-Arapaho Reservation and known as the Fort Reno Military Reservation, for the Cheyenne-Arapaho Tribes of Oklahoma (H. Rept. 1323);

H. J. Res. 349, to amend the National Housing Act, as amended (H. Rept. 1324);

H. R. 5903, to amend the Hospital Survey and Construction Act to extend its duration and to provide greater financial assistance in the construction of hospitals (H. Rept. 1325);

H. Res. 342, making in order motions to suspend the rules on August 25, 1949 (H. Rept. 1326);

H. Res. 345, providing for the House to meet only on Tuesday and Friday of each week, unless otherwise ordered, until September 21, 1949 (H. Rept. 1327);

H. Res. 346, providing for consideration of, and 2 hours of debate on, H. R. 5931, to establish a standard schedule of rates of basic compensation for certain governmental employees; to provide an equitable system for fixing and adjusting the rates of basic compensation of individual employees; and to repeal the Classification Act of 1923 as amended (H. Rept. 1328);

H. Res. 319, providing for the consideration of, and 2 hours of general debate on, H. R. 4495, to provide additional benefits for certain postmasters, officers, and employees in the postal service with respect to annual and sick leave, longevity pay, and promotions; amended (H. Rept. 1329);

S. 1479, conversion of village delivery service at second-class post offices to city letter-carrier service (H. Rept. 1330);

S. 1825, promotions for temporary employees in the mail equipment shops (H. Rept. 1331);

H. R. 5951, to amend section 3 of the Travel Expense Act of 1949 (H. Rept. 1332); and

H. J. Res. 340, to clarify the status of the Architect of the Capitol under the Federal Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949 (H. Rept. 1333). Pages 12293–12294

Housing Amendments: After rejecting a recommittal motion, the House, by voice vote, passed H. R. 6070, to amend the National Housing Act, as amended. As passed by the House the bill is essentially the same as reported from the committee with the exception of a few technical changes in language.

When consideration of H. R. 6070 was resumed in the Committee of the Whole, a committee substitute amendment for the original text as amended on Wednesday was offered, after which the following amendments to the committee amendment were rejected:

To provide for direct loans at 4 percent to veterans and veterans' cooperative housing projects where private financing is not available.

To prohibit discrimination and segregation in housing projects, also to require a no-discrimination clause in all construction contracts for Government housing.

To provide $1 billion at 3 percent interest for direct loans to cooperative housing projects for moderate-income families.

To authorize the sale of federally owned war housing with no down payments and 45-year loans at 3 percent. Pages 12258–12269

Insane: Adopted perfecting amendments and passed S. 936, to establish procedure for care and custody of insane persons convicted of Federal offenses. Pages 12270–12271

Picketing: Passed H. R. 5647, to prohibit the picketing of United States courts. Page 12271

Veterans' Legislation: The House today considered and passed the following bills dealing with veterans' legislation:

S. 1859, relative to transfer of tract of land for use of the Bureau of Prisons from the Administrator of Veterans' Affairs to the U. S. Attorney General.

S. 2298, authorizing the Administrator of Veterans' Affairs to convey certain lands and to lease certain other land to Milwaukee County, Wis.

H. R. 6022, increasing the rates of compensation of certain employees of the Department of Medicine and Surgery of the Veterans' Administration.

S. 2146, providing certain additional rehabilitation assistance for certain seriously disabled veterans in order to remove an existing inequality.

S. 2115, authorizing payments by the Administrator of Veterans' Affairs on the purchase of automobiles or other conveyances by certain disabled veterans. This bill was amended to include World War I veterans.

H. R. 5833, relating to full-time institutional trade and industrial training for veterans, with committee amendments. Pages 12271–12272, 12274–12279

Oklahoma Indian Lands: Passed H. R. 6114, to set aside certain lands in Oklahoma, formerly a part of the Cheyenne-Arapaho Reservation and known as the Fort Reno Military Reservation, for the Cheyenne-Arapaho Tribes of Oklahoma. Pages 12281–12283

Private Bills: Considered and passed H. J. Res. 337 and S. 973, both private bills. Page 12283

Suspension of Rules: Adopted H. Res. 342, making in order motions to suspend the rules on August 25, 1949. Pages 12285–12286

Housing: Voted to suspend the rules and adopt S. J. Res. 109, as amended by the House to provide a 60-day extension of title I and section 608 of title VI of the National Housing Act. The resolution also provides an increase of $500 million in insurance authority under title II. Pages 12286–12287

House Meetings: Adopted H. Res. 345, providing for the House to meet only on Tuesday and Friday of each week, unless otherwise ordered, until September 21, 1949. Page 12287

Committee Meetings

B–36 INQUIRY

Committee on Armed Services: Cedric R. Worth, former special assistant to the Assistant Secretary of the Navy for Air, and self-admitted author of the "anonymous document" which brought about the B–36 bomber procurement inquiry, continued answering questions at today's meeting. Other witnesses heard today were Floyd Odlum, president of the Atlas Corp.; Col. J. W. Sessums, U. S. Air Force; Harvey Tafe, representing Convair; and Attorney Weisl, New York City. Adjourned hearing until October 5.

TIDELANDS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 1 continued hearings on H. R. 5991 and 5992, bills relating to exploration, development, and conservation of certain resources in submerged coastal lands and providing for use and disposition of said lands. The following industry representatives testified today: E. L. Bullard, president, Stanolind Oil & Gas Co., Tulsa, Okla.; Herman Kaveler, assistant to vice president, Phillips Petroleum Co., Bartlesville, Okla.; Hines H. Baker, president, Humble Oil & Refining Co., Houston, Tex.; and Ernie Pyles, Jergins Oil Co., Long Beach, Calif. Hearings will be continued on Monday.

POSTAL EMPLOYEES—SUBVERSIVE MAIL

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Ordered the following bills reported to the House:

S. 1825, promotions for temporary postal employees;

S. 1479, to abolish the village delivery service of the Post Office Department, and to transfer village carriers to the city delivery service; and

H. R. 5265, to require identifying information on matter mailed by or on behalf of certain Communist, Fascist, totalitarian, and other subversive organizations.

Also appointed subcommittees for the study of bills, as follows: H. R. 4002 (Mr. Williams, chairman), to provide a fidelity trust fund in the Post Office Department; and H. R. 4285 (Mr. Whitaker, chairman), seniority and pay adjustments for postal field employees who are veterans of World War II.

CHEYENNE-ARAPAHO INDIANS—NATIONAL PARKS

Committee on Public Lands: Ordered H. R. 6114 reported to the House. This bill would set aside certain lands in Oklahoma, formerly a part of the Cheyenne-Arapaho Reservation and known as the Fort Reno Military Reservation, for the Cheyenne-Arapaho Tribes of Oklahoma.

Held further hearings on H. R. 1389, participation of States, Territories, and insular possessions in revenues from national parks, national monuments, and other areas. Conrad L. Wirth, National Park Service, concluded his statement in favor of the legislation. Took no action and adjourned subject to the call of the Chair.

BRIDGES

Committee on Public Works: Held hearings on H. R. 5956 and 5734, providing a method of financing the acquisition and construction by the city of Duluth, Minn., of certain bridges across the St. Louis River. Representatives Blatnik and O'Konski, authors of the bills, addressed the committee. Also testifying, were George W. Johnson, mayor, and Wally Lund, finance commissioner, both of Duluth, Minn.; George Ericson, president of the city council, and William Deagan, city manager, both of Superior, Wis.; and Ernest E. Howard, consulting engineer.

Representatives Cooper and Jones of Missouri, authors of H. R. 6108 and 6109, respectively, both spoke before the committee in connection with the two identical bills relating to granting the consent of Congress to a compact or agreement between the State of Tennessee and the State of Missouri concerning a Tennessee-Missouri Bridge Commission.

ADJOURNMENT—POSTAL AND FEDERAL PAY BILLS

Committee on Rules: Ordered reported to the House H. Res. 342, making in order motions to suspend the rules on August 25, 1949; and H. Res. 345, providing for the House to meet only on Tuesday and Friday of each week, unless otherwise ordered, until September 21, 1949. Representatives Spence and Wolcott urged the first-mentioned resolution.

Also approved H. Res. 319, amended, granting 2 hours' House debate for consideration of H. R. 4495, relating to pay and leave regulations for postal employees; and H. Res. 346, granting 2 hours' House debate on H. R. 5931, establishing standard rates of pay for Federal employees and rewriting the Civil Service Classification Act of 1923. Adjourned subject to the call of the Chair.

Joint Committee Meetings

ATOMIC ENERGY

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Following an executive session with officials of the AEC, at which a quorum was not present, the chairman announced, with the concurrence of the members of the committee present, the termination of further investigation of the administration of the AEC.

INDIANS

Conferees on S. 1407, to promote rehabilitation of Navajo and Hopi Tribes of Indians, met in executive session and agreed to file a conference report.

Friday, August 26, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate worked on Military Establishment appropriations, adopting various amendments.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 12296–12297

Bills Introduced: Four bills were introduced, as follows: S. 2495 to S. 2498. Page 12297

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 240, to stimulate exploration, production, and conservation of strategic and critical ores, metals, and minerals, and for the establishment in the Interior Depart-

ment of a Mine Incentive Payments Division (S. Rept. 958); and

The following private bills: S. 477, H. R. 2706, 2920, 3616, 3667, 3886, and 4254 (S. Repts. 959–965, inclusive).

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Bills Referred: Four House-passed bills were referred to appropriate committees. Page 12298

Bill Placed on Calendar: H. R. 5647, to prohibit the picketing of U. S. courts, was placed on the calendar.

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Housing: Senate agreed to House amendment to S. J. Res. 109, extending for 60 days title I and section 608 of National Housing Act, and to amend title II of National Housing Act by increasing funds by a possible $500 million, clearing the bill for the President.

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Insane: Senate agreed to House amendment to S. 936, to establish procedure for care and custody of insane persons convicted of Federal offenses, clearing the bill for the President. Page 12298

Military Appropriations: Senate worked on H. R. 4146, Military Establishment appropriations for 1950, adopting by voice vote all committee amendments, as reported, with the following exceptions: Adopted, by 49 yeas to 9 nays, committee amendment reducing by $577,755,000 funds for Department of Air Force.

Committee amendment, as modified, barring payment of funds on contracts when use is made of time studies of employees, was eliminated on point of order by Senator Taft as legislation in an appropriation bill. A similar amendment offered by Senator Thomas of Oklahoma was also eliminated on the same grounds. Motion by Senator Thomas of Oklahoma to suspend the rules and adopt a similar modified amendment was rejected by 23 yeas to 33 nays.

Adopted committee amendment (as modified by Senator Flanders) providing that negotiated contracts in excess of $1,000 shall be subject to Renegotiation Act of 1948, after adopting Kilgore amendment thereto, respecting exemption of subcontracts.

Two amendments from the floor, as follows, were adopted by voice vote: Knowland amendment respecting construction of public works; and modified Humphrey "small business" amendment.

Pending at recess was Wiley amendment (to amend committee amendment) to bar use of oleomargarine in armed services.

It was agreed that Senate would vote on bill and all amendments thereto at 2 p. m., Monday, August 29, the time between 11 a. m. and 2 p. m. to be controlled by Senators Lucas and McClellan.

Pages 12298–12334, 12338–12339

Nominations: Four civilian nominations, including three to be members of the Motor Carriers Claims Commission: Thomas W. O'Hara of Wyoming, chairman; Ernest M. Smith of Georgia; and Frank E. Hook of Michigan. Page 12340

Committee Meetings

FOREIGN MILITARY AID

Committees on Armed Services and Foreign Relations: Continuing its work marking up for reporting to the Senate S. 2388, to provide military assistance to foreign nations, the committees met in executive session with Gen. Omar Bradley, Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff, but reached no vote on any amendment or any of the remaining sections of the bill left to be approved. Committees continue August 29.

COAL INDUSTRY LABOR NEGOTIATIONS

Committee on Banking and Currency: Ezra Van Horn, trustee, UMWA welfare and retirement fund, Cleveland, appeared before the committee to discuss various phases of the administration of the UMWA welfare and retirement fund in connection with the committee's study of the effect of the proposed coal "czar" appointment and the 3-day workweek in coal mines on independent producers and consumer prices.

Committee adjourned these hearings sine die.

NATIONAL BANKS

Committee on Banking and Currency: Subcommittee, in executive session, voted to report adversely to the full committee for the time being H. R. 1161, providing for the conversion, merger, or consolidation of national banks with State banks.

GOVERNMENT CONTRACTS—PROFITS INVESTIGATION

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: John S. Maragon was questioned by the Investigations Subcommittee on his activities in connection with the use of influence in Government procurement. Francis D. Flanagan and Carmine Bellino, both of the subcommittee staff, placed exhibits in the record on Mr. Maragon's financial activities. Hearings continue August 30.

DISPLACED PERSONS

Committee on the Judiciary: Continuing hearings on proposed displaced-persons legislation, the subcommittee heard Representative Gossett testify in opposition to such legislation. Subcommittee continues August 31.

RIVER AND HARBOR AND FLOOD CONTROL

Committee on Public Works: In open hearings on H. R. 5472, general flood-control and river and harbor bill, the committee received testimony from Senators O'Mahoney, Watkins, and Millikin relative to the Grand Prairie, Ark., project, with reference to irrigation features; from Senator Lucas in support of the flood-control project for Beardstown, Ill.; and from E. B. Staats, Bureau of the Budget, relative to contents of S. 1576, providing for a study commission for the Arkansas-White and Red River Basins. Senator Millikin also appeared in behalf of a flood-control project at Pueblo, Colo. Hearings continue tomorrow.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Four public bills, H. R. 6150–6153; three private bills, H. R. 6154–6156. Page 12351

Speaker Pro Tempore: Adopted H. Res. 351, electing Representative Cox to act as Speaker pro tempore during the absence of the Speaker. Page 12344

Special Orders: Under special orders previously entered into, Representative Biemiller addressed the House concerning the President's medical program. Representative Wolverton also addressed the House on the subject of "The case of Mexican oil development."

Pages 12344–12351

Committee Meetings

WAR HOUSING DISPOSAL

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: The Subcommittee on Government Operations (Representative Hardy, chairman), announced release of its third intermediate report entitled "Study of the War-Housing-Disposal Program of the Housing and Home Finance Agency and the Public Housing Administration."

This pamphlet was printed as House Report 1320 and adopted at a meeting of the full committee last Wednesday. It also contains conclusions and suggestions to the Committees on Banking and Currency and Appropriations, and to the Housing and Home Finance Administrator.

Joint Committee Meetings

FORESTRY

Conferees on H. R. 2296, Federal-State cooperation in forestry activities, met in executive session to work out differences between the House- and Senate-passed versions of the bill, but failed to reach agreement. Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

Saturday, August 27, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed 95 bills on call of calendar, of which 48 were cleared for President.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 12352–12354

Bills Introduced: Five bills were introduced, as follows: S. 2499 to S. 2503. Page 12352

Bill Rereferred: Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs was discharged from further consideration of H. R. 892, to authorize the establishment of a Federal Interagency Committee on Recreation, and the bill was rereferred to the Committee on Labor and Public Welfare. Page 12352

Treaty Received: Senate received Convention Concerning Freedom of Association and Protection of the Right To Organize, adopted by International Labor Conference at San Francisco, July 1948. (Exec. S, 81st Cong., 1st sess.). Page 12388

Calendar Bills Passed: On call of the calendar, 95 unobjected-to bills, of which 46 were private, were passed as follows:

Without amendment and cleared for President:

Government employees: H. R. 3383, basing Federal employees' compensation for night work on either standard or daylight-saving time;

Puerto Rico: H. R. 5207, amending the Organic Act of Puerto Rico, relating to the expenses of courts and judges;

Alaska: H. R. 225, to authorize revision of certain laws of Alaska relative to imposing taxes for carrying on business and trade;

Acadia National Park: H. R. 4026, relating to exchange of certain properties within Acadia National Park, Maine;

Hawaiian bonds: H. R. 4688, ratifying and confirming certain session laws of Hawaii regarding revenue bonds;

Blind: H. R. 3637, to permit sending of braille writers to or from the blind at same postage rates as provided for their transportation for repair purposes;

Public land, New Mexico: H. R. 5620, permitting the use for public purposes of certain land in Hot Springs, N. Mex.;

Navajo Indian land: H. R. 5390, authorizing exchange of Navajo land for certain Utah State land;

Indian Affairs Bureau: H. R. 3881, to provide for use of State course of study in schools operated by the Bureau of Indian Affairs in South Dakota upon petition therefor;

Logan Airport: H. J. Res. 338, relating to development and improvement of Logan International Airport at Boston, Mass., during fiscal year 1950;

Army-Air Force retirement: H. R. 5929, to amend the Army and Air Force Vitalization and Retirement Equalization Act of 1948, relative to the fixation of time of Reserve component service for retirement purposes;

School aid: H. R. 3829, to provide assistance to certain local school agencies overburdened with war-incurred enrollments where such agencies received similar assistance during any prior fiscal year;

Fort Niagara Park: H. R. 4073, conveyance to New York of certain property in Fort Niagara State Park;

Petersburg National Park: H. R. 4208, to add certain surplus land to Petersburg National Military Park, Va.;

Mississippi bridge: H. R. 3478, to extend the time for completing construction of a bridge across the Mississippi River from St. Louis, Mo., to East St. Louis, Ill.;

Land in Ohio: H. R. 3071, to authorize the Secretary of the Army to purchase certain property in Morgan County, Ohio;

Marine hospital: H. R. 3197, relating to the sale of the old Louisville Marine Hospital, Jefferson County, Ky.;

Philippine rehabilitation: H. R. 5535, to extend certain sections of the Philippine Rehabilitation Act;

Crow Indians: H. R. 2170, to declare children of competent Crow Indians to be competent members of the Crow Tribe;

Land in Montana: H. R. 3589, to convey to Miles City, Mont., certain lands in Custer County for use as an industrial site; and

Private bills: Twenty-eight private bills: H. R. 632, 1065, 1631, 1701, 1790, 1792, 1979, 2628, 3768, 3803, 3837, 5160, 807, 2702, 1132, 1446, 2091, 2471, 2475, 2594, 3665, 5155, H. J. Res. 281, H. R. 5205, 2706, 2920, 3667, and 4254.

With amendment, to be sent back to House:

Reclamation projects: H. R. 1694, to provide for return of rehabilitation and betterment of costs of Federal reclamation projects;

Agua Caliente Indians: H. R. 5310, to confer jurisdiction on State of California over the lands and residents of the Agua Caliente Indian Reservation in said State;

Surplus airport property: H. R. 3851, to amend Public Law 289 (80th Cong.), with respect to surplus airport property and to provide for the transfer of compliance functions with relation to such property;

Civil service: H. R. 3826, to amend the act of January 16, 1883, an Act to Regulate and Improve the Civil Service of the U. S., relative to State quotas;

Fish restoration: H. R. 1746, to provide U. S. aid to States in fish restoration and management projects;

Federal Food and Drug: H. R. 160, to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act, relative to relabeling costs, etc., on imported goods;

Public land, New Mexico: H. R. 5670, authorizing transfer of land to county of Bernalillo, N. Mex., for a hospital site;

Colorado-Big Thompson: H. R. 5134, to promote development in cooperation with the State of Colorado of the fish, wildlife, and recreational aspects of the Colorado-Big Thompson Federal reclamation project;

Land in Florida: H. R. 2517, directing the Secretary of Interior to convey certain land to Palm Beach County, Fla.;

Army-Air Force composition: H. R. 1437, Army-Air Force composition;

Flathead Indians: H. R. 1976, sale of allotted land on Flathead Indian Reservation, Mont.;

Coast Guard: H. R. 1824, to provide for crediting civilian service in computing military pay of former civilian employees of certain Government departments who were transferred to Coast Guard in military status; and

Private bills: Seven private bills: H. R. 734, 3618, 4306, 3616, 3886, 1620, and 5356.

Without amendment and cleared for House:

Treasury agencies: S. 2018, reimbursement of certain Treasury agencies for work performed for other Government departments;

National Guard: S. 2441, to amend section 81 of National Defense Act and to provide for additional officers of the National Guard;

Aliens in Army: S. 2269, to provide for enlistment of certain aliens in the Regular Army;

Public health: S. 1706, to authorize Public Health Service to admit to its hospitals persons committed by State courts who are beneficiaries of its service or narcotic addicts;

St. Elizabeths: S. 2227, to admit to St. Elizabeths Hospital persons who are residents or domiciled in the Virgin Islands;

Alaska airports: S. 2436, to increase by $4 million the $13 million authorization approved by Congress last year for construction of airports in Alaska; and

Private bills: Five private bills: S. Con. Res. 62, S. 486, 1447, 1737, and 477.

With amendment and cleared for House:

Overseas activities: S. 2072, creating a commission to study the administration of Federal overseas activities;

Public land in California: S. 1660, to convey 40 acres of the Hunter-Liggett Military Reservation to the Franciscan Fathers of California;

Airports: S. 1282, to authorize grants under the Federal Airport Act for minor projects at major airports;

Crow Indians: S. 1829, transfer to the Crow Indian Tribe of Montana the title to certain buffalo;

Public-health units: S. 522, to authorize assistance to States in the development of local public-health units;

Venereal disease: S. 2228, to amend the Public Health Service Act with respect to venereal-disease rapid-treatment centers;

Yuma reclamation: S. 1542, to authorize the withdrawal of public notices in the Yuma reclamation project;

Guided missiles: S. 2316, construction and equipment of a guided-missile research laboratory building for National Bureau of Standards;

Atomic energy: S. 2372, to amend Atomic Energy Act of 1946, with respect to Military Liaison Committee; and

Private bills: Six private bills: S. 481, 1048, 1764, 76, 1801, and 738.

Simple resolutions adopted:

Committee reports: S. Res. 95, to amend Senate rule 29 to require that committee reports accompanying bills and resolutions show any proposed changes to be made in existing law, with amendment; and

Private bill: S. Res. 152, referring private bill to Court of Claims. Pages 12354–12355, 12358–12364, 12366–12387

The following bills were indefinitely postponed, inasmuch as similar House bills were passed: S. 1695, 2286, 2275, 2140, and 2374.

Pages 12365, 12366–12367, 12370–12371, 12377

Nominations: The nominations of Paul H. Griffith, of Pennsylvania, Marx Leva, of Alabama, and Wilfred J. McNeil, of Iowa, each to be an Assistant Secretary of Defense, were received. Page 12388

Committee Meetings

RIVER AND HARBOR AND FLOOD CONTROL

Committee on Public Works: Continuing its hearings on H. R. 5472, general flood-control and river and harbor bill, the committee received further testimony from E. B. Staats, Bureau of the Budget, analyzing the contents of S. 1576, providing for a study commission for the Arkansas-White and Red River Basins. Senator Kerr testified in support of his own bill S. 1576; Senator Long and Wayne Fletcher, Arkansas State Resources and Development Commission, appeared in opposition to S. 1576; and Ralph R. Will, Department of Agriculture, appeared to discuss the authorizations for the Department of Agriculture contained in H. R. 5472. Hearings continue August 29.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Tuesday, August 30, at 12 o'clock noon.

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

Monday, August 29, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed Military Establishment appropriations, and began consideration of minimum-wage bill.

Senate groups took action on amendments to foreign military aid and minimum wage bills.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 12426–12432

Bills Introduced: Five bills were introduced, as follows: S. 2504 to S. 2508. Page 12426

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows: H. R. 5764, to grant to city of Los Angeles, Calif., certain rights-of-way (S. Rept. 966). Page 12426

Military Appropriations: By voice vote, Senate passed, with amendments, H. R. 4146, Military Establishment appropriations for 1950, after rejecting by 25 yeas to 49 nays Douglas motion to recommit the bill with instructions to report back with the smaller sum wherever there is a difference between any amount as passed by the House and as recommended by Senate committee.

The following actions were taken: McClellan amendment requiring President to reduce Government expenses by an aggregate of 5–10 percent below budget estimates for 1950 was offered, against which Senator Lucas made a point of order on the ground it constituted legislation in an appropriation bill. The Chair reserved his decision in view of the unanimous-consent language that this amendment and all other amendments to the bill would be voted on at 2 p. m. At 2 p. m., Chair ruled that Senator Lucas had a right, under the unanimous-consent agreement, to make the point of order. Senator Wherry took an appeal from decision, on which the Chair was sustained 41 yeas to 36 nays, following which McClellan amendment was eliminated on ruling of the Chair that it was legislation in an appropriation bill. Motion by Senator McClellan to suspend the rules and adopt his amendment was then rejected by 49 yeas to 28 nays.

Committee amendment barring use by armed services of food or clothing not produced in U. S. was adopted by voice vote, after Wiley amendment thereto, to bar use of oleomargarine in armed services was rejected by 31 yeas to 45 nays. Douglas amendment, respecting family quarters for service personnel, and an amendment respecting purchase of U. S. goods whenever available, were adopted by voice votes.

Senate asked for a conference and appointed as conferees Senators Thomas of Oklahoma, Hayden, Russell, O'Mahoney, Tydings, Gurney, Bridges, Wherry, and Cordon. Pages 12389–12426

Veterans: A conference was requested on S. 2115, to authorize payments by the VA on purchase of automobiles or other conveyances by certain disabled veterans, and Senators Pepper, Hill, Douglas, Taft, and Morse were appointed as conferees. Page 12432

Minimum Wage: Senate began consideration of S. 653, to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938, including an increase of the minimum wage, with adoption of committee amendments as the pending question. Pages 12432–12441

Committee Meetings

FOREIGN MILITARY AID

Committee on Armed Services and Foreign Relations: In executive session, continuing their work marking up for reporting to the Senate S. 2388, to provide military assistance to foreign nations, the committees agreed to two amendments to be reported with the bill, as follows: The so-called Byrd-Tydings amendment to prohibit the use of funds authorized by the bill for the construction of plants in countries to which military aid is granted, or for defraying the costs of maintaining any such plants, or the use of funds for the payment of help to run such plants, but in no way to prohibit the use of funds authorized in the bill to be used for the purchase of tools, equipment, or raw materials.

The other amendment agreed to, offered by Senator Knowland, would provide that "excess equipment and materials furnished under this act shall, with due regard to programs of military assistance operated under this act, be distributed equitably among the various nations referred to in titles I, II, and III of this act."

Committees meet again tomorrow.

LOS ANGELES, AND EVERGLADES

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: In executive session, the committee voted to report to the Senate without amendment H. R. 5764, to grant to city of Los Angeles, Calif., certain rights-of-way, and with amendment H. R. 4029, relative to the enlargement of the Everglades National Park, Fla. The amendment to H. R. 4029 would change the date to retain reservation to mineral, oil, and gas rights from February 1, 1950, to October 9, 1958.

WAR CLAIMS AND PRIVATE BILL

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee met in executive session to consider H. R. 2224, private bill, and S. 1102, to amend section 6 of War Claims Act of 1948, relative to compensation payable to individuals who were in hiding in order to avoid capture as prisoners of war, but made no announcement of action taken.

MINIMUM WAGES, AND VETERANS

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: In executive session, the committee considered proposed amendments to be offered in the Senate when it considers S. 653, to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938, including an increase of the minimum wage, and agreed that four amendments be offered to provide for the following: (1) to delete from the bill the amendment on area production, (2) to amend section 14 of the minimum-wage law to provide for certificates to be issued by the Secretary of Labor covering messenger boys, (3) to amend the committee bill to exclude employees of nonprofit irrigation companies, and (4) an amendment to provide minimum-wage overtime child labor exemption for newsboys delivering newspapers to consumers.

It also agreed to ask for a conference on the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of S. 2115, to authorize payments by the VA on purchase of automobiles or other conveyances by certain disabled veterans.

LABOR-MANAGEMENT

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee met in executive session to study membership and functions of a subcommittee of the full committee to be appointed in pursuance of S. Res. 140, to set up a subcommittee to investigate the field of labor-management relations.

RIVER AND HARBOR AND FLOOD CONTROL

Committee on Public Works: Committee held further hearings on H. R. 5472, general flood-control and river and harbor bill, with John W. Dixon, Bureau of the Budget, testifying on irrigation and reclamation aspects of the Humboldt River, Nev.

Roy Mathias, executive secretary of the Red River Valley Association, appeared to testify in opposition to S. 1576, providing for a study commission for the Arkansas-White and Red River Basins. Hearings continue tomorrow.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Tuesday, August 30, at 12 o'clock noon.

Committee Meetings

TIDELANDS

Committee on the Judiciary: Julius A. Krug, Secretary of the Interior, Philip B. Perlman, Solicitor General, and Representative Hobbs testified today in connection with H. R. 5991 and 5992, bills relating to the exploration, development, and conservation of certain resources in submerged coastal lands, and providing for use and disposition of said lands. All three witnesses took the position that the Federal Government should have control of submerged coastal lands. This concluded the hearings for the present time and the committee adjourned subject to the call of the Chair.

Tuesday, August 30, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

Various amendments providing exemptions from Minimum Wage Act were adopted by Senate.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 12463–12465

Bills Introduced: Eight bills were introduced, as follows: S. 2509 to S. 2516. Page 12465

Committee Assignments: The following changes in committee assignments were ordered:

Senator Neely to Chairmanship of D. C.

Senator Kerr from Interior and Insular Affairs to Finance.

Senator Kefauver from Interstate and Foreign Commerce to Judiciary.

Senator Hunt from Rules and Administration to Interstate and Foreign Commerce.

Senator Taylor to Rules and Administration.

Senator Leahy to D. C. and Interior and Insular Affairs. Page 12511

Minimum Wage: Senate continued work on S. 653, to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938, including an increase of the minimum wage, adopting the following amendments to the committee substitute for the original bill: Three amendments offered by Senator Pepper on behalf of the committee exempting messengers under 18 years of age, newsboys, and, as modified, workers on farm canals and reservoirs; Butler amendment exempting certain telephone switchboard operators; and McKellar amendment exempting home workers employed in sewing baseballs.

By 50 yeas to 23 nays, Senate adopted Holland amendment exempting employees of retail, service, or laundering establishments if more than 50 percent of dollar volume of sales is intrastate, after rejecting, by 24 yeas to 49 nays, Aiken modification thereof as to definition of a "retail or service establishment."

Pages 12465–12472, 12476–12484, 12487–12520

Nominations: Four Navy, thirty-four Marine, and thirty-nine Air Force nominations were received.

Pages 12522–12523

Committee Meetings

FOREIGN MILITARY AID

Committees on Armed Services and Foreign Relations: Following a joint session of the two committees, Chairman Connally announced that a subcommittee had been appointed, consisting of Senators Connally, Tydings, Vandenberg, and Gurney, to explore the possibilities of agreement over the questions of munitions plants, amounts of funds to be authorized by the bill, together with various other questions.

The subcommittee held an afternoon session, after which it was announced that agreements had been reached, but no information on decisions was made public. Committees meet tomorrow.

GOVERNMENT CONTRACTS—PROFITS INVESTIGATION

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Maj. Gen. Harry H. Vaughan appeared before the Investigations Subcommittee to make a statement and answer questions relative to the alleged use of his influence in Government procurement. Hearings continue tomorrow.

PRIVATE BILL

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee held hearings on H. R. 627, a private bill.

CIVIL SERVICE

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: In executive session, the committee voted to report favorably, without amendment, S. 1014, to amend the Civil Service Retirement Act so as to make such act applicable to officers and employees of Columbia Institution for Deaf; H. R. 2619, to extend the benefits of the annual- and sick-leave laws to part-time employees on regular tours of duty, also to validate payments heretofore made for leave on account of services of such employees; and S. 621 and S. 1097, private bills.

It voted to report adversely S. 1514, to extend certain benefits of Civil Service Retirement Act to widows and orphans of employees dying during period from February 17, 1948, to February 28, 1949.

RIVER AND HARBOR AND FLOOD CONTROL

Committee on Public Works: Continuing hearings on H. R. 5472, general flood-control and river and harbor bill, the committee heard the following witnesses testify in opposition to the proposed study commission for the Arkansas-White and Red River Basins (S. 1576): Harvey L. Carey, Louisiana State House of Representatives; Leroy Chandler, president, Red River-Bayou Boeuf-Tensas Levee Board; and J. Lester White, director, Department of Public Works for Louisiana.

Testimony in support of flood-control and irrigation projects for Russian River in California was received from: Representative Scudder; District Attorney Charles J. McGoldrick, Sonoma County; District Attorney James Busch, Mendocino County; Sonoma County Engineer Marshall Wallace; Supervisor James Lyttle, Sonoma County; Supervisor Richard Miller, Sonoma County; Councilman Mervin Daw, city of Santa Rosa; and Al Lewis, manager, Chamber of Commerce, Santa Rosa—all of California.

Roy T. Hart, engineering committee, Association of Railroads, testified in opposition to the Arkansas River navigation project, while J. C. Murray, Chamber of Commerce, Little Rock, Ark., testified in support of the project. Hearings continue tomorrow.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Two public bills, H. R. 6157 and 6158; one private bill, H. R. 6159; and three resolutions, H. Con. Res. 134, and H. Res. 352 and 353 were introduced. Pages 12526–12527

Bills Reported: One report was made as follows: H. R. 5305, to increase the retired pay of certain members of the former Lighthouse Service, amended (H. Rept. 1334). Page 12526

President's Message: Heard veto message from the President in which he disapproved of H. R. 559, to confer jurisdiction upon the U. S. District Court for the Central Division of the Southern District of California to hear, determine, and render judgment upon the claims of the city of Needles, Calif., and the California-Pacific Utilities Co. The message was ordered to be printed in the Congressional Record. Pages 12524–12525

GAR Encampment: Announcement was made of the appointment of Representatives Jacobs, Noland, Denton, Harvey, and Harden to the joint congressional committee to attend the eighty-third and final encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic. Page 12525

Bills Referred: Twenty-two Senate-passed measures, passed on August 27, were referred to appropriate committees. Page 12525

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

Wednesday, August 31, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed minimum-wage increase and temporary appropriation bills.
Senate committee voted to report farm price-support bill.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 12527–12533

Bills Introduced. Seven bills were introduced, as follows: S. 2517 to S. 2523. Page 12528

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. R. 5773, to authorize the joint development of hydroelectric power at Falcon Dam on the Rio Grande River by the U. S. and Mexico (S. Rept. 967);

H. R. 4029, relative to the enlargement of the Everglades National Park, Fla., with amendment (S. Rept. 968);

S. 621, a private bill (S. Rept. 969);

H. R. 86, to amend the Civil Service Retirement Act so as to make such act applicable to the officers and employees of the Columbia Institution for the Deaf, with amendment (S. Rept. 970);

H. R. 2619, to extend the benefits of the annual- and sick-leave laws to part-time employees on regular tours of duty, also to validate payments heretofore made for leave on account of services of such employees (S. Rept. 971); and

H. J. Res. 348, extending the time (from September 15 to October 1, 1949) of temporary appropriations for various governmental functions pending enactment of regular appropriation bills (no written report).

Pages 12528–12583

Temporary Appropriations: Senate passed and cleared for President H. J. Res. 348, extending the time (from September 15 to October 1, 1949) of temporary appropriations for various governmental functions pending enactment of regular appropriation bills.

Pages 12583–12584

Labor Day Recess: Senate agreed to adjourn until noon, Saturday, September 3, when, without transaction of any business, it will immediately recess until noon Wednesday, September 7. Pages 12586–12587

Minimum Wage: By voice vote, Senate passed H. R. 5856, to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938, including an increase of the minimum wage, after substituting the Senate-passed language of S. 653 therefor. Senate asked for a conference and appointed as con-

ferees Senators Thomas of Utah, Murray, Pepper, Taft, and Aiken.

Before substituting the language of S. 653 for the House-passed version of H. R. 5856, Senate had adopted its committee substitute, as amended, instead of S. 653, as introduced.

Prior to this, Senate today took the following actions:

Adopted, by voice vote: Modified Flanders amendment respecting definition of "resale"; Butler amendment exempting persons employed as buyers of poultry and certain dairy products; modified Hoey amendment to consider as lawful, acquisition of goods made in violation of act, if acquired in good faith and for value without notice; Eastland amendment exempting employees engaged in ginning and storing cotton; modified George amendment exempting employees of certain retail establishments even though they make or process goods they sell; and committee amendment on area production.

Rejected: By 27 yeas to 51 nays, Ellender amendment to make minimum wage 65 cents per hour through 1950, and thereafter to tie it to the cost-of-living index; by voice vote, Ellender amendment similar to above except that minimum wage through 1950 would be 70 cents per hour; by 25 yeas to 51 nays, Ellender amendment setting minimum wage at 65 cents per hour except in event of business recession, when under certain conditions, it may be lowered to not less than 55 cents per hour; by 20 yeas to 54 nays, Fulbright amendment setting minimum wage at 75 cents per hour in plants employing more than 50 and in all other cases setting it at 60 cents, to be progressively raised year by year to 75 cents; by voice vote, McClellan amendment exempting sawmill and forestry employees if they number less than 12; by voice, modified McClellan amendment exempting sawmill and logging operators from paying overtime prescribed in act; by voice, Magnuson amendment including certain merchant seamen not engaged in foreign commerce; and, by voice, Cain amendment exempting from maximum hours and overtime provisions of the Walsh-Healey Act all employees exempted from this act. Pages 12533–12584

Reciprocal Trade: Senate returned to consideration of H. R. 1211, extension of reciprocal trade agreements, but took no action thereon. Page 12586

Confirmations: The nominations of Ellis O. Briggs, of Maine, to be Ambassador to Czechoslovakia, and of Nathaniel P. Davis, of New York, to be Minister to Hungary, were confirmed, along with 33 postmaster nominations. Page 12598

Nominations: Ten Public Health Service and ninety-four routine Navy nominations were received. Pages 12597–12598

Committee Meetings

FARM PROGRAM

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: In executive session, the committee voted to report to the Senate a clean bill (S. 2522, so-called Anderson bill—committee print of August 12) to stabilize prices of agricultural commodities by providing for flexible support prices varying from 75 to 90 percent of "modern" parity.

SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee opened hearings on H. R. 6008, supplemental appropriations for 1950, receiving testimony from the following witnesses in support of the respective items proposing restoration of cuts by the House in the budget estimates: Senator O'Mahoney on legislative establishment; Senator Sparkman on Public Housing Administration; Senator Robertson on Forest Service; Philip M. Hauser, and assistants, on $2 million for the seventeenth decennial census by the Bureau of Census; Aubrey D. Gates, Arkansas Extension Service, on $1 million for farm housing; Knox T. Hutchinson, Assistant Secretary of Agriculture, accompanied by seven colleagues from the Department of Agriculture, on $1 million for farm housing; Earl W. Loveridge, Assistant Chief, Forest Service, and associates, on $125,000 for emergency reconstruction and repair in the Forest Service; Raymond M. Foley, Administrator of Housing and Home Finance Agency, Walter L. Green, Acting Commissioner of FHA, and John Taylor Egan, Commissioner of Public Housing Administration, each accompanied by assistants, on $479,000 for the FHA; and Pauline Dunckel, Institute of Heating and Cooking Appliance Manufacturers, on reinstatement of $9½ million for census of housing up to July 1, 1950. Subcommittee continues next week.

FOREIGN MILITARY AID

Committees on Armed Services and Foreign Relations: In executive session, the committees met jointly in connection with S. 2388, to provide military assistance to foreign nations, to receive and consider the recommendations of their subcommittee consisting of Senators Connally, Tydings, Vandenberg, and Gurney on questions of munitions plants, amounts of funds to be authorized by the bill, as well as various other questions. No vote on any issue was reached, and the committees adjourned subject to the call of the Chair.

GOVERNMENT CONTRACTS—PROFITS INVESTIGATION

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Continuing its investigation of the use of influence in Government procurement, the Investigations Subcommittee questioned further Maj. Gen. Harry H. Vaughan and Col. C. J. Mara as to their alleged use of influence in such activities. Hearings continue tomorrow.

DISPLACED PERSONS

Committee on the Judiciary: Representative Celler appeared again before the Subcommittee on Immigration to continue his testimony in support of proposed displaced-persons legislation. Hearings continue tomorrow.

GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS—ANNUAL LEAVE

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: In executive session, subcommittee voted to report to the full committee without amendment S. 2350, to provide for payment of annual leave to certain officers and employees of the Federal Government.

The subcommittee voted to table S. 1599, to provide payment for motorcycle delivery of mail at an hourly rate.

CONTESTED POSTMASTERSHIPS

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Subcommittee met in executive session to consider two contested postmaster reappointments, and agreed unanimously to report both of them to the full committee as follows: W. E. Krenning, incumbent, as postmaster at San Diego, Calif., and Paul J. Kochaver, incumbent, as postmaster at Hibbing, Minn.

RIVERS AND HARBORS AND FLOOD CONTROL

Committee on Public Works: Committee held further hearings on H. R. 5472, general flood-control and rivers and harbors bill, receiving testimony from H. K. Thatcher, Ouachita Valley Association, and the White River Flood Control Association, in opposition to S. 1576, providing for a study commission for the Arkansas-White and Red River Basins.

Col. H. C. Gee, Corps of Engineers, explained to the committee the project for bank protection on the Arkansas River above Little Rock.

J. W. Dixon, Bureau of Reclamation, gave testimony on the irrigation features of the Russian River project, California, and the Grand Prairie project, Arkansas. Committee adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Friday, September 2, at 12 o'clock noon.

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

Friday, September 2, 1949

Senate

Chamber Action

The Senate was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Saturday, September 10, at 12 o'clock noon.

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Three public bills, H. R. 6160–6162; one private bill, H. R. 6163; and one resolution, H. Res. 354, were introduced. Page 12600

Bills Referred: Three Senate-passed bills, passed on August 27, were referred to appropriate committees. Page 12599

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

Saturday, September 3, 1949

Senate

Chamber Action

Senate met at 12 noon Saturday, September 3, and pursuant to order previously entered, recessed (without transaction of any business) at 12:01 p. m. until noon Wednesday, September 7, when it will continue consideration of H. R. 1211, extension of reciprocal trade agreements.

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 6, at 12 o'clock noon.

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

Tuesday, September 6, 1949

Senate

Chamber Action

The Senate was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Wednesday, September 7, at 12 o'clock noon.

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Two private bills, H. R. 6164 and 6165, were introduced. Page 12601

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

Wednesday, September 7, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate debated trade agreements.
See Résumé of Congressional Activity.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 12602–12615

Bills Introduced: Four bills were introduced, as follows: S. 2524 to S. 2527. Page 12603

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:
S. 1097, a private bill (S. Rept. 972); and
Minority views on H. R. 1211, extension of reciprocal trade agreements (pt. II of S. Rept. 107).
Pages 12602–12603

Arlington Memorial: President transmitted recommendation of Arlington Memorial Amphitheater Commission on the erection of a memorial under Public Law 397, Sixty-sixth Congress. The message was referred to the Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs. Page 12602

Reciprocal Trade: Senate debated H. R. 1211, extension of reciprocal trade agreements. Pages 12615–12635, 12640

Confirmations: Three nominations to the rank of brigadier general were confirmed. Page 12640

Nominations: The nomination of Joseph C. Satterthwaite, of Michigan, to be Ambassador to Ceylon, was received, along with seven other civilian nominations, and the nomination of Lt. Gen. Elwood R. Quesada to be Chairman of the Joint Technical Planning Committee. Page 12640

Committee Meetings

IMMIGRATION—SUBVERSIVE ALIENS

Committee on the Judiciary: Continuing its study of S. 1832, to amend the Immigration Act of 1918 to provide for exclusion and deportation of subversive aliens, Subcommittee on Immigration received testimony on the proposed legislation in closed session. Subcommittee meets again tomorrow.

GOVERNMENT CONTRACTS—PROFITS INVESTIGATION

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Investigations Subcommittee, on September 1, continued its investigation of use of influence in Government procurement with Jess Larson, Administrator of the General Services Administration, explaining the set-up of the General Services Administration relative to Government procurement. Drew Pearson also appeared to explain comments concerning himself made by Maj. Gen. Harry Vaughan before the subcommittee on the prior day.

DISPLACED PERSONS

Committee on the Judiciary: On September 1, Representative Celler continued his testimony in support of displaced-persons legislation at a hearing before the Subcommittee on Immigration. Harry N. Rosenfield, Displaced Persons Commission, also testified for the information of the subcommittee. Subcommittee meets again next Friday, September 9.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Friday, September 9, at 12 o'clock noon.

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

Résumé of Congressional Activity

FIRST SESSION OF EIGHTY-FIRST CONGRESS

The first table gives a comprehensive résumé of all legislative business transacted by the House and Senate during the session, January 3, 1949, through August 31, 1949.

The second table accounts for all nominations submitted to the Senate by the President for Senate confirmation.

DATA ON LEGISLATIVE ACTIVITY

January 3 through August 31, 1949

	Senate	*House*	*Total*
Time in session	928 hrs., 13′	627 hrs., 8′	..
Days in session	153	142	..
Congressional Record:			
Pages of proceedings	7,369	5,457	12,826
Appendix	..	..	5,954
Public bills enacted into law	111	167	278
Private bills enacted into law	69	180	249
Bills in conference	..	..	15
Bills through conference	..	..	41
Measures passed, total	926	1,236	..
Senate bills	332	182	..
House bills	412	774	..
Senate joint resolutions	20	14	..
House joint resolutions	33	43	..
Senate concurrent resolutions	31	18	..
House concurrent resolutions	14	16	..
Simple resolutions	84	189	273
Measures reported, total	*1,080	*1,264	..
Senate bills	434	151	..
House bills	454	884	..
Senate joint resolutions	25	6	..
House joint resolutions	33	49	..
Senate concurrent resolutions	33	13	..
House concurrent resolutions	15	11	..
Simple resolutions	86	150	236
Special reports	21	28	..
Conference reports	..	42	..
Reported measures not acted on	**111	**95	..
Measures introduced, total	2,876	6,996	9,872
Bills	2,523	6,159	8,682
Joint resolutions	129	350	479
Concurrent resolutions	63	134	197
Simple resolutions	161	353	514
Quorum calls	340	96	436
Yea-and-nay votes	175	100	275
Bills vetoed	..	..	20

*These figures on measures reported include all placed on calendar or acted on by Senate even if there was no accompanying report. A total of 971 reports has been filed in the Senate; a total of 1,334 has been filed in the House.

**This figure does not agree with the total difference between bills reported and bills passed, because resolutions and bills placed on the House Calendar without having been formally reported were not included in figures of measures reported to the House; the difference in the case of Senate figures is due to uncounted bills "laid on the table" or "indefinitely postponed."

DISPOSITION OF EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS RECEIVED FROM JANUARY 3–AUGUST 31, 1949

Postmaster nominations, totaling 2,475, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	2,299
Withdrawn	28
Rejected	None
Unconfirmed	148
Army nominations, totaling 16,856, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	16,826
Withdrawn	None
Rejected	None
Unconfirmed	30
Air Force nominations, totaling 13,378, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	13,258
Withdrawn	None
Rejected	None
Unconfirmed	120
Navy nominations, totaling 15,552, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	15,451
Withdrawn	None
Rejected	None
Unconfirmed	101
Marine Corps nominations, totaling 2,125, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	2,090
Withdrawn	None
Rejected	None
Unconfirmed	35
Civilian nominations other than postmasters, totaling 2,475, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	2,387
Withdrawn	7
Rejected	None
Unconfirmed	81
Summary	
Total nominations received	52,861
Total rejected	None
Total withdrawn	35
Total unconfirmed	515
Total confirmed	52,311

TABLE OF APPROPRIATION BILLS, EIGHTY-FIRST CONGRESS, FIRST SESSION

Bill No.	Title	Budget estimates[1]	House: Date reported	House: Amount as reported	House: Date passed	House: Amount as passed	Senate: Date reported	Senate: Amount as reported	Senate: Date passed	Senate: Amount as passed	Public law: Date approved	Public law: Amount as approved	Public law: Law No.
H. J. Res. 112	Disaster Relief	$1,000,000	Jan. 27	$500,000	Jan. 27	$500,000	Jan. 27	$500,000	Jan. 27	$500,000	Jan. 28	$500,000	3
H. J. Res. 136	Disaster Relief	500,000	Feb. 3	500,000	Feb. 3	500,000	Feb. 3	500,000	Feb. 3	500,000	Feb. 7	500,000	5
H. R. 2632	First Deficiency, 1949	564,183,148	Feb. 14	466,842,177	Feb. 16	471,895,177	Mar. 22	538,453,473	Apr. 13	542,303,473	May 24	524,649,473	71
H. R. 3082	District of Columbia, 1950	103,878,727	Mar. 1	98,923,621	June 2	98,923,621	June 17	103,132,153	June 21	103,142,153	June 29	102,754,447	145
H. R. 3083	Treasury-Post Office, 1950	3,176,266,750	Mar. 1	3,072,817,903	Mar. 3	3,072,817,903	Apr. 29	3,113,068,503	May 11	3,113,068,503	June 30	3,090,528,903	150
	Treasury	1,096,594,450		1,027,608,403		1,027,608,403		1,045,194,403		1,045,194,403		1,016,318,403	
	Post Office	2,079,672,300		2,045,209,500		2,045,209,500		2,067,894,100		2,067,894,100		2,054,210,300	
H. R. 3333	Labor-Federal Security, 1950	2,234,389,285	Mar. 8	2,211,794,085	Mar. 9	2,211,794,085	Apr. 14	2,396,337,265	May 17	2,409,827,265	June 29	2,387,799,885	141
	Labor	16,766,200		16,550,000		16,550,000		16,766,200		16,766,200		16,766,200	
	FSA	1,502,805,585		1,478,426,585		1,478,426,585		1,495,901,565		1,509,391,565		1,487,364,185	
	Related agencies	716,817,500		716,817,500		716,817,500		883,669,500		883,669,500		883,669,500	
H. R. 3734	Civil Functions, Army, 1950	772,458,220	Mar. 23	586,762,000	Mar. 29	751,440,690	May 10	751,440,690	May 20	751,440,690	.....	.....	.....
H. R. 3838	Interior, 1950	624,810,436	Mar. 23	536,211,908	Mar. 30	595,262,257	July 15	590,685,911	Aug. 25	595,262,257	.....	.....	.....
H. R. 3997	Agriculture, 1950	727,906,908	Apr. 4	701,122,079	Apr. 5	723,083,249	July 15	723,083,249	May 19	723,083,249	June 29	715,631,607	146
H. R. 4016	State, Justice, Commerce, 1950	740,362,956	Apr. 5	684,616,102	Apr. 7	671,782,281	June 1	671,782,281	June 7	671,782,281	July 20	677,972,102	179
	State	235,313,756		271,405,656		269,172,456		269,172,456		269,172,456		265,335,656	
	Justice	132,566,500		132,579,141		130,971,000		130,971,000		130,971,000		132,663,141	
	Commerce	301,248,500		259,927,605		259,994,105		259,994,105		259,994,105		259,269,105	
	Judiciary	21,234,200		20,703,700		20,734,720		20,734,720		20,734,720		20,734,200	
H. R. 4046	Second Deficiency, 1949	698,028,397	Apr. 6	671,047,172	Apr. 8	671,069,672	June 1	859,675,510	June 2	862,563,510	June 23	854,838,710	119
H. R. 4146	National Military, 1950	13,248,960,700	Apr. 9	13,272,815,800	Apr. 13	13,272,815,800	July 22	[2]13,165,803,089	Aug. 29	[2]13,165,803,089	.....	.....	.....
	Army	4,604,875,700		4,481,834,200		4,481,834,200		4,570,907,089		4,570,907,089			
	Navy	4,403,751,000		4,375,327,600		4,375,327,600		4,388,079,000		4,388,079,000			
	Air Force	4,033,887,000		4,222,954,000		4,222,954,000		4,000,887,000		4,000,887,000			
	Other	206,447,000		192,700,000		192,700,000		205,930,000		205,930,000			
H. R. 4177	Independent Offices, 1950	8,051,343,830	Apr. 11	7,104,571,603	Apr. 14	7,103,506,553	July 8	7,636,006,873	Aug. 2	7,663,429,323	Aug. 25	7,617,739,361	266
H. J. Res. 222	Veterans Readjustment Benefits	595,890,000	Apr. 12	595,890,000	Apr. 13	595,890,000	Apr. 13	595,890,000	Apr. 14	595,890,000	Apr. 15	595,890,000	43
H. R. 4830	Foreign Aid, 1950	6,322,594,000	May 23	5,542,470,000	May 26	5,617,470,000	July 30	5,647,724,000	Aug. 8	5,647,724,000	.....	.....	.....
H. R. 5060	Legislative, 1950	73,898,184	June 8	62,200,705	June 9	62,200,705	June 14	62,262,110	June 15	62,262,110	June 22	62,262,110	118
H. R. 5100	Third Deficiency, 1949	214,730,794	June 23	127,032,243	June 24	127,032,243	Aug. 5	136,318,469	Aug. 25	193,078,469	.....	.....	.....
H. J. Res. 327	Insect Control	3,500,000	July 27	1,500,000	July 27	1,500,000	July 28	3,500,000	July 28	3,500,000	Aug. 28	1,750,000	215
H. R. 6008	Supplemental, 1950	89,965,021	Aug. 16	75,890,521	Aug. 19	72,790,521	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....

[1] These estimates include any additional amounts which may have been submitted to the Senate after the bill was acted on by House Appropriations Committee.
[2] These figures include $433,968,611 to be rescinded as effected by sec. 702; the branches of the service and the amount to be rescinded from each is to be determined by the Secretary of Defense.

Thursday, September 8, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate continued debate on trade agreements.

Senate groups voted to report several agricultural bills, and armed service nominations.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 12641–12643

Bills Introduced: Eleven bills were introduced, as follows: S. 2528 to S. 2538. Page 12642

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. R. 2015, to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to effect exchange of certain lands in State of Minnesota (S. Rept. 973);

H. R. 5601, to authorize the exchange of certain lands in the State of Michigan (S. Rept. 974);

H. R. 2514, to enable the Secretary of Agriculture to extend financial assistance to homestead entrymen, with amendment (S. Rept. 975);

H. R. 4090, to extend the benefits of section 23 of Bankhead-Jones Act, regarding agricultural extension work, to Puerto Rico (S. Rept. 976);

H. R. 2538, to authorize completion of the land development and settlement of Angostura unit of the Missouri Basin project, notwithstanding a limitation of time (S. Rept. 977); and

H. R. 3926, to rename a game sanctuary in Harney National Forest as the "Norbeck Wildlife Preserve" (S. Rept. 978). Pages 12641–12642

Bill Recommitted: H. R. 86, to amend the Civil Service Retirement Act so as to make such act applicable to the officers and employees of the Columbia Institution for the Deaf, was recommitted to the Committee on Post Office and Civil Service. Page 12642

Reciprocal Trade: Senate continued consideration of H. R. 1211, extension of reciprocal trade agreements. The pending question at recess was Millikin amendment including so-called "peril point" provision, provision relative to extension of time, and the deposit of agreements with the Committees on Ways and Means and Finance. Pages 12643–12730

Confirmations: Numerous miscellaneous promotions in the Army, Navy, and Air Force were confirmed. Pages 12730–12731

Nominations: The nomination of Robert D. Murphy, of Wisconsin, to be Ambassador to Belgium, along with two promotions in the Air Force with the rank of lieutenant general, were received. Page 12730

Committee Meetings

ALASKA, PUERTO RICO, PUBLIC LANDS, TELEPHONES, HOMESTEADS, AND FORESTRY

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: In executive session, the committee voted to report seven bills without amendment, as follows: H. R. 133, to give Alaska a full share of appropriations for agricultural experimental station work; H. R. 212, to extend to Alaska the full benefits of the legislation pertaining to the establishment and operation of agricultural extension service programs; H. R. 2015, to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to effect exchange of certain lands in State of Minnesota; H. R. 2538, to authorize completion of the land development and settlement of Angostura unit of the Missouri Basin project, notwithstanding a limitation of time; H. R. 3926, to rename a game sanctuary in Harney National Forest as the "Norbeck Wildlife Preserve"; H. R. 4090, to extend the benefits of section 23 of the Bankhead-Jones Act, regarding agricultural extension work, to Puerto Rico; and H. R. 5601, to authorize the exchange of certain lands in the State of Michigan.

The following bill was voted reported with an amendment: H. R. 2514, to enable the Secretary of Agriculture to extend financial assistance to homestead entrymen.

Committee also considered at length H. R. 2960, providing for rural telephones, but did not reach a vote on reporting the bill. Committee considers this bill further tomorrow.

Committee agreed to hold hearings beginning September 10 on H. R. 5839 (S. 2398), to facilitate and simplify the work of the Forest Service.

ARMED SERVICE NOMINATIONS

Committee on Armed Services: Committee voted to report the nominations of Paul Griffith, Marx Leva, and Wilfred J. McNeil—all to be Assistant Secretaries of Defense, together with 282 other appointments in the armed services.

FOREIGN MILITARY AID

Committees on Armed Services and Foreign Relations: Committees met jointly, in executive session, with Vice Adm. Oscar C. Badger to continue their consideration of S. 2388, to provide military assistance to foreign nations. Admiral Badger discussed the Chinese situation recommending that not over $75 million be furnished for Chinese aid to be used if plans furnished by the Chinese authorities meet U. S. approval. He advised against sending aid to the Nationalist Government which is still under the control of the generalissimo. Committees continue tomorrow.

IMMIGRATION—SUBVERSIVE ALIENS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Immigration, in executive session, received further testimony on S. 1832, to amend the Immigration Act of 1918 to provide for exclusion and deportation of subversive aliens.

PRIVATE BILL

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee held hearings on S. 1816, a private bill.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Friday, September 9, at 12 o'clock noon.

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

Friday, September 9, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate continued consideration of trade agreements.

Senate groups voted on provisions of Foreign military aid bill.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 12732–12735

Bills Introduced: Seven bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2539 to S. 2545; S. Con. Res. 64; and S. Res. 162. Pages 12732–12734

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. R. 133, to give Alaska a full share of appropriations for agricultural experimental station work (S. Rept. 979);

H. R. 212, to extend to Alaska the full benefits of the legislation pertaining to the establishment and operation of agricultural extension service programs (S. Rept. 980); and

S. Res. 162, to elect Senator Withers to Joint Committee on Printing. Page 12732

Committee Assignment: Senate adopted S. Res. 162, providing for election of Senator Withers to Joint Committee on Printing vice Senator Hunt. Page 12732

Reciprocal Trade: Senate continued consideration of H. R. 1211, extension of reciprocal trade agreements, with the pending question at recess remaining the same as yesterday. Pages 12735–12755, 12759–12766

Confirmations: Senate confirmed the following as Assistant Secretaries of Defense: Paul H. Griffith, of Pennsylvania; Marx Leva, of Alabama; and Wilfred J. McNeil, of Iowa. Page 12767

Nominations: One civilian and two hundred and eighteen Air Force nominations were received. Pages 12765–12767

Committee Meetings

RURAL TELEPHONES

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: In executive session, committee considered further for reporting to the Senate H. R. 2960, providing for rural telephones, but took no final action. Committee continues tomorrow.

FOREIGN MILITARY AID

Committees on Armed Services and Foreign Relations: In executive session, the committees continued their

work marking up for reporting to the Senate S. 2388, to provide military assistance to foreign nations.

Actions today on various provisions of the bill by the committees include: By vote of 19 to 3, the committees adopted the Connally substitute amendment for title I (worked out by their subcommittee) authorizing $1,000,000,000 for foreign military aid. With this action, the total amount to be authorized by the bill, as it now stands, would be $1,314,010,000.

It approved sections 102, 103, and 104, as follows: Section 102 would authorize an appropriation of $500,000,000 in cash of which not to exceed $100,000,000 shall be immediately available upon appropriation, and not to exceed $400,000,000 shall become available when the President agrees to the recommendations of the Council and the Defense Committee to be established under the North Atlantic Treaty. Section 103, in addition to the $500,000,000 in cash, would give the President authority, "within the limits of specific contract authority which may be granted to him," to enter into contracts totaling up to $500,000,000 for carrying out provisions and accomplishing the policies of title I, during the period ending June 30, 1950. Section 104 would place restrictions on the use of the funds in the construction and operation of factories.

The George amendment to reduce by $200,000,000 the proposed $500,000,000 in cash appropriations was rejected by a vote of 13 to 10.

The Knowland amendment to authorize $193,000,000 for China and the Far East was rejected when the committees, by a vote of 12 to 9, adopted a substitute by Chairman Connally authorizing the appropriation of $75,000,000, "as an emergency fund for the President, which may be expended to accomplish in that area the policies and purposes declared in this Act."

Committees meet again September 12, when they hope to conclude their work and vote on reporting the bill to the Senate.

DISPLACED PERSONS

Committee on the Judiciary: Continuing its hearings on proposed displaced-persons legislation, the subcommittee received testimony in behalf of Arab displaced persons from Louise Massis, George M. Barakat, and John G. Hazam. Subcommittee meets again September 16.

IMMIGRATION—SUBVERSIVE ALIENS

Committee on the Judiciary: Dr. S. Dreskovich appeared before the subcommittee in connection with its study of S. 1832, to amend the Immigration Act of 1918 to provide for exclusion and deportation of subversive aliens, to make a factual statement on various phases of subversive activities in this country, and to testify generally in support of the proposed legislation. Subcommittee continues September 13.

FEDERAL EMPLOYMENT

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: In executive session, the subcommittee voted to report favorably to the full committee S. 2351, to consolidate laws relating to the receipt of compensation from dual employments under the U. S., repealing numerous conflicting provisions of the law. The subcommittee will make this report to the full committee next Tuesday, September 13, at which time it will also file a report on S. 2350, payment of annual leave to certain officers and employees of the Government.

The subcommittee voted to postpone indefinitely the three following bills: S. 1246, reemployment for certain employees of the Bureau of Prisons; S. 1467, relating to reemployment rights of persons released from Government employment to engage in private employment in behalf of the war effort; and S. 1598, relative to equipment allowances to postmasters.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Three public bills, H. R. 6166–6168; one private bill, H. R. 6169; and one resolution, H. Res. 355, were introduced. Page 12768

Bills Reported: Report was made as follows: Disposal of executive papers (H. Rept. 1335). Page 12768

President's Messages: Received veto message on H. R. 3589, to convey to the city of Miles City, Mont., certain lands in Custer County, Mont., for use as an industrial site. Page 12767

Also received recommendation of Arlington Memorial Amphitheater Commission on the erection of a memorial under Public Law 397, Sixty-sixth Congress. This message was referred to the Committee on Public Lands and ordered printed (H. Doc. No. 329). Page 12768

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

Monday, September 12, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate adjourned out of respect to Justice Rutledge and Representative Welch.
Senate groups approved foreign military aid bill and numerous private bills.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 12679–12771

Bills Introduced: Five resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. Res. 163 to S. Res. 166; and S. Con. Res. 65. Pages 12769, 12771, 12773–12774

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows: The following private bills: H. R. 584, 588, 683, 695, 733, 752, 1019, 1020, 1033, 1097, 1106, 1447, 1458, 1474, 1484, 1637, 1666, 1794, 1800, 1864, 2075, 2457, 2928, 3081, 3252, 3405, 2921, 3413, 3499, 3534, 3598, 3718, 3810, 3816, 3863, 4040, 4094, 4165, 4186, 4414, 4556, 4563, 4564, 4777, 4792, 4889, 5148, 5299, 5353, 5375, 5539, 5582, 5777, 5851, S. 44, 46, 47, 112, 139, 321, 570, 736, 753, 866, 914, 951, 1088, 1305, 1310, 1353, 1376, 1413, 1449, 1532, 1534, 1552, 1702, 1894, 2084, 2100, 2119, 2429, S. J. Res. 105, S. Res. 165, 166, S. Con. Res. 65, and H. R. 3300 (S. Repts. 981–1067, inclusive). Pages 12772–12774

Condolence Resolutions: Senate adopted two condolence resolutions, as follows:

S. Res. 163, expressing sorrow at the death of Justice Wiley B. Rutledge of the Supreme Court.

S. Res. 164, expressing sorrow at the death of Representative Richard J. Welch. Pages 12769–12771

Committee Meetings

RURAL TELEPHONES

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: In executive session on Saturday, September 10, the Committee continued its consideration of H. R. 2960, providing for rural telephones, but took no final action. Committee meets again on this bill on Tuesday.

SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS—GUAM—PORT-AU-PRINCE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on H. R. 6008, supplemental appropriations for 1950, continued hearings with the following witnesses from the Department of State appearing on behalf of funds for Port-au-Prince Bicentennial Exposition: Edward B. Wilber, budget officer; William E. DeCourcy, Ambassador to Haiti; Warren Kelchner and Frederick D. Hunt, both with Division of International Conferences; and Leland W. King, Division of Foreign Buildings Operations.

James P. Davis, Director, Division of Territories and Island Possessions, Department of the Interior, testified regarding transfer of administration of Guam from the Navy to the Department of the Interior. Mrs. Nellie Tayloe Ross and Leland Howard, Director and Assistant Director, respectively, of the Mint, discussed the medal to be struck in honor of Vice President Barkley. Hearings continue tomorrow.

FOREIGN MILITARY AID

Committees on Armed Services and Foreign Relations: In executive session, the committees voted to report to the Senate H. R. 5895, to provide military assistance to foreign nations, after striking out all after the enacting clause and substituting the contents of S. 2388, as amended, therefor.

The committees, by a vote of 20 yeas to 3 nays, approved S. 2388, to provide military assistance to foreign nations, after taking the following actions today on amendments: Rejected by 3 yeas to 19 nays, Russell amendment to reduce by 10 percent the sum of $211,370,000 proposed for Greece-Turkey aid; and adopted by 16 yeas to 6 nays, Vandenberg amendment to section 303 of the bill so that emergency fund of $75 million may be expended by President in the general area of China rather than in the area of "China and the Far East." Section 303, as amended, was then approved by 16 yeas to 5 nays.

For other actions on amendments to the bill by the committees, see prior issues of the Digest.

D. C. BETTERMENT LEGISLATION

Committee on the District of Columbia: The following representatives of local civic groups appeared before the committee in response to invitation to discuss proposals for betterment legislation for the District of Columbia: Hon. Jennings Randolph, Washington Aviation Association; John Connaughton, president, Federation of Citizens Association; Ralph Donnelly, NE Council of Citizens Associations; Mrs. Leslie B. Wright, NW Council Citizens Association; Mrs. Ernest W. Howard, president, North Washington Council of Citizens Associations; Wolsey Hall, Federation of Civic Associations; Mrs. Franklin G. Sartwell, Inter-Federation Council; J. D. Mann, D. C. Bar Association; Curtis Shears and Heber Rice, Federal Bar Association; Mrs. Olive Fair-

cloth, president, Women's Bar Association; and Daniel Crystal, Washington Chapter, Lawyers Guild. Hearing continues tomorrow.

WAR AND MOTOR CARRIER CLAIMS COMMISSIONS AND PRIVATE BILLS

Committee on the Judiciary: In executive session, the committee took the following actions: Three nominations to the War Claims Commission were voted reported favorably, as follows: Mrs. Georgia L. Lusk, New Mexico; Daniel F. Cleary, Illinois; and David N. Lewis, New York.

Two nominations to the Motor Carrier Claims Commission were approved, as follows: Thomas W. O'Hara, Wyoming, and Ernest M. Smith, Georgia.

Fifty-five private claims bills were ordered reported, as follows: S. 736, 321, 570, 914, 1088, 1111, 1310, 1353, 1449, 1534, 2119, H. R. 695, 584, 733, 752, 1019, 1474, 1637, 3598, 1020, 1097, 1106, 1458, 1484, 1598, 1666, 1800, 1864, 2075, 2457, 3081, 3252, 3405, 3499, 3534, 3810, 3863, 4094, 4165, 4414, 4556, 4563, 4564, 4777, 4792, 4889, 5148, 5353, 5582, 5777, 588, 683, 1794, and H. R. 3300.

Forty-one private claims bills were indefinitely postponed, as follows: S. 376, 160, 364, 387, 483, 574, 752, 785, 826, 964, 1091, 1108, 1149, 1178, 1212, 1228, 1339, 1487, 1497, 1562, 1663, 1713, 1761, 1878, 2009, 2023, 2032, 2101, 2120, 2182, 2282, H. R. 571, 1054, 1485, 1782, 2266, 3536, 5018, 5019, 5525, and 737.

Thirty-two private immigration bills were ordered reported as follows: S. 44, 46, 47, 112, 139, 753, 866, 951, 1305, 1376, 1413, 1532, 1552, 1702, 1894, 2084, 2100, 2429, S. J. Res. 105, H. R. 1033, 1447, 2921, 2928, 3413, 3718, 3816, 4040, 4186, 5299, 5375, 5539, 5851. The committee also ordered introduced and reported one original concurrent resolution on deportation referral cases.

Nine private immigration bills were indefinitely postponed, as follows: S. 203, 299, 303, 484, 561, 607, 841, 919, 1851.

Two simple resolutions (S. Res. 165 and 166) were reported to refer two private bills to Court of Claims.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 13, at 12 o'clock noon.

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

Tuesday, September 13, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate reached agreement to vote on trade agreements.
Senate group voted to report bills on rural telephones and on Forest Service.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 12771–12779

Bills Introduced: Five bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 2546 to S. 2550; and S. Con. Res. 66. Pages 12774–12775

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. R. 5895, to provide military assistance to foreign nations, with amendment (S. Rept. 1068); and

H. R. 5839, to facilitate and simplify the work of the Forest Service (S. Rept. 1069). Page 12774

Reciprocal Trade: Senate continued debate on H. R. 1211, extension of reciprocal trade agreement, with the pending question at recess still the Millikin amendment, including so-called peril-point provision, provision relating to extension of time, and the deposit of agreements with the Committees on Ways and Means and Finance.

An agreement was reached today that all debate on the bill would terminate at 4 p. m. Thursday, September 15, following which votes would be had on all amendments and on final passage. Pages 12779–12811

Confirmations: The nominations of Daniel F. Cleary, of Illinois, Mrs. Georgia L. Lusk, of New Mexico, and

David N. Lewis, of New York, to be members of the War Claims Commission, were confirmed, along with those of Thomas W. O'Hara, of Wyoming, and Ernest M. Smith, of Georgia, to be Chairman and member respectively, of the Motor Carrier Claims Commission. Page 12812

Nominations: Forty-four appointments in the Regular Army were received. Page 12812

Committee Meetings

RURAL TELEPHONES, FOREST SERVICE, AND CORN BORER

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: In executive session, the committee voted to report to the Senate an amended version of H. R. 2960, providing for rural telephones.

It voted to report without amendment H. R. 5839, to facilitate and simplify the work of the Forest Service.

It agreed to report with technical amendments S. Res. 158, to provide $10,000 for and authorize investigation of by the Agriculture and Forestry Committee, or subcommittee thereof, the current infestation in U. S. by the European corn borer.

FATS AND OILS

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Subcommittee on Utilization of Farm Crops received testimony from the following representatives of baking companies on the use of fats and oils in baking bread and kindred products: Raymond K. Stritzinger, president, Continental Baking Co. of New York; D. J. Uhrig, vice president, Purity Bakeries, Chicago; R. T. Bohm, vice president, General Baking Co., New York; and A. M. Grean, Jr., vice president, Ward Baking Co., New York. Subcommittee adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Continuing hearings on H. R. 6008, supplemental appropriations for 1950, subcommittee received testimony from the following witnesses in support of proposed appropriations for the respective purposes on which they testified: Carter T. Barron, Vice Chairman, and Edward Boykin, Director, both of the National Capital Sesquicentennial Commission; Gladys H. Cook, member of the Advisory Committee, Child Day Care Center Program of the District of Columbia; William Zimmerman, Acting Commissioner, and P. W. Danielson, both of the Bureau of Indian Affairs, on aid to education in Klamath County, Oreg.; Senator Magnuson and Charles D. Marshall, General Manager, Maritime Commission, on repair of vessels in the national defense reserve; and Senator Pepper on guided-missile project. Subcommittee adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

NATIONAL BANKS

Committee on Banking and Currency: An executive session of the committee was called to consider H. R. 1161, providing for the conversion, merger, or consolidation of national banks with State banks. It was agreed that the Subcommittee on Federal Reserve Matters would prepare a report on the bill for presentation at the next meeting of the full committee.

D. C. BETTERMENT LEGISLATION

Committee on the District of Columbia: Continuing its hearings on proposed betterment legislation for the District of Columbia, committee heard the following witnesses: Dr. William F. Hewitt, Commission for Health and Research of D. C.; Ferdinand Grayson, budget director, Communication Services, D. C.; Mrs. Louis Ottenberg, Washington Chapter, Council of Jewish Women; Mrs. Edgar Ansell Mowrer, president, Washington Art Center; Col. W. E. Leonard, Veterans Placement Office; Maynard DeWitt and Taft Feiman, both of the AVC; Mrs. Elizabeth DeSchweinitz; Mrs. Leah Lachenbruch; and J. C. Turner, Central Labor Union of AFL. Hearings continue tomorrow.

IMMIGRATION—SUBVERSIVE ALIENS

Committee on the Judiciary: In executive session, Subcommittee on Immigration interrogated the following witnesses with reference to the escape of Gerhart Eisler and the use of vessels of Government-owned Gdynia Line for activities contrary to the interests of the U. S., including the illegal transportation of espionage and propaganda agents: Anthony Tizechieski, former purchasing agent, Stanislaw C. Sztam, landing agent, Czeslaw Grzelak, vice president, and Roman M. Kutylowski, president, all of the Gydnia America Line. These hearings are in connection with the subcommittee's study of S. 1832, to amend the Immigration Act of 1918 to provide for exclusion and deportation of subversive aliens. Hearings continue tomorrow in open session.

HEALTH STUDY METHODS

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: In executive session, subcommittee voted to report to the full committee an amended version of S. 2211, relative to survey of persons suffering from chronic diseases. As approved by the subcommittee, the bill would authorize $200,000 for the Public Health Service to study methods of making surveys or obtaining reports on the incidents of chronic diseases or handicapping conditions among the population, and report back results to Congress within 18 months.

RELIGIOUS MEMORIAL

Committee on Rules and Administration: Subcommittee met in executive session to consider S. J. Res. 43, to

establish a commission to select site and design for memorial to contributions of members of all religious faiths to American military and naval history, but took no action.

LIBRARY

Committee on Rules and Administration: Subcommittee on Library met in executive session on calendar business, but took no final action. Full committee meets tomorrow.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Three public bills, H. R. 6170–6172; two private bills, H. R. 6173 and 6174; and two resolutions, H. Res. 356 and 357, were introduced. Page 12813

Condolence Resolutions: Adopted H. Res. 356, expressing condolence on the death of Associate Justice Wiley Rutledge of the U. S. Supreme Court.

Also adopted H. Res. 357, expressing condolence on the death of Representative Richard J. Welch of the Fifth Congressional District of California. Page 12813

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

Wednesday, September 14, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate continued debate of trade agreements.

Senate groups voted to report four noncontroversial measures.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 12814–12817

Bills Introduced: Six bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 2551 to S. 2556; and S. Res. 167. Pages 12815–12817

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. J. Res. 295, to authorize erection of a memorial to memory of Mohandas K. Gandhi (S. Rept. 1070);

H. R. 2960, providing for rural telephones, with amendments (S. Rept. 1071);

H. R. 3420, to authorize exchange and conveyance of wildlife refuge lands in the State of Washington (S. Rept. 1072);

S. 2477, to equalize the pay and retirement benefits of certain commissioned officers of the Coast Guard, with amendments (S. Rept. 1073);

S. 2350, to amend act relative to payment of annual leave to certain officers and employees (S. Rept. 1074);

S. 2351, to consolidate laws relating to the receipt of compensation from dual employments under the U. S., repealing numerous conflicting provisions of the law; with an amendment (S. Rept. 1075); and

S. Res. 154, to authorize the printing of 2,000 additional copies of hearings before the Judiciary Subcommittee on S. J. Res. 2, to amend Constitution regarding electoral-college system (no written report). Pages 12814–12815

Bill Rereferred: Committee on Agriculture and Forestry was discharged from further consideration of H. R. 5512, to amend section 130 of the Federal Farm Loan Act, and it was rereferred to the Committee on Banking and Currency. Page 12817

Printing: Senate adopted S. Res. 154, to authorize the printing of 2,000 additional copies of hearings before the Judiciary Subcommittee on S. J. Res. 2, to amend Constitution regarding electoral college system. Page 12814

Gandhi Memorial: H. J. Res. 295, to authorize erection of a memorial to the memory of Mohandas K. Gandhi, was adopted, clearing the bill for the President. Pages 12814–12815

Reciprocal Trade: Senate continued debate on H. R. 1211, extension of reciprocal trade agreements, with the pending question at recess remaining the same as on yesterday. Pages 12817–12865

Nominations: Senate received nominations of Stanton Griffis, of Connecticut, to be Ambassador to Argentina; Thomas W. S. Davis, of Virginia, to be Assistant Secretary of Commerce; along with 9 nominations to posts in the UN, 86 postmaster nominations, and 2 Army nominations. One postmaster nomination was withdrawn. Pages 12865–12866

Committee Meetings

D. C. BETTERMENT LEGISLATION

Committee on the District of Columbia: Committee held further hearings on proposed betterment legislation for the District of Columbia with several witnesses giving their views on one or more of the following subjects: Slum clearance, antisegregation, sales tax, automobile driving course in D. C. school system, home rule, public schools, fiscal matters, general improvement of the city, and making positions available for the aged. The witnesses were: J. C. Turner, Central Labor Union of AFL; Mrs. Charlotte Sillers, Women's Auxiliary of United Public Workers, CIO; Mrs. Gertrude Evans, Progressive Party; Mrs. Bertha Voorhurst, president, Women's City Club; Edgar G. Brown, president, National Negro Council; Washington I. Cleveland, president, American Automobile Association; A. J. Driscoll, Mid-City Citizens' Association; and Joseph Lohman, a guest witness from University of Chicago, who has done research in the field of segregation. Committee continues September 20.

UN—FOOD AND AGRICULTURE

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee voted to report to the full committee, with a perfecting amendment, S. J. Res. 128, to authorize the President to lend to the UN funds for the construction and furnishing of a permanent headquarters for the FAO, after receiving testimony on the proposed legislation from Secretary of Agriculture Brannan; Durward V. Sandifer, Office of United Nations Affairs, Department of State; John Davis, National Council of Farmers Cooperatives; Russell Smith, Farmers Union; John C. Lynn, American Farm Bureau; W. E. Dodds, Director General of the FAO; and Sir Thomas Broadley, Assistant Director General of the FAO.

WILDLIFE, COAST GUARD, AND FREIGHT FORWARDERS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: In executive session, committee voted to report to the Senate without amendment H. R. 3420, to authorize exchange and conveyance of wildlife refuge lands in the State of Washington, and with perfecting amendments S. 2477, to equalize the pay and retirement benefits of certain commissioned officers of the Coast Guard.

The committee voted to request the ICC to postpone its order until March 1, 1950, and that the committee delay until January 1, 1950, any action on S. 2113, to amend the Interstate Commerce Act to clarify the relationship of freight forwarders with motor common carriers.

IMMIGRATION—SUBVERSIVE ALIENS

Committee on the Judiciary: Howard Rushmore, with the New York Journal-American, and formerly a member of the Communist Party, appeared before the Subcommittee on Immigration to testify in support of S. 1832, to amend the Immigration Act of 1918 to provide for exclusion and deportation of subversive aliens. Hearings continue tomorrow.

PRIVATE BILL

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee held hearings on H. R. 4653 (S. 1247), a private bill.

RIVERS AND HARBORS AND FLOOD CONTROL

Committee on Public Works: Committee held further hearings on H. R. 5472, general flood-control and river and harbor bill, receiving testimony from Jack Dixon, Department of Interior, and Col. H. C. Gee, Corps of Engineers, on the Grand Prairie region, and the Bayou Meto, Ark. Senator Robertson appeared before the committee to discuss shore protection of Colonial Beach, Va. Committee adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

CONTESTED ELECTION, GANDHI MEMORIAL, AND SENATORS' TRAVEL PAY

Committee on Rules and Administration: In executive session, the committee voted to introduce and report an original resolution to provide for the payment of fees and expenses of legal counsel in the Senator Bilbo election contest. It approved for reporting without amendment H. J. Res. 295, to authorize erection of a memorial to the memory of Mohandas K. Gandhi, and S. Res. 154, to authorize the printing of 2,000 additional copies of hearings before the Judiciary Subcommittee on S. J. Res. 2, to amend Constitution regarding electoral college system of electing President and Vice President.

It approved a committee resolution regulating the per diem rates for Senators traveling outside continental limits of the U. S., as well as transacted routine committee business.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Friday, September 16, at 12 o'clock noon.

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

Thursday, September 15, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

By vote of 62 to 19, Senate voted to extend trade agreements program.

Senate groups acted on antidiscrimination and noncontroversial armed services bills.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 12936–12938

Bills Introduced: Five bills were introduced, as follows: S. 2557 to S. 2561. Page 12937

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. R. 86, to amend the Civil Service Retirement Act so as to make such act applicable to the officers and employees of the Columbia Institution for the Deaf (S. Rept. 1076);

S. J. Res. 58, to provide for rehearing of Bellows Falls Hydroelectric Corp., and a review of any FPC order therein (S. Rept. 1077—accompanied by individual views of Senator Reed);

H. R. 524, to convey to the county of Los Angeles, Calif., a certain portion of a tract of land (S. Rept. 1078);

H. R. 540, to provide terminal leave pay for certain officers of the Navy and Marine Corps (S. Rept. 1079);

H. R. 3864, private bill (S. Rept. 1080);

H. R. 4767, to clarify the active-duty status of certain officers of the Army and Air Force (S. Rept. 1081);

H. R. 5342, to authorize the Secretary of Defense to loan certain military equipment to Boy Scouts of America for use at their Second National Jamboree (S. Rept. 1082);

H. J. Res. 230, authorizing the construction and presentation of a hospital to the people of St. Lawrence, Newfoundland, on behalf of the U. S. in recognition of heroic services rendered to officers and men of the U. S. Navy (S. Rept. 1083); and

S. 2559, to extend officers' retirement benefits to certain Army enlisted men (S. Rept. 1084). Page 12937

Reciprocal Trade: By vote of 62 yeas to 19 nays, Senate passed without amendment and cleared for President H. R. 1211, extension of reciprocal trade agreements, after taking the following actions on amendments:

Rejected, by 38 yeas to 43 nays, Millikin amendment, including so-called peril-point provision, provision relating to extension of time, and the deposit of agreements with the Committees on Ways and Means and Finance. (Motion to lay on the table motion to reconsider vote by which Millikin amendment had been rejected was adopted, 43 yeas to 38 nays.)

McCarthy amendment authorizing establishment of import quotas on furs was at first adopted 43 yeas to 40 nays; however, a motion to lay on the table motion to reconsider vote by which this amendment had been adopted was, in effect, rejected by vote of 41 yeas to 41 nays, following which, motion to reconsider the vote was adopted 41 yeas to 40 nays, and on the question of reconsideration the McCarthy amendment was rejected by 40 yeas to 43 nays.

Rejected, by 27 yeas to 54 nays Knowland amendment providing for termination, after investigation, of trade agreement with any country discriminating against American commerce;

Rejected, by 40 yeas to 41 nays, amendment by Senator Thomas of Oklahoma providing for import quotas on oil products;

Rejected, by 29 yeas to 53 nays, Butler amendment incorporating escape clause to cover importation of articles causing injury to domestic industry;

Rejected, by 20 yeas to 61 nays, Kilgore amendment on hand-made glassware or hand-made pottery;

Rejected, by 33 yeas to 49 nays, the Millikin amendment to change the duration of the act from 3 years to 2 years; and

Rejected, by 17 yeas to 64 nays, the Malone substitute amendment for the bill. Pages 12867–12936

Private Bill: Senate, by vote of 45 yeas to 6 nays, overrode President's veto of H. R. 1036, a private bill, thus enacting it into law. Pages 12938–12940

Ilgenfritz Nomination: The nomination of Carl A. Ilgenfritz, of Pennsylvania, to be Chairman of the Munitions Board was taken up, and it was agreed that vote on his confirmation would be had at 3 p. m. Friday, September 16, the time between noon and 3 p. m. to be controlled by Senators Tydings and Byrd. Page 12941

Confirmations: Numerous nominations in the Air Force were confirmed, along with 57 postmaster nominations. Page 12942

Nominations: Seven Marine Corps and fourteen Coast Guard nominations were received, along with six civilian nominations including the following: Sherman Minton, of Indiana, to be Associate Justice of the U. S. Supreme Court; Walter C. Lindley, of Illinois, to be judge of U. S. Court of Appeals for Seventh Circuit; Casper Platt, of Illinois, to be U. S. district judge for the eastern district of Illinois; and Ernest W. Gibson, of Vermont, to be U. S. district judge for Vermont. Pages 12941–12942

Committee Meetings

EGG PRICE SUPPORT

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Subcommittee opened hearings on S. 2482, to repeal mandatory price-support provisions for Irish potatoes and eggs, with the following three officials of the Poultry Branch of the Department of Agriculture presenting and discussing factual data on the egg price-support program: W. D. Termohlen, Director; R. W. Lennartson, Assistant Director; and C. C. Warren, Assistant Chief of the Commodity Programs Division. Subcommittee continues September 19.

SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee continued hearings on H. R. 6008, supplemental appropriations for 1950, receiving testimony from the following witnesses in support of proposed appropriations for the respective purposes on which they testified: David Lynn, Architect of the Capitol; Lewis Marston, manager, Senate restaurants; and Charles A. Henlock, Office of the Architect of the Capitol, on funds for repair and improvements of Senate restaurants; J. W. Whitney, attorney, of Tulsa, on refund of taxes to certain Indian wards; Vernon E. West, D. C. Corporation Counsel, on funds for the Office of Corporation Counsel; Daniel L. Seckinger, D. C. Assistant Health Officer, and representatives of Children's Hospital, Eastern Dispensary and Casualty Hospital, and Central Dispensary and Emergency Hospital on medical charities for the District of Columbia; John W. Tramberg, D. C. Director of Public Welfare, on supplemental appropriations for D. C. day-care centers; and William G. Wilding, D. C. Deputy Budget Officer, on funds for settlement of claims and suits against D. C. government. Subcommittee adjourned subject to call of Chair.

NOMINATIONS, ARMED SERVICE OFFICERS, NEWFOUNDLAND, BOY SCOUTS, LOS ANGELES, QUARTERMASTER CORPS, AND FLORIDA

Committee on Armed Services: Committee voted to report favorably the nominations of 42 generals in the Air Force and Air Force Reserve.

It likewise voted to report the following bills to the Senate, without amendment: H. R. 524, to convey to the county of Los Angeles, Calif., a certain portion of a tract of land; H. R. 540, to provide terminal leave pay for certain officers of the Navy and Marine Corps; H. R. 3864, private bill; H. R. 4767, to clarify the active-duty status of certain officers of the Army and Air Force; H. R. 5342, to authorize the Secretary of Defense to loan certain military equipment to Boy Scouts of America for use at their Second National Jamboree; H. J. Res. 230, authorizing the construction and presentation of a hospital to the people of St. Lawrence, Newfoundland, on behalf of the U. S. in recognition of heroic services rendered to officers and men of the U. S. Navy; S. 2559, to extend officers' retirement benefits to certain Army enlisted men; and S. 2382, to authorize construction of research laboratory for Quartermaster Corps.

It voted to report with amendments S. 489, to authorize refund to the Florida Keys Aqueduct Commission of the sum advanced for certain water facilities.

Other bills were considered by the committee, but final action on them was held over until a later meeting.

IMMIGRATION—SUBVERSIVE ALIENS

Committee on the Judiciary: Continuing hearings on S. 1832, to amend the Immigration Act of 1918 to provide for exclusion and deportation of subversive aliens, Subcommittee on Immigration received further testimony in support of the bill, this time by Larry Kerley, New York Journal-American. Hearings continue tomorrow.

ANTIDISCRIMINATION

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee, in executive session, voted to report to the full committee without amendment S. 1728, to prohibit discrimination in employment because of race, color, religion, or national origin.

The subcommittee will make its report to the full committee tomorrow, at which time the full committee is scheduled to act on the subcommittee's recommendations.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Friday, September 16, at 12 o'clock noon.

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

Friday, September 16, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate rejected nomination of Ilgenfritz to Munitions Board, and passed Revenue Code bill.

Senate group voted to report bills on national health institutes, and sickness survey.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 12962–12967

Bills Introduced: Six bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 2562 to S. 2567; and S. Res. 168.

Pages 12962–12963

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. Res. 158, to provide $10,000 for and authorize investigation of, by the Agriculture and Forestry Committee, or subcommittee thereof, the current infestation in U. S. by the European corn borer, with amendment (S. Rept. 1085)—referred to Committee on Rules and Administration;

S. Res. 168, to provide for payment of fees and expenses of legal counsel in the Senator Bilbo election contest (S. Rept. 1086); and

S. 2491, to convey land and buildings at Fort Kearney Military Reservation to Rhode Island, with amendment (S. Rept. 1087).

Pages 12962

Ilgenfritz Nomination: By vote of 28 yeas to 40 nays, Senate rejected the nomination of Carl A. Ilgenfritz, of Pennsylvania, to be Chairman of the Munitions Board.

Pages 12942–12954, 12957–12961

Reciprocal Trade: Senate adopted order to the effect that Journal entry of Thursday, September 15, showing vote of 41 yeas to 40 nays on motion to reconsider vote on so-called McCarthy fur amendment to H. R. 1211, extension of reciprocal trade agreements, be corrected to show tie vote of 41 yeas to 41 nays, and that the motion to reconsider be deemed to have been agreed to by vote of 42 yeas to 41 nays, since the Vice President, if vote had been correctly announced, would have voted in the affirmative.

Pages 12961–12962

FTC Nomination: The nomination of John Carson, of Michigan, to be Federal Trade Commissioner, was debated but it was agreed to vote on the confirmation at 12:30 p. m. Monday, September 19.

Pages 12967, 12971–12987

Internal Revenue: By voice vote, Senate passed, with amendments, H. R. 5268, to amend certain provisions of the Internal Revenue Code including sections on farmers' return, foreign tax credit, charitable deductions by corporations, transfer of stocks between corporations and nominee, employee annuity contracts, and relinquishment of powers in case of reciprocal trusts.

Before passing the bill the committee amendments were adopted, as amended, as follows:

Myers-Martin amendment providing exception in case of estate transfers after March 3, 1931, and before June 7, 1932; Robertson amendment respecting definition of "reversionary interest"; Williams amendment respecting transfers with reversionary interest retained; Lucas amendment with respect to estates of decedents dying on or after January 29, 1940; Kem amendment respecting tripoli, granite, marble, etc.; Maybank amendment increasing by $100 exemption on goods purchased abroad by returning traveler; Capehart amendment respecting exchange of stock in testamentary trust in connection with recapitalization; and Robertson amendment concerning distribution of stock on reorganization.

Senate asked for a conference and appointed as conferees Senators George, Connally, Byrd, Johnson of Colorado, Lucas, Millikin, Taft, Butler, and Williams.

Pages 12987–12998

Private Bill: H. R. 4040, a private bill, was passed without amendment, clearing it for the President.

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Committee Meetings

IMMIGRATION—SUBVERSIVE ALIENS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Immigration met in executive session to receive further testimony from unannounced witnesses on S. 1832, to amend the Immigration Act of 1918 to provide for exclusion and deportation of subversive aliens.

DISPLACED PERSONS—SHANGHAI REFUGEES

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee continued its hearings on proposed displaced-persons legislation, receiving testimony from the following witnesses in behalf of Shanghai refugees: Simon Bergmann, American-Jewish Joint Distribution Committee, Shanghai; Bowman MacArthur, D. C. attorney; Archbishop Johns, Russian Orthodox Church of Shanghai; Dr. Nicholas Alexander, dean of the Holy Trinity Seminar; Robert Pilpel, American-Jewish Joint Distribution Committee, New York; and Vladimar L. Zagayko, naval architect, Navy Yard, Brooklyn. Subcommittee continues September 23.

NATIONAL HEALTH INSTITUTES, SICKNESS SURVEY, AND ANTIDISCRIMINATION

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: In executive session, the committee voted to report with amendments S. 2211, to authorize $200,000 for the Public Health Service to study methods of making survey or obtaining reports on the incidents of chronic diseases or handicapping conditions among the population and report back results to Congress within 18 months.

The committee also voted to introduce and report an original bill to create additional national health institutes. It discussed at some length S. 1728, to prohibit discrimination in employment because of race, color, religion, or national origin, but took no final action.

Various routine nominations in the Public Health Service were voted reported favorably.

LABOR-MANAGEMENT RELATIONS

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee, in pursuance of S. Res. 140, authorizing the Committee on Labor and Public Welfare to investigate the field of labor-management relations and to file a report thereon, held an executive session for preliminary organizational purposes.

RIVERS AND HARBORS AND FLOOD CONTROL

Committee on Public Works: In executive session, the committee considered H. R. 5472, general flood-control and river and harbor bill, approving all items of the House-approved bill except the Grand Prairie project, Arkansas. This item was deferred for later action, at which time the committee plans to reach a vote on reporting the bill. Committee adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: One public bill, H. R. 6175, and one resolution, H. Res. 358, were introduced.

Pages 13000–13001

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

Monday, September 19, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate debated foreign military aid bill.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 13012–13015

Bills Introduced: Five bills and three resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2568 to S. 2572; and S. Res. 169 to S. Res. 171. Page 13013

Bills Reported: One report was made as follows:

S. 489, to authorize refund to the Florida Keys Aqueduct Commission of the sum advanced for certain water facilities, with amendments (S. Rept. 1088). Page 13013

FTC Nomination: By vote of 45 yeas to 25 nays, Senate confirmed the nomination of John Carson, of Michigan, to be Federal Trade Commissioner. Pages 13001–13012

Foreign Military Aid: Senate began consideration of H. R. 5895, to provide military assistance to foreign nations. Pages 13015–13034

Confirmations: Ten nominations in the Public Health Service were confirmed. Page 13040

Nominations: Seven civilian nominations were received. Page 13040

Committee Meetings

EGG AND POTATO PRICE SUPPORT

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Subcommittee continued hearings on S. 2482, to repeal mandatory price-support provisions for Irish potatoes and eggs, with the following officials of the Production and Marketing Administration of the Department of Agriculture recommending that the bill not be approved: Ralph S. Trigg, Administrator; W. D. Termohlen, Director, Poultry Branch; and George R. Grange, Potato Division, Fruit and Vegetable Branch.

L. D. Schrieber, Chicago Mercantile Exchange, and Michael Fox, Peter Fox & Sons, Chicago, testified on the operation of the commodity markets with particular reference to eggs. Hearings continue tomorrow.

SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee, in executive session, marked up for reporting to the full committee H. R. 6008, supplemental appropriations for 1950. Full committee meets tomorrow to act on reporting the bill.

SCHOOLS AND INDIANS

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: In executive session, committee voted to report without amendment H. R. 554, to provide for the construction, extension, and improvement of school buildings in Hoopa, Calif., and H. R. 4986, relating to cancellation of certain unpaid interest charges concerning Flathead Indian irrigation project, Montana.

It voted to report with amendments H. R. 4815, to provide for medical services to non-Indians in Indian hospitals.

ANTIMONOPOLY

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee held hearings on H. R. 2734, to amend the Clayton Antitrust Act so as to make illegal the purchase of assets in restraint of trade or tending to lessen competition or to create monopoly, with Senator O'Mahoney and William T. Kelley testifying in support of the proposed legislation. Hearings continue Wednesday.

VETERANS HOSPITAL PROGRAM

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Special Veterans Subcommittee on Hospital Cut-Back met in executive session with Carl R. Gray, Jr., Administrator of Veterans' Affairs, and Fred A. McNamara, Division of Estimates, Bureau of the Budget, and their respective assistants, to discuss the veterans hospital cut-back program.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 20, at 12 o'clock noon.

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

Joint Committee Meetings

PAPER CONTRACT AWARDS

Joint Committee on Printing: The committee awarded contracts for 117 lots of paper, totaling 28,865,000 pounds, for the quarterly period beginning October 1, 1949. The lots on which no awards were recommended total 175,000 pounds, or approximately 0.63 percent of the entire schedule.

This quarter marked the first paper price increase in the last 1½ years. The value of the schedule just approved, based on current prices, amounts to $2,810,324.00, while the same schedule based on the new price is $2,946,173.65, or an increase of $135,849.65, which amounts to 4.8 percent.

Tuesday, September 20, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate continued debate on foreign military aid bill.
Supplemental appropriations bill ordered reported to Senate.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 13041–13043

Bills Introduced: Two bills were introduced, as follows: S. 2573 to S. 2574. Page 13041

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. R. 6006, private bill (S. Rept. 1089);

H. R. 554, to provide for the construction, extension, and improvement of school buildings in Hoopa, Calif. (S. Rept. 1090);

S. 2522, to stabilize prices of agricultural commodities by providing for flexible support prices varying from 75 to 90 percent of "modern" parity (S. Rept. 1091);

H. R. 6008, supplemental appropriations for 1950, with amendments (S. Rept. 1092).

S. 2382, to authorize construction of research laboratory for Quartermaster Corps, with an amendment (S. Rept. 1093);

H. R. 4986, relating to cancellation of certain unpaid interest charges concerning Flathead Indian irrigation project, Montana (S. Rept. 1094);

H. R. 4815, to provide for medical services to non-Indians in Indian hospitals, with amendments (S. Rept. 1095); and

S. Con. Res. 14, to create a Joint Congressional Committee To Study Presidential Election and Succession, with amendment (S. Rept. 1096). Page 13041

Foreign Military Aid: Senate continued debate of H. R. 5895, to provide military assistance to foreign nations, the pending question at recess being adoption of committee substitute amendment.. Pages 13043–13057, 13060, 13062–13064

Nominations: Two Navy nominations in the rank of rear admiral were received. Page 13065

Committee Meetings

EGG AND POTATO PRICE SUPPORT

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Continuing hearings on S. 2482, to repeal mandatory price-support provisions for Irish potatoes and eggs, subcommittee received testimony from N. E. Hess, Great Western Distributors, Chicago, on the operation of commodity exchanges with special reference to eggs.

Roy W. Lennartson, Assistant Director, Poultry Branch of Department of Agriculture, appeared to give the subcommittee further information on the egg price-support program. J. M. Mehl, Administrator, Commodity Exchange Authority, urged that the subcommittee take early action on S. 1751, to amend the Commodity Exchange Act under which the Secretary of Agriculture regulates trading in futures.

SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: In executive session, committee voted to report with amendments H. R. 6008, supplemental appropriations for 1950. As approved by the committee, the bill would appropriate $103,591,789, an increase of $30,801,268 over the House-approved bill. As passed by the House, the bill would appropriate $72,790,521. The budget estimates considered by the Senate total $90,832,963. The committee included in the bill $25,000,000 for U. S. Maritime Commission for repair of vessels in national defense reserve, an item not included in the budget estimates.

D. C. GENERAL WELFARE CLINIC

Committee on the District of Columbia: Committee continued its series of hearings on proposed betterment legislation for the District of Columbia, with the following witnesses testifying on general welfare clinic: Frederick P. H. Siddons, president, Board of Trade;

Mrs. John McClintock, League of Women Voters; Benjamin Streiner, president, Federation of Business Men's Associations; George D. Riley, AFL; James Mark, UMW; Col. Charles I. Stengle, American Federation of Government Employees; Ben Sigal, Washington representative, Americans for Democratic Action; William F. Fadler, Young Democrats of the D. C., and Democratic Club of the D. C.; Gerhard Van Arkel, Democratic Central Committee; L. S. Price, president, Firemen's Association of the D. C.; Paul Bradshaw, Oldest Inhabitants of the D. C.; and Gertrude Parks, Federation of Women's Clubs. Hearings continue tomorrow.

EUROPEAN TRADE AND NOMINATIONS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Secretary of Treasury Snyder appeared before an executive session of the committee to discuss the European trade situation.

The committee voted to report various nominations, including Stanton Griffis, of Connecticut, to be Ambassador to Argentina; Joseph C. Satterthwaite, of Michigan, to be Ambassador to Ceylon; and Robert D. Murphy, of Wisconsin, to be Ambassador to Belgium; four nominations to be representatives of the U. S. to the fourth session of the General Assembly of the UN, and five alternate representatives; five nominations to the UNESCO; together with routine appointments in the Diplomatic and Foreign Service.

FUR LABELING

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee concluded hearings on H. R. 5187, to protect consumers and others against misbranding, false advertising, and false invoicing of fur products, after receiving testimony in opposition to the bill from the following witnesses: Manfred H. Benedek, Associated Fur Manufacturers, Inc., New York; Joseph L. Stein, Fur Dressers and Fur Dyers Association, Inc., New York; Maxwell Albach, A. Hollander & Son, Inc.; Louis M. Weber, attorney, representing the Fur Wholesalers Association of America, Inc.; Charles Gold, Master Furriers Guild of America, Inc., New York; and David R. Hochberg, American Fur Merchants Association.

INLAND WATERWAYS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: In connection with its consideration of S. 211, to amend the act to create the Inland Waterways Corporation, to increase the capital stock, and authorize appropriation of an additional $18,000,000 for paying for such subscription, the subcommittee, in executive session, considered a report on the Federal Barge Line made by a member of its staff (E. R. Jelsma) on an inspection trip to New Orleans. No final decision was reached.

SUPREME COURT JUSTICE

Committee on the Judiciary: In executive session, committee considered the nomination of Sherman Minton to be Associate Justice of the U. S. Supreme Court, but took no action. Committee adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: One public bill, H. R. 6176, and one private bill, H. R. 6177, were introduced. Page 13066

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

Wednesday, September 21, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate agreed to vote tomorrow on foreign military aid bill.
House sent three appropriation bills to conference.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 13066–13079

Bills Introduced: Eight bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2575 to S. 2582; and S. Res. 172 and S. Res. 173. Pages 13067–13068

Foreign Military Aid: Senate continued debate on H. R. 5895, to provide military assistance to foreign nations, reaching an agreement to vote at 6 p. m. Thursday, September 22, on all amendments and passage of the bill, the time between noon and 6 p. m. to be equally divided between Senators Connally and George. At recess the pending question was the George amendment to reduce by $200,000,000 authorizations for appropriations as carried in committee amendment.

Pages 13079–13098, 13102–13113

Confirmations: Senate confirmed nominations of Stanton Griffis, of Connecticut, to be Ambassador to Argentina; Robert D. Murphy, of Wisconsin, to be Ambassador to Belgium; Joseph C. Satterthwaite, of Michigan, to be Ambassador to Ceylon; five nominations to the UNESCO; together with routine appointments in the Diplomatic and Foreign Service. Page 13119

Nomination: The nomination of Selden Chapin, of D. C., to be Ambassador to the Netherlands, was received. Page 13119

Committee Meetings

INTERNATIONAL WHEAT AGREEMENT

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Subcommittee heard Ralph S. Trigg, Administrator, PMA, of the Department of Agriculture, and Dr. D. A. Fitzgerald, Director, Food and Agriculture Division of ECA, testify in support of S. 2383, proposing enabling legislation to carry out the international wheat agreement, a bill introduced at the suggestion of the Administration. Don Parel, American Farm Bureau Federation, testified in support of the bill, but proposed an amendment. H. E. Sanford, accompanied by William F. Brooks, both of the National Grain Trade Council, testified generally in support of the objectives of such legislation, but proposed amendments to S. 2383. Hearings continue tomorrow.

D. C. GENERAL WELFARE CLINIC

Committee on the District of Columbia: Committee concluded its series of hearings on proposed betterment legislation for the District of Columbia, after receiving further testimony on general welfare clinic from the following witnesses: Dr. John W. Rustin, Federation of Churches; Dr. Stephen Spottswood, NAACP; Sophia Carey, Fellowship of Free Service; Sylvia Altman, Civic Labor Committee; Dr. James T. Feffer, Washington Tuberculosis Association; Alec Weinstein, B'nai B'rith Anti-Defamation League; Lillian Evanti; and Elmer W. Henderson, American Council on Human Rights.

SECRETARY OF COMMERCE AND NOMINATIONS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: In executive session, committee voted to report favorably to the Senate the nomination of Thomas W. Davis to be Assistant Secretary of Commerce, together with routine Coast Guard and Coast and Geodetic Survey nominations.

LAND AND WATER TRANSPORTATION

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: In pursuance of S. Res. 50, to investigate problems relating to air-line industry, U. S. merchant marine, domestic land and water transportation, and radio, telegraph, and telephone communications, subcommittee, in executive session, discussed progress of its study of domestic land and water transportation, but made no announcement of any action taken. Subcommittee adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

ANTIMONOPOLY

Committee on the Judiciary: Continuing hearings on H. R. 2734, to amend the Clayton Antitrust Act so as to make illegal the purchase of assets in restraint of trade or tending to lessen competition or to create monopoly, the subcommittee received further testimony from William T. Kelley, FTC, in support of the legislation. Representative Celler and Dr. John M. Blair, of the FTC, also testified in support of the bill.

Katherine Parsons, Pennsylvania Manufacturers Association, appeared in opposition to the bill. Hearings continue Friday.

VA EMPLOYEES, NATIONAL HEALTH INSTITUTES, AND ANTIDISCRIMINATION

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: In executive session, the committee voted to report without amendment H. R. 6022, increasing the rates of compensation of certain employees of the Department of Medicine and Surgery of the Veterans' Administration, and S. 2541, extending the period for which certain VA employees may be detailed from training and research.

It voted to authorize the incorporation of the contents of S. 2272, to make uniform the composition of advisory councils of the national institutes of health, as an amendment to an original bill which the committee on September 16 voted to introduce and report. That bill proposes to create additional national health institutes. It is expected that this bill will be introduced and reported tomorrow.

The full committee is scheduled to meet again Friday to consider S. 1728, antidiscrimination bill.

VA EMPLOYEES

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee held hearings on H. R. 6022, increasing the rates of

compensation of certain employees of the Department of Medicine and Surgery of the Veterans' Administration, with the following witnesses testifying: Guy H. Birdsall, Dr. Arden Freer, and Dr. H. A. Press, all of the VA, and T. O. Kraabel, American Legion.

POSTAL RATES AND POSTMASTER NOMINATIONS

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: In executive session, the committee voted to report 33 postmaster nominations. It also considered S. 1103, to increase certain postal rates, but took no action. It will continue consideration of this bill September 27.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Fourteen public bills, H. R. 6178–6191; eight private bills, H. R. 6192–6199; and two resolutions, H. J. Res. 351 and H. Con. Res. 135, were introduced. Pages 13128–13129

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. J. Res. 23, designating November 19, the anniversary of Lincoln's Gettysburg Address, as Dedication Day (H. Rept. 1336); and

H. J. Res. 184, authorizing the President to proclaim the first Monday of February as National Children's Dental Health Week (H. Rept. 1337). Page 13128

Veto Messages: Referred a veto message, received on August 30, on H. R. 559, to confer jurisdiction upon the U. S. district court to hear, determine, and render judgment upon the claims of the city of Needles, Calif., and the California-Pacific Utilities Co. The message was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary and ordered printed as a House document (H. Doc. No. 334).

Also referred a veto message, received on September 9, on H. R. 3589, to convey to the city of Miles City, Mont., certain lands in Custer County, Mont., for use as an industrial site. The message was referred to the Committee on Public Lands and ordered printed as a House document (H. Doc. No. 335). Page 13119–13120

Appropriations: The House today sent the following appropriation bills to conference:

Military Establishment: Disagreed to Senate amendments to H. R. 4146, the Military Establishment appropriation bill for 1950; agreed to a conference requested by the Senate; and appointed, as conferees, Representatives Mahon, Sheppard, Sikes, Cannon, Engel of Michigan, and Plumley. Page 13122

Interior: Disagreed to Senate amendments to H. R. 3838, the Department of Interior appropriation bill for 1950; agreed to a conference requested by the Senate; and appointed, as conferees, Representatives Kirwan, Norrell, Jackson of Washington, Cannon, Jensen, and Fenton. Page 13122

Third deficiency: Disagreed to Senate amendments to H. R. 5300, third deficiency appropriation bill for 1949; agreed to a conference requested by the Senate; and appointed Representatives Cannon, Kerr, Rabaut, Taber, and Plumley as conferees on the part of the House. Page 13122

Veterans Autos: Insisted on its amendment to S. 2115, authorizing payments by the Administrator of Veterans' Affairs on the purchase of automobiles or other conveyances by certain disabled veterans; agreed to a conference asked by the Senate; and appointed, as conferees, Representatives Rankin, Allen of Louisiana, Teague, Rogers of Massachusetts, and Kearney. Page 13122

Cleared for the President: Agreed to Senate amendments to the following bills, thereby clearing them for Presidential action:

Surplus airport property: H. R. 3851, to amend Public Law 289 (80th Cong.), with respect to surplus airport property and to provide for the transfer of compliance functions with relation to such property. Page 13122

Coast Guard: H. R. 1824, to provide for crediting civilian service in computing military pay of former civilian employees of certain Government departments who were transferred to Coast Guard in military status. Page 13124

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

Thursday, September 22, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

By vote of 55 to 24, Senate passed foreign military aid bill.

House sent minimum-wage bill to conference.

Senate groups voted to report bills on national banks, credit unions, Export-Import Bank, foreign trade zones, zinc, and veterans.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 13129–13130, 13168–13175

Bills Introduced: Nine bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 2583 to S. 2591; and S. J. Res. 130. Pages 13129, 13168

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 2584, to authorize $200,000 for Public Health Service to study methods of making survey or obtaining reports on the incidence of chronic diseases or handicapping conditions among the population and report back results to Congress within 18 months (S. Rept. 1097);

H. R. 6022, increasing the rates of compensation of certain employees of the Department of Medicine and Surgery of the VA (S. Rept. 1098);

S. 2541, extending the period for which certain VA employees may be detailed for training and research (S. Rept. 1099);

S. 2590, to amend section 3526 of Revised Statutes, relating to coinage of subsidiary silver coins (S. Rept. 1100);

S. 2197, to amend the Export-Import Bank Act of 1945 to vest in the bank the power to guarantee investments abroad (S. Rept. 1101); and

S. 2591, to create additional national health institutes and make uniform the compensation of the advisory councils of such institutes (S. Rept. 1102). Pages 13129, 13168–13169

Foreign Military Aid: By 55 yeas to 24 nays, Senate passed, with amendments, H. R. 5895, to provide military assistance to foreign nations. Prior to passage, Senate adopted committee substitute amendment, after taking the following action on amendments thereto:

By voice vote, adopted, two Ferguson amendments, (1) respecting additional authority of President in future to enter into contracts for accomplishing purposes of act, and (2) making funds available after President agrees to recommendations for an integrated defense of North Atlantic area, and providing that such recommendations shall be limited to amounts authorized in act; and Magnuson amendment providing that at least half of gross tonnages of equipment furnished shall be transported in U. S. vessels.

Rejected: by 32 yeas to 46 nays, George amendment to reduce by $200,000,000 authorizations for appropriation; by 31 yeas to 47 nays, Knowland amendment to reduce appropriation authorizations by $100,000,000 and contract authorizations by $100,000,000; by voice vote, Sparkman amendment stating desirability of review of UN Charter, and earmarking 10 to 25 percent of funds for an Atlantic Police Force; by voice vote, a series of three Murray amendments barring assistance to Britain for military establishments in partitioned area of Ireland; and by 7 yeas to 71 nays, Jenner amendment earmarking 7½ percent of funds for repair of churches abroad.

Senate asked for a conference and appointed as conferees Senators Connolly, Thomas of Utah, Pepper, Wiley, Chapman, Johnson of Texas, Bridges, and Gurney. Pages 13130–13168

Military Pay: Senate made its unfinished business H. R. 5007, armed services pay bill. Page 13174

Fish Restoration: By unanimous consent, Senator Johnson of Colorado filed a motion to reconsider passage of H. R. 1746, to provide U. S. aid to States in fish restoration and management projects, and the Senate agreed that the House be requested to return the bill to the Senate. Page 13169

Confirmations: The nomination of Thomas W. S. Davis, of Virginia, to be Assistant Secretary of Commerce was confirmed, along with 14 nominations in the Coast Guard, 2 in the Coast and Geodetic Survey, and 33 postmasters. Pages 13176–13177

Nominations: One hundred and forty-three appointments in the Regular Army were received. Page 13176

Committee Meetings

INTERNATIONAL WHEAT AGREEMENT

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Subcommittee agreed to report to the full committee both S. 2287 and S. 2383, proposing enabling legislation to carry out the international wheat agreement, with recommendations for early action on the proposed legislation and for serious consideration of various proposed amendments to the bills.

Before taking this action, the subcommittee heard Russell Smith, legislative secretary of the National Farmers Union, testify in support of S. 2382; Herman Fakler, vice president, Millers National Federation, appeared in support of the general objectives of the legislation, but suggested amendments to S. 2383.

FATS AND OILS

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Subcommittee on Utilization of Farm Crops received testimony from two representatives of dairy companies in connection with the subcommittee's investigation into the "spread between the farmer and the consumer on foods and fibers": L. A. VanBomel, president, National Dairy Products Corp., New York, and Theodore G. Montague, president, Borden Co., New York. Hearings continue tomorrow.

NATIONAL BANKS—CREDIT UNION—EXPORT-IMPORT BANK—COINS

Committee on Banking and Currency: In executive session, the committee voted to report without amendment H. R. 1161, providing for the conversion, merger, or consolidation of national banks with State banks; S. 2560, to amend the Federal Credit Union Act by increasing period for loans to members from 2 to 3 years, increasing unsecured loan limit from $300 to $400, and providing a 10-percent ceiling of shareholdings on required regular reserves; and S. 2197, to amend the Export-Import Bank Act of 1945 to vest in the bank the power to guarantee investments abroad.

The committee also agreed that a bill be introduced and reported (S. 2590) to amend section 3526 of the Revised Statutes so as to authorize the Treasury Department to charge losses incurred in the recoinage of worn and uncurrent subsidiary silver coins, and this cost of distributing silver coins, to the fund which arises from the coinage of silver bullion into coins of nominal value exceeding the cost of the bullion.

FOREIGN TRADE ZONES, ZINC, VETERANS, AND NOMINATIONS

Committee on Finance: In executive session, committee voted to report with amendment H. R. 5332, to amend section 3 of the act of June 18, 1934, relating to the establishment of foreign-trade zones, after agreeing to incorporate the contents of S. 639, to exempt from import duty zinc in blocks, pigs, or slabs under certain conditions, as an amendment to the bill.

It voted to report without amendment H. R. 5598, omnibus benefits bill for service-connected disabled veterans.

The nominations of Wesley R. Wirtz to be collector of customs at New Orleans, and Joseph H. Lyons to reappointment as collector of customs at Mobile were reported favorably.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Five public bills, H. R. 6200–6204; four private bills, H. R. 6205–6208; and eight resolutions, H. J. Res. 352 and 353, H. Con. Res. 136, and H. Res. 359–363, were introduced. Page 13184

Bills Reported: One report was made as follows: Conference report on S. 1407, to promote the rehabilitation of the Navajo and Hopi Tribes of Indians and the better utilization of the resources of the Navajo and Hopi Reservation. Page 13184

Contested Election: Received notice of election contest of George D. Stevens against William W. Blackney of the Sixth Congressional District of Michigan, which was referred to the Committee on House Administration and ordered printed (H. Doc. 336). Page 13177

Minimum Wage: Disagreed to Senate amendment to H. R. 5856, to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938, including an increase of the minimum wage from 40 to 75 cents; agreed to a conference requested by the Senate; and appointed Representatives Lesinski, Barden, Kelly, Powell, McConnell, Gwinn, and Brehm as conferees on the part of the House. Page 13177

Revenue: Disagreed to Senate amendments to H. R. 5268, to amend the Internal Revenue Code to remove certain inequalities or hardships in present Federal tax laws; agreed to a conference requested by the Senate; and appointed, as conferees, Representatives Doughton, Cooper, Mills, Camp, Lynch, Woodruff, Simpson of Pennsylvania, Mason, and Holmes. Page 13182

Cleared for the President: Agreed to Senate amendments to the following bills, thereby clearing them for Presidential action:

Private bills: H. R. 3616 and 3886, both private bills.

Indian land sale: H. R. 1976, to authorize the sale of certain allotted inherited land on the Flathead Indian Reservation, Mont.

Indian land jurisdiction: H. R. 5310, to confer jurisdiction on the State of California over the lands and residents of the Agua Caliente Indian Reservation in said State.

Indian hospital: H. R. 5670, authorizing transfer of land to the county of Bernalillo, N. Mex., for a hospital site. Pages 13182–13183

Committee Meetings

VESSELS—ASSISTANT COUNSEL

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Ordered the following bills reported to the House:

H. R. 3419, to amend the Merchant Ship Sales Act of 1946, to allow Liberty-type war-built tankers to be traded in on Liberty dry-cargo war-built vessels with credit for down payment and installment payments already made, with amendments; and

H. R. 3605, providing for documentation of Canadian-built vessel *North Wind* owned by U. S. Citizen.

Also approved a committee resolution providing for appointment of Lynn E. Mote as its assistant counsel.

Friday, September 23, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate reached agreement to vote Monday on military pay bill, and passed bills on public-works planning and medical educational aid.

By vote of 11 to 1, Senate committee voted to report without recommendation the antidiscrimination bill.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 13185–13192

Bills Introduced: Five bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 2592 to S. 2596; and S. J. Res. 131. Page 13186

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. R. 5598, omnibus benefits bill for service-connected disabled veterans (S. Rept. 1103);

H. R. 1161, providing for the conversion, merger, or consolidation of national banks with State banks (S. Rept. 1104);

S. 250, to authorize the FSA to assist States in the development of community recreation programs (S. Rept. 1105); and

S. 2560, to amend the Federal Credit Union Act by increasing period of loans to members, the unsecured loan limit, and providing a 10-percent ceiling of shareholdings on required regular reserves, with amendment (S. Rept. 1106). Pages 13185–13186

Retirement: Conference report on H. R. 2944, to amend Civil Service Retirement Act of 1930 to provide survivorship benefits for widows or widowers of persons retiring under the act, was adopted. Page 13191

Armed Services Pay Bill: H. R. 5007, to provide increased pay, allowances, and physical-disability retirement for members of the uniformed services, was debated and all committee amendments were adopted. Further action on the bill, however, was deferred until Monday, when vote on all amendments and passage will be had at 5 p. m., the time from 3 p. m. until then to be equally divided between Senators Chapman and Saltonstall. Pages 13192–13203

Public Works: By voice vote, Senate passed, with committee amendments, S. 2116, to authorize an appropriation of $100,000,000 for advance planning of public works. Pages 13205–13212, 13214–13219

Medical Professions: By voice vote, Senate passed S. 1453, to provide grants and scholarships for education in medical professions, as amended by committee substitute amendment, after rejecting by voice vote Magnuson amendment making chiropractic schools eligible for assistance under the bill. Pages 13219–13229

Rehabilitation Corporations: Passage on May 23 of S. 930, to provide for liquidation of trusts under transfer agreements with State rural rehabilitation corporations, was reconsidered, and several technical perfecting amendments by Senator Johnson of Colorado were adopted, following which Senate repassed the bill. Page 13203

Foreign Military Aid: Passage yesterday of H. R. 5895, to provide military assistance to foreign nations, was reconsidered, and the Magnuson amendment, providing that 50 percent of tonnages supplied shall be shipped in American vessels, was reconsidered and adopted as a substitute for section 409 of the committee amendment rather than as an addition thereto. The bill was then repassed; the action on requesting a conference and appointing conferees of yesterday was left unchanged. Pages 13203–13204

Confirmations: Nominations of two collectors of customs and one postmaster were confirmed. Page 13234

Nominations: Six civilian nominations were received. Page 13234

Committee Meetings

FATS AND OILS

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Subcommittee on Utilization of Farm Crops held further hearings on the "spread between the farmer and the consumer on foods and fibers," with C. H. Haskell, president, Beatrice Foods Co., Chicago, and Representative Murray of Wisconsin discussing the spread between the dairyman and consumer on dairy products. Subcommittee meets again October 6.

DISPLACED PERSONS

Committee on the Judiciary: Continuing hearings on proposed displaced-persons legislation, Subcommittee on Immigration received testimony from Willard Jones, head of a missionary school near Bethlehem, on behalf of Arab refugees, and Leo Michaloski, a D. C. attorney, speaking for himself and the Polish-American Congress in behalf of the Anders Poles. Subcommittee adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

ANTIMONOPOLY

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee continued its hearings on H. R. 2734, to amend the Clayton Antitrust Act so as to make illegal the purchase of assets in restraint of trade or tending to lessen competition or to create monopoly, receiving further testimony in support of the bill from Representative Patman and John Stedman, Antitrust Division, Department of Justice. Alfred Krebs, National Association of Shipping, Inc., also testified proposing amendments to section 7 of the bill to exempt from this section shipping coming under the jurisdiction of the Maritime Commission by including the Maritime Commission among the other Government agencies already included in that section. Hearings continue September 26.

ANTIDISCRIMINATION—NOMINATIONS

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: By a vote of 11 to 1, in executive session, committee voted to report without amendment and without recommendation S. 1728, to prohibit discrimination in employment because of race, color, religion, or national origin.

Before taking the above action, the committee, by a vote of 5 to 5, defeated a motion by Senator Donnell to hold hearings on the bill; by a vote of 3 to 7, it rejected the Taft substitute for the bill; and, by 6 to 6, it rejected a motion to report favorably S. 1728.

Routine nominations in the Public Health Service were ordered reported favorably.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. Its next meeting will be on Monday, September 26, at 12 o'clock noon.

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

Joint Committee Meetings

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES AND REVENUE POLICIES

Joint Committee on the Economic Report: Subcommittee on Monetary, Credit, and Fiscal Policies held its first meeting in connection with its study of monetary, credit, and fiscal policies with H. Christian Sonne, National Planning Association; Simeon E. Leland, Dean, Northwestern University; and Arthur Smithies, Harvard University, testifying on Federal expenditures and revenue policies.

ATOMIC ENERGY

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Committee met in executive session to consider the possibility that Russia now has the atom bomb. Following the meeting, a statement was issued to the press.

Monday, September 26, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed military pay and supplemental appropriation bills.
Foreign military aid bill sent to conference by House.
Conferees reached agreements on foreign military assistance bill.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 13234–13270

Bills Introduced: Nine bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2597 to S. 2605; S. J. Res. 132 and S. Res. 174. Page 13237

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows: H. R. 5332, to amend section 3 of the act of June 18, 1934, relating to the establishment of foreign-trade zones, with amendments (S. Rept. 1107). Page 13237

President's Message: President's message urging passage of executives' pay raise bill was received. Page 13235

Fish Restoration: At the request of Senator Johnson of Colorado, Senate agreed to reconsider passage of H. R. 1746, to provide U. S. aid to States in fish restoration and management projects, and the adoption of an amendment by Senator Hendrickson thereto. After readopting the Hendrickson amendment with a technical perfecting amendment, the Senate repassed the bill as amended. Page 13239

Supplemental Appropriations: By voice vote, Senate passed H. R. 6008, supplemental appropriations for 1950, after taking the following action on amendments: all committee amendments and the following amendments from the floor were adopted by voice vote: By Senator Thomas of Oklahoma on behalf of committee providing $250,000 for rural telephones and for $25,000,000 to be borrowed from Secretary of Treasury for REA loans in connection with rural telephones; by Senator Maybank repealing rider in independent offices appropriations for 1950 preventing local housing agencies from making payments in lieu of certain taxes; by Senator Neely increasing by $50,000 funds for D. C. day-care centers; by Senator Young providing $25,000 for completion of International Peace Garden; by Senator Thomas of Oklahoma concerning refund of taxes illegally assessed against Indian wards; and by Senator Chavez increasing by $55,800 funds for Bureau of Indian Affairs for construction of roads.

A proposed amendment by Senator Hayden regarding status of fruit and packing-shed workers under NLRB was eliminated on point of order by Senator Holland that it constituted legislation in an appropriation bill.

Senate asked for a conference and appointed as conferees Senators McKellar, Hayden, Russell, Bridges, and Gurney. Pages 13240–13246, 13247–13249

Armed Services Pay Bill: By voice vote, Senate passed with amendments H. R. 5007, to provide increased pay, allowances, and physical-disability retirement for members of the uniformed services, after taking the following action today on further amendments (all committee amendments had been approved on Friday, September 23): By 50 yeas to 15 nays, adopted amendment by Senator Johnson of Colorado providing same retirement pay and privileges for retired Reserve components as received by retired members of Regular services; by voice vote, amendment by Senator Johnson of Colorado respecting disability incurred in line of duty during war or national emergency; and by voice vote Butler amendment offering alternative retirement benefits to certain members who retire as result of hospitalized disability; and rejected by voice vote Myers amendment respecting pay grades for warrant officers.

Senate asked for a conference and appointed as conferees Senators Tydings, Chapman, Johnson of Colorado, Gurney, and Saltonstall. Pages 13239–13240, 13249–13261

State Department Nomination: Senate debated nomination of W. Walton Butterworth to be Assistant Secretary of State. Pages 13263–13270

Confirmations: Senate confirmed nine nominations to the United Nations, along with six Public Health Service nominations. Page 13271

Nominations: The nomination of Lowell B. Mason to reappointment as a Federal Trade Commissioner, along with two appointments in the Coast Guard and one in the Navy were received. Page 13271

Committee Meetings

TIDELANDS HEARINGS—PALISADES, IDAHO—IRRIGATION—NATIONAL SHRINES

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Committee voted to report three bills with amendment, and one

without amendment as follows: With amendment S. 2195, authorizing the Palisades Dam and reservoir project, Idaho, S. 2364, to use surplus Army Department-owned military real property at Fort Logan, Colo., as a national cemetery, and H. R. 5184, to approve contracts negotiated with certain irrigation districts and to authorize their execution; and without amendment H. R. 5170, to facilitate public participation in the preservation of sites, buildings, and objects of national significance or interest and providing a national trust for historic preservation.

It was agreed that the committee would hold open hearings on the tidelands bills (S. 155, 923, 1545, and 2153) beginning October 4. On October 11, the committee will meet to receive testimony from Commissioner Michael W. Straus and Regional Director Richard L. Boke, both of Bureau of Reclamation.

LOCOMOTIVE INSPECTION—NOMINATION

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Committee held hearings on the nomination of James E. Friend to be Assistant Director of Locomotive Inspection of ICC receiving testimony in support of the nomination from Ray Laugherty, Railway Employees' Department, AFL, Chicago, and John P. Hamlin, Baltimore.

The following two witnesses appeared in opposition: John T. Corbett, Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, and David B. Robertson, Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Enginemen.

ANTIMONOPOLY

Committee on the Judiciary: Gilbert Montague, New York attorney, appeared before the subcommittee to testify in opposition to H. R. 2734, to amend the Clayton Antitrust Act so as to make illegal the purchase of assets in restraint of trade, tending to lessen competition or to create monopoly. Subcommittee adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

RIVERS AND HARBORS AND FLOOD CONTROL

Committee on Public Works: In executive session, committee continued its consideration of H. R. 5472, general flood-control and rivers and harbors bill, taking action on all items pending before the committee to be offered as amendments to the bill except the following four which the committee will consider at its next meeting on Thursday: (1) Columbia Basin; (2) Big Sandy River; (3) Ouachita River project, Arkansas; and (4) contents of S. 1576, providing for a study commission for the Arkansas-White and Red River Basins.

Committee meets again Thursday.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Twelve public bills, H. R. 6209–6220; nine private bills, H. R. 6221–6229; and four resolutions, H. J. Res. 354 and 355 and H. Res. 364 and 365, were introduced. Pages 13282–13283

Bills Reported: One report was made as follows: Conference report on H. R. 2944, to amend the Civil Service Retirement Act of 1930 to provide survivorship benefits for widows or widowers of persons retiring under such act (H. Rept. 1339). Page 13282

Private Bill: Agreed to Senate amendment to H. R. 5356, a private bill, thereby clearing it for Presidential action. Page 13275

Fish Restoration: Complied with request of Senate for return of H. R. 1746, to provide U. S. aid to States in fish restoration and management projects. Page 13275

Veterans' Hospital: Passed H. R. 6034, to authorize $5 million for a hospital for Negro veterans at the birthplace of Booker T. Washington, in Franklin County, Va. Page 13275

Military Assistance Program: Disagreed to Senate amendments to H. R. 5895, to provide military assistance to foreign nations; agreed to a conference requested by the Senate; and appointed as conferees Representatives Kee, Gordon, Ribicoff, Eaton, and Vorys. Page 13276

Bill Referred: S. 1453, to provide grants and scholarships for education in medical professions, passed by the Senate on September 23, was referred to the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce. Page 13282

Committee Meetings

FOREIGN AFFAIRS

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Held executive discussions with Secretary of the Treasury, John W. Snyder.

Announced that public hearings relating to international technical cooperation programs will be held tomorrow in 1310 New House Office Building at 10 a. m.

Joint Committee Meetings

FOREIGN MILITARY ASSISTANCE

Conferees on H. R. 5895, Foreign Military Assistance Act of 1949, met in executive session to work out the differences between the House- and Senate-passed versions of the bill.

The conferees agreed on all items in the bill through section 402, adopting primarily the Senate-passed version of the bill, including all of the Senate-approved amounts for foreign military assistance. Conferees meet again tomorrow in hopes of concluding their work.

Tuesday, September 27, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed 139 bills and confirmed Assistant Secretary of State nomination.

House passed postal employees' pay-raise bill.

House committee opens hearings on economic assistance program for world underdeveloped areas.

Conferees agreed to file report on foreign military assistance bill.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 13294–13357

Bills Introduced: One bill was introduced, as follows: S. 2606. Page 13294

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 2290, to authorize an appropriation for the making of necessary improvements in the cemetery plots at the Blue Grass Ordnance Depot, Richmond, Ky. (S. Rept. 1108); and

H. R. 2369, to authorize an appropriation to complete the International Peace Garden, N. Dak. (S. Rept. 1109). Page 13294

Bill Referred: One House-passed bill was referred to appropriate committee. Page 13295

Butterworth Nomination: The nomination of W. Walton Butterworth, of Louisiana, to be Assistant Secretary of State, was confirmed by 49 yeas to 27 nays. Pages 13283–13294, 13357

Calendar Bills Passed: On call of the calendar, one hundred and thirty-eight unobjected-to bills, of which ninety-one were private, were passed as follows:

Without amendment and cleared for President:

Penitentiary land: H. R. 4585, additional farm land for Leavenworth Penitentiary;

D. C. school officials: H. R. 2437, revising salaries of teachers, school officers, and other employees of the Board of Education of the D. C.;

Mineral lands: H. R. 2678, to permit the leasing of school lands within Wyoming for mineral purposes for terms in excess of 10 years;

Government witnesses: H. R. 4875, relative to travel expense allowances for Government employee witnesses;

Military pay advances: H. R. 4050, to authorize advances in pay to personnel of the armed services upon permanent change of station;

Lands in Idaho: H. R. 4943, extending the time during which leases of public lands may be made to the State of Idaho for educational purposes;

Cherokee Indians: H. R. 2876, to effect an exchange of certain lands in North Carolina between U. S. and Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians;

Civil Service Annuities: H. R. 5465, to amend Civil Service Retirement Act of 1930 relative to computing annuities of employees paid on a fee basis. (Prior to passage, by 8 yeas to 58 nays, Senate rejected Hill amendment limiting life annuity of certain referees in bankruptcy to $10,000 per annum, such proviso to be retroactive to April 1, 1948.)

Annual and sick leave: H. R. 2619, to extend the benefits of the annual- and sick-leave laws to part-time employees on regular tours of duty, also to validate payments heretofore made for leave on account of services of such employees;

Minnesota land: H. R. 2015, to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to effect exchange of certain lands in State of Minnesota;

Missouri Basin: H. R. 2538, to authorize completion of the land development and settlement of Angostura unit of the Missouri Basin project, notwithstanding a limitation of time;

Harney National Forest: H. R. 3926, to rename a game sanctuary in Harney National Forest as the "Norbeck Wildlife Preserve";

Washington lands: H. R. 3420, to authorize exchange and conveyance of wildlife refuge lands in the State of Washington;

Army-Air Force officers: H. R. 4767, to clarify the active-duty status of certain officers of the Army and Air Force;

Navy and Marine officers: H. R. 540, to provide terminal-leave pay for certain officers of the Navy and Marine Corps;

Los Angeles land: H. R. 524, to convey to the county of Los Angeles, Calif., a certain portion of a tract of land;

Boy Scouts: H. R. 5342, to authorize the Secretary of Defense to loan certain military equipment to Boy Scouts of America for use at their Second National Jamboree;

Schools in California: H. R. 554, to provide for the construction, extension, and improvement of school buildings in Hoopa, Calif.;

Flathead Indians: H. R. 4986, relating to cancellation of certain unpaid interest charges concerning Flathead Indian irrigation project, Montana;

VA employees: H. R. 6022, increasing the rates of compensation of certain employees of the Department of Medicine and Surgery of the VA;

Disabled veterans: H. R. 5598, omnibus benefits bill for service-connected disabled veterans;

Falcon Dam: H. R. 5773, to authorize the joint development of hydroelectric power at Falcon Dam on the Rio Grande by the U. S. and Mexico; and

Private bills: Forty-two private bills: H. R. 1672, 4829, 584, 588, 695, 1019, 1020, 1033, 1097, 1447, 1484, 1666, 1794, 1800, 2075, 2457, 2921, 2928, 3252, 3405, 3413, 3499, 3534, 3810, 3863, 4165, 4186, 4556, 4563, 4564, 4777, 4792, 4889, 5353, 5375, 5539, 5582, 5777, 5851, 3864, 6006, and 5299.

With amendment, to be sent back to House:

San Francisco land: H. R. 5328, authorizing Secretary of the Army to convey certain lands to city and county of San Francisco;

American River Basin: H. R. 165, reauthorize the American River Basin development as an integrated feature of the Central Valley project, California;

Los Angeles: H. R. 5764, to grant to city of Los Angeles, Calif., certain rights-of-way;

Everglades Park: H. R. 4029, relative to the enlargement of the Everglades National Park, Fla.;

Michigan lands: H. R. 5601, to authorize the exchange of certain lands in the State of Michigan;

Homestead entrymen: H. R. 2514, to enable the Secretary of Agriculture to extend financial assistance to homestead entrymen;

Columbia Institution: H. R. 86, to amend the Civil Service Retirement Act so as to make such act applicable to the officers and employees of the Columbia Institution for the Deaf;

Eglin Field: H. R. 2418, to authorize restocking, propagation, and conservation of game in the Eglin Field Reservation;

Foreign-trade zones: H. R. 5332, to amend section 3 of the act of June 18, 1934, relating to the establishment of foreign-trade zones; and

Private bills: Fifteen private bills: H. R. 1950, 605, 683, 733, 752, 1106, 1458, 1474, 1637, 1864, 3081, 3598, 4094, 4414, and 5148.

Without amendment and cleared for House:

Federal Airport Act: S. 2360, to amend the Federal Airport Act to authorize appropriation for projects in the Virgin Islands;

Annual leave: S. 2350, to amend act relative to payment of annual leave to certain officers and employees;

Army retirement: S. 2559, to extend officers' retirement benefits to certain Army enlisted men;

VA employees: S. 2541, extending the period for which certain VA employees may be detailed for training and research;

National health institutes: S. 2591, to create additional national health institutes and make uniform the compensation of the advisory councils of such institutes;

Silver coins: S. 2590, to amend section 3526 of Revised Statutes, relating to coinage of subsidiary silver coins;

Chronic diseases: S. 2584, to authorize $200,000 for Public Health Service to study methods of making survey or obtaining reports on the incidence of chronic diseases or handicapping conditions among the population and report back results to Congress within 18 months; and

Private bills: Eighteen private bills: S. 196, 621, 1097, 44, 46, 47, 736, 753, 866, 1088, 1305, 1376, 1532, 1702, 2084, 2429, S. Con. Res. 65, and S. 1915.

With amendment and cleared for House:

D. C. parks: S. 1931, development of parks and playgrounds for the D. C.;

Appropriations consolidation: S. Con. Res. 18, to provide for consolidation of all general appropriation bills into one "general consolidated" appropriation measure;

San Luis Valley: S. 1385, providing that excess-land provisions of Federal reclamation laws should not apply to certain lands that will receive a supplemental water supply from the San Luis Valley project, Colorado;

Coast Guard officers: S. 2477, to equalize the pay and retirement benefits of certain commissioned officers of the Coast Guard;

Dual employment: S. 2351, to consolidate laws relating to the receipt of compensation from dual employments under the U. S., repealing numerous conflicting provisions of the law;

Fort Kearney: S. 2491, to convey land and buildings at Fort Kearney Military Reservation to Rhode Island;

Florida Keys aqueduct: S. 489, to authorize refund to the Florida Keys Aqueduct Commission of the sum advanced for certain water facilities;

Quartermaster laboratory: S. 2382, to authorize construction of research laboratory for Quartermaster Corps;

Panama Canal: S. 2226, relating to the compensation of certain employees of the Panama Canal; and

Private bills: Fourteen private bills: S. 112, 321, 570, 914, 951, 1310, 1413, 1449, 1534, 1552, 1894, 2100, 2119, and S. J. Res. 105.

Simple resolutions adopted:

Bilbo election: S. Res. 168, to provide for payment of fees and expenses of legal counsel in the Senator Bilbo election contest; and

Private bills: S. Res. 165 and 166, referring two private bills to Court of Claims.

Bills indefinitely postponed: The following four bills were indefinitely postponed: S. 1536, 1730, 862, and 805.

Pages 13297–13357

Cemetery Plots: Senate passed without amendment S. 2290, to authorize an appropriation for the making of necessary improvements in the cemetery plots at the Blue Grass Ordnance Depot, Richmond, Ky.

Pages 13350–13351

Committee Meetings

NATIONAL CEMETERY—NOMINATIONS

Committee on Armed Services: In executive session, committee voted to report without amendment S. 2290, to authorize an appropriation for the making of necessary improvements in the cemetery plots at the Blue Grass Ordnance Depot, Richmond, Ky.

It also voted to report 378 routine armed-service nominations.

FPC NOMINATION

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee, in open hearings, on the nomination of Leland Olds to be a member of the Federal Power Commission, received testimony in support of the nomination from the following witnesses: James C. Bonbright, Columbia University; A. A. Berle, Jr., New York; John C. Buckema, Muskegon Chamber of Commerce; Ordway Tead, Editor, Social and Economic Books, Harper & Bros., New York; and Harry J. Strong, First Iowa Hydro-Electric Cooperative of Muscatine, Iowa. Hearings continue tomorrow.

SUPREME COURT NOMINATION

Committee on the Judiciary: In executive session, the committee voted to request that Circuit Judge Sherman Minton, nominated to be Associate Justice of the U. S. Supreme Court, appear before the committee to testify in executive session in behalf of his own nomination.

Before this action, Senator Lucas and Henry J. Richardson, Jr., attorney at Indianapolis, representing the National Bar Association, testified before the committee in open session in support of the nomination.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Thirteen public bills, H. R. 6230–6242; eight private bills, H. R. 6243–6250; and eleven resolutions, H. J. Res. 356–362 and H. Res. 366–369, were introduced.

Pages 13386–13387

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

Conference report on S. 2115, to authorize payments by the Administrator of Veterans' Affairs on the purchase of automobiles or other conveyances by certain disabled veterans (H. Rept. 1340);

H. R. 3605, a private bill (H. Rept. 1341);

H. R. 3419, to amend the Merchant Ships Sales Act of 1946 relative to the proper cost basis for depreciation purposes of war-built vessels sold by U. S. Maritime Commission prior to the enactment of this act, amended (H. Rept. 1342);

H. R. 5872, to extend the boundaries of the Toiyabe National Forest in the State of Nevada, amended (H. Rept. 1343);

H. Res. 368, providing for consideration of, and 1 hour of general debate on, H. R. 5330, to promote world peace and the general welfare, national interest, and foreign policy of U. S. by providing aid to Republic of Korea (H. Rept. 1344);

H. Res. 369, to provide for the reforestation and revegetation of the forest and range lands of the national forests (H. Rept. 1345); and

Conference report on H. R. 5895, to provide military assistance to foreign nations (H. Rept. 1346).

Pages 13360, 13362, 13385–13387

Cleared for the President: Agreed to Senate amendments to the following bills, thereby clearing them for Presidential action:

Private bills: H. R. 4306, 1620, 734, and 3618, private bills.

Pages 13358, 13360

Fish restoration: H. R. 1746, to provide U. S. aid to States in fish restoration and management projects.

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Military pay raise: H. R. 5007, to provide increased pay, allowances, and physical-disability retirement for members of the uniformed services.

Pages 13358–13360

Federal reclamation: H. R. 1694, to provide that there shall be no appropriations for rehabilitation and better-

ment of Federal reclamation projects until organizations have agreed to repay the costs thereof.

Pages 13361–13362

Supplemental Appropriation: Disagreed to Senate amendments to H. R. 6008, making appropriations to supply certain supplemental and deficiency appropriations for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1950; agreed to a conference requested by the Senate; and appointed as conferees Representatives Cannon, Kerr, Rabaut, Taber, and Wigglesworth. Pages 13358, 13362

Committee Resignation: Accepted resignation of Representative Thomas of Texas from the U. S. Territorial Expansion Memorial Commission. Page 13365

Postal Pay Raise: House passed 332 yeas to 2 nays, H. R. 4495, to provide additional benefits for certain postal-service employees with respect to annual and sick leave, longevity pay, and promotion, after adopting several committee amendments. Also adopted an amendment designed to remove a discrimination in the entrance salaries of regular and substitute employees.

The measure provides for an average salary increase of $150; an increase of 5 days of annual leave, from 15 to 20; and an annual uniform allowance of $100.

H. Res. 319, the rule for consideration of H. R. 4495, was previously adopted. Pages 13365–13385

Committee Meetings

UNDERDEVELOPED AREAS

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Opened public hearings on H. R. 5615, authorizing U. S. participation in a cooperative effort to assist economically underdeveloped areas of the world. Today's witnesses were James E. Webb, Under Secretary of State, and Willard L. Thorp, Assistant Secretary of State. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

PRINTING

Committee on House Administration: Subcommittee on Printing approved the following resolutions for reporting to the full committee: H. Con. Res. 126, authorizing additional printing of copies of social-security hearings; H. Con. Res. 131, authorizing additional printing of Bureau of Labor Statistics handbook; and H. Con. Res. 132, authorizing additional printing of House report on social-security bill.

LOBBYING—COMMITTEE EXPENSES

Committee on House Administration: Subcommittee on Accounts held hearings on the following resolutions but reported no action thereon:

H. Res. 297, authorizing expenses of the investigation and study to be conducted by the Select Committee on Lobbying Activities. Representative Buchanan spoke in favor of the resolution.

H. Res. 333, authorizing payment of expenses for studies and investigations by the Committee on Ways and Means. The following members of the Committee on Ways and Means were heard on behalf of the resolution: Representatives Camp, Byrnes of Wisconsin, Simpson of Pennsylvania, Lynch, and Young.

H. Res. 339, authorizing payment of expenses for certain studies and surveys by the Committee on Public Works. Representatives Whittington and Dondero favored this authorization.

H. Res. 364, providing that funds made available by certain House resolutions for the Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments shall also be available for expenses incurred outside the continental limits of the United States. Representative Dawson was heard in support of this resolution.

WHITE HOUSE—BRIDGES—RECLAMATION

Committee on Public Works: Held hearings on the following bills but took no action:

H. J. Res. 353, authorizing the Commission on Renovation of the Executive Mansion to preserve or dispose of material removed from the Executive Mansion during the period of renovation;

H. R. 5934, to amend the Second Supplemental National Defense Appropriation Act of 1943, relative to air conditioning of certain laboratories belonging to Government agencies;

H. R. 5674, extending the authorized maturity date of certain bridge revenue bonds issued in connection with Missouri River Bridge at Brownsville, Nebr.; and

H. R. 5133, authorizing construction and maintenance work at the Kentuck drainage district.

Speaking on the joint resolution relating to the renovation of the Executive Mansion were Jess Larson, Administrator, and Lewis Frick, counsel, both of the General Services Administration; and Gen. Glen E. Edgerton, executive director, Commission on Renovation of the Executive Mansion. W. E. Reynolds, Commissioner of Public Buildings, was also heard on H. J. Res. 353, and on H. R. 5934.

Representative Welch of Missouri and Ellsworth, authors of H. R. 5674 and H. R. 5133, respectively, spoke on behalf of their measures. Committee adjourned until Thursday morning.

FLOOD CONTROL

Committee on Public Works: Subcommittee on Flood Control approved six review resolutions for reporting to the full committee.

KOREAN AID—REFORESTATION

Committee on Rules: Granted rules providing for 1 hour's debate on H. R. 5330, authorizing financial aid to the Republic of Korea, and 1 hour's debate on S. J. Res. 53, providing for the reforestation and revegetation of the forest and range lands of the national forests.

Also considered, but took no action on, H. R. 5739, providing for the advance planning of public works, and H. R. 4846, National Science Foundation bill.

Scheduled to meet Thursday afternoon for the consideration of a rule for H. R. 6000, Social Security bill.

COMMUNISM

Committee on Un-American Activities: Held hearings in connection with Communist activities in the University of California radiation laboratory. Today's witness was Irving David Fox, Berkeley, Calif., assistant instructor of physics at the University of California in Berkeley, and also a student working toward his doctor's degree. Hearings will also be held tomorrow.

Joint Committee Meetings

INVESTMENTS

Joint Committee on the Economic Report: Eugene Holman, president, Standard Oil (New Jersey), appeared before the Subcommittee on Investment, in connection with its study of the problem of promoting investment of private capital in business and industry, to express his views on the subject. Subcommittee continues tomorrow.

VETERANS' AUTOMOBILES

Conferees met in executive session on S. 2115, to authorize payments by the VA on purchase of automobiles or other conveyances by certain disabled veterans, to work out a compromise between the House- and Senate-passed versions of the bill, but were unable to reach agreement. They voted to make a report in disagreement.

FOREIGN MILITARY ASSISTANCE

Conferees in executive session on H. R. 5895, Foreign Military Assistance Act of 1949, concluded their work, and agreed to file a conference report on all differences between the House- and Senate-passed versions of the bill, embodying primarily the Senate-approved bill.

The conferees today agreed on all items in the bill from section 403 through section 413, practically adopting the Senate-passed sections with the exception that the Senate conferees agreed to the House-approved section 413, relative to fine or imprisonment for certain action contrary to provisions of bill.

Wednesday, September 28, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

Both Houses cleared foreign military aid bill for President.
Senate acted on amendments to executive pay-raise bill.
Federal employees reclassification bill passed by House.
Senate group approved bills on mutual savings banks and Federal Savings and Loan Association.
Conferees filed report on foreign-aid appropriations.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 13388–13391

Bills Introduced: Nine bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 2607 to S. 2615; and S. Res. 175. Page 13388

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. R. 5170, to facilitate public participation in the preservation of sites, buildings, and objects of national significance or interest and providing a national trust for historic preservation (S. Rept. 1110);

H. R. 5184, to approve contracts negotiated with certain irrigation districts and to authorize their execution, with amendment (S. Rept. 1111);

S. 2364, to use surplus Army Department-owned military real property at Fort Logan, Colo., as a national cemetery, with amendment (S. Rept. 1112). Page 13388

Bill Placed on Calendar: H. R. 4495, to provide additional benefits for certain postmasters in the postal field service, was placed on the calendar. Page 13389

Foreign Military Aid: Conference report on H. R. 5895, Foreign Military Assistance Act of 1949, was adopted, clearing the bill for the President.

Pages 13411–13416

Executive Pay Raise: Senate began consideration of H. R. 1689, to increase rates of compensation of heads and assistant heads of executive departments and independent agencies, and took the following actions:

By 36 yeas to 16 nays, adopted substitute by Senator Johnson of Colorado, providing reductions generally in the various proposed pay increases. Following this, in pursuance of a unanimous-consent agreement, action was taken on amendments to the substitute, as follows: By 17 yeas to 39 nays, rejected Williams amendment delaying effective date until a fiscal year when budget is in balance; by voice vote, adopted modified Douglas amendment requiring absorption of increases in this fiscal year by unexpended balances of appropriations of the various departments; and by 28 yeas to 26 nays, adopted Sparkman amendment providing salary of $12,500 to each of two legislative assistants to President.

By voice vote, Senate rejected Maybank amendment to the substitute (on behalf of the Banking and Currency Committee) respecting salaries of members and Chairman of Board of Governors of Federal Reserve System after rejecting an amendment by Senator Sparkman to the amendment to give a similar increase to the Directors of the FDIC. Pages 13391–13411, 13416–13459

Nominations: Fifteen civilian nominations were received. Pages 13459–13460

Committee Meetings

MUTUAL SAVINGS BANKS, AND FEDERAL SAVINGS AND LOAN ASSOCIATION

Committee on Banking and Currency: In executive session, committee voted to report, with amendments, S. 2006, to amend the Home Owners Loan Act of 1933 to prescribe conditions upon which a Federal savings and loan association may retain or establish and operate a branch, and S. 1175, to amend the Home Owners Loan Act of 1933 to permit Federal savings and loan associations to convert into mutual savings banks.

UTE INDIANS

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Subcommittee, in open hearings, received testimony in support of the enactment of S. 2329, Ute Indian tribal property rights, from Ernest L. Wilkinson, attorney for Ute Indians, and Paul L. Fickinger and M. M. Critchfield, representing the Bureau of Indian Affairs, Department of Interior. The Department of Justice filed a report in opposition to the bill. Subcommittee adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

FPC NOMINATIONS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee continued hearings on the nomination of Leland Olds to be a member of the Federal Power Commission, with Representative Lyle testifying in opposition to the proposed appointment, and Mr. Olds testifying in support of his own nomination.

Also testifying in support of the nomination were Morris L. Cooke, consulting engineer, Philadelphia; Charles M. LaFollette, Americans for Democratic Action; Donald E. Montgomery, United Automobile-Aircraft-Agricultural Implement Workers (UAW-CIO); Angus McDonald, National Farmers Union; Carlton I. Nau, American Public Power Association, Washington, D. C.; George S. Reed, the Power Authority of the State of New York; Thomas C. Buchanan, member of FPC; and Claude L. Draper, member of FPC. Hearings continue tomorrow.

ANTIMONOPOLY

Committee on the Judiciary: Continuing hearings on H. R. 2734, to amend the Clayton Antitrust Act so as to make illegal the purchase of assets in restraint of trade, tending to lessen competition or to create monopoly, the subcommittee received testimony in opposition to the enactment of H. R. 2734 from Harold O. McLain, the Railroad Ice Co., Chicago; Dr. Wilfred I. King, Committee for Constitutional Government, Inc., New York; and Benjamin C. Marsh, the People's Lobby, Washington. Subcommittee adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

DISPLACED PERSONS COMMISSIONER

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Immigration met in executive session to consider the nomination of Edward M. O'Connor, of New York, to be Displaced Persons Commissioner, but made no announcement of action taken.

IMMIGRATION—SUBVERSIVE ALIENS

Committee on the Judiciary: Continuing its hearings on S. 1832, to amend the Immigration Act of 1918 to provide for exclusion and deportation of subversive aliens, subcommittee received testimony in support of the bill from Stephen E. Dologh, executive secretary, American-Hungarian Federation; George E. K. Borshy, Hungarian Reform Minister; and Father Benedict Biro, priest of Bridgeport, Conn. Jeza Tokaro, Hungarian Minister of New York, was interrogated about his affiliations with Communist-front organizations. Hearings continue tomorrow.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Nine public bills, H. R. 6251–6259; twelve private bills, H. R. 6260–6271; and three resolutions, H. J. Res. 363–365, were introduced. Pages 13502–13503

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. Con. Res. 126, authorizing additional printing of copies of social-security hearings (H. Rept. 1347);

H. Con. Res. 132, authorizing additional printing of House report on social-security bill (H. Rept. 1348);

H. Res. 354, authorizing the printing of the prayers of the Acting Chaplain of the House (H. Rept. 1349);

H. Res. 370, relative to salary of an employee of the House of Representatives (H. Rept. 1350);

H. Res. 339, authorizing appropriation of $15,000 for payment of expenses for certain studies and surveys by the Committee on Public Works (H. Rept. 1351);

H. Res. 364, providing that funds made available by certain House resolutions for the Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments shall also be available for expenses incurred outside the continental limits of the United States (H. Rept. 1352);

H. Res. 333, authorizing appropriation of $25,000 for payment of expenses for studies and investigations by the Committee on Ways and Means (H. Rept. 1353); and

Conference report on H. R. 4830, the foreign-aid appropriation bill for 1950 (H. Rept. 1354). Pages 13461, 13502

New Member Sworn: Representative-elect John P. Saylor, of the Twenty-sixth Congressional District of Pennsylvania, presented himself at the bar of the House and took the oath of office. Page 13461

Foreign Military Aid: After defeating a move to recommit the conference report on H. R. 5895, to provide military assistance to foreign nations, the House adopted the conference report by 224 yeas to 109 nays. Pages 13463–13477

Federal Employees Reclassification: Passed, by voice vote, H. R. 5931, to establish a standard schedule of rates of basic compensation for certain employees of the Federal Government, to provide an equitable system for fixing and adjusting the rates of basic compensation of individual employees, and to repeal the Classification Act of 1923, as amended. This measure simplifies and modernizes the Classification Act of 1923, as amended. The average annual increase in compensation for employees covered by the act will be $113.60. The bill also reduces the number of grades from 31 to 18 and raises the ceiling on certain salaries from $10,000 to $15,000. Adopted all committee amendments and rejected an amendment to limit the ceiling raise to $12,000 instead of $15,000.

H. Res. 346, the rule for consideration of H. R. 5931, was previously adopted. Pages 13477–13498

Cleared for the President: Agreed to Senate amendments to the following bills, thereby clearing them for Presidential action:

Eglin Field: H. R. 2418, to authorize restocking, propagation, and conservation of game in the Eglin Field Reservation.

Private bill: H. R. 683, a private bill. Pages 13498, 13499

Civil Service: Disagreed to Senate amendments to H. R. 3826, to amend the act of January 16, 1883, an Act To Regulate and Improve the Civil Service of the United States, relative to State quotas; requested a conference with the Senate; and appointed as conferees Representatives Murray of Tennessee, Miller of California, and Rees. Page 13499

Administrative Resolutions: The House today considered and adopted the following resolutions from the Committee on House Administration:

H. Con. Res. 126, authorizing additional printing of copies of social-security hearings.

H. Con. Res. 132, authorizing additional printing of House report on social-security bill.

H. Res. 354, authorizing the printing of the prayers of the Acting Chaplain of the House.

H. Res. 370, relative to salary of an employee of the House of Representatives.

H. Res. 339, authorizing appropriation of $15,000 for payment of expenses for certain studies and surveys by the Committee on Public Works.

H. Res. 364, providing that funds made available by certain House resolutions for the Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments shall also be available for expenses incurred outside the continental limits of the United States.

H. Res. 333, authorizing appropriation of $25,000 for payment of expenses for studies and investigations by the Committee on Ways and Means. Pages 13500–13501

Bills Referred: Forty-nine Senate-passed measures were referred to appropriate committees. Pages 13461, 13501–13502

Committee Meetings

UNDERDEVELOPED AREAS—FAO HEADQUARTERS

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Charles F. Brannan, Secretary of Agriculture, testified at today's hearings

on H. R. 5615, authorizing U. S. participation in a cooperative effort to assist economically underdeveloped areas of the world. Hearings will be continued on Friday.

Also met for executive consideration of H. J. Res. 356, authorizing the President to lend to the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations funds, not to exceed $7,000,000, for the construction and furnishing of a permanent headquarters. No action was taken on this joint resolution.

PRINTING—COMMITTEE EXPENSES

Committee on House Administration: Ordered the following resolutions reported to the House:

H. Con. Res. 126, authorizing additional printing of copies of social-security hearings;

H. Con. Res. 132, authorizing additional printing of House report on social-security bill;

H. Res. 354, authorizing the printing of the prayers of the Acting Chaplain of the House;

H. Res. 333, as amended, authorizing appropriation of $25,000 for payment of expenses for studies and investigations by the Committee on Ways and Means;

H. Res. 339, authorizing appropriation of $15,000 for payment of expenses for certain studies and surveys by the Committee on Public Works; and

H. Res. 364, providing that funds made available by certain House resolutions for the Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments shall also be available for expenses incurred outside the continental limits of the United States.

LONG-RANGE SHIPPING PROGRAM

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: The Subcommittee on Maritime Affairs ordered reported to the full committee H. R. 5346, with amendments, for the further promotion of the development and maintenance of the American merchant marine. Adjourned subject to the call of the Chair.

Joint Committee Meetings

INVESTMENTS

Joint Committee on the Economic Report: Dr. A. D. H. Kaplan, of Brookings Institution, and Frederick V. Geier, president, Cincinnati Milling Machine Co., appeared before the Subcommittee on Investment, in connection with its study of the problem of promoting investment of private capital in business and industry, to express their views on the subject. Hearings continue tomorrow.

ATOMIC ENERGY

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Committee met in executive session with members of the AEC to review the Commission's program in the light of recent developments, with particular reference to Russia and the atom bomb. Committee meets again tomorrow.

FOREIGN AID APPROPRIATIONS

In executive session, the *conferees* on H. R. 4830, foreign-aid appropriations for 1950, concluded their work and agreed to file a conference report, which goes back to both Houses for approval.

MINIMUM WAGE

Conferees on H. R. 5856, to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938, including an increase of the minimum wage, met in executive session to work out the differences between the House- and Senate-passed versions of the bill; the entire session was spent in general discussion of the problem confronting the conferees, without taking any action. They meet again tomorrow.

ARMY CIVIL-FUNCTIONS APPROPRIATIONS

Conferees on H. R. 3734, Army civil-functions appropriations for 1950, met in executive session to work out differences between the House- and Senate-passed versions of the bill, but failed to reach final agreement. They meet again tomorrow.

Thursday, September 29, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

Both Houses cleared foreign-aid appropriations bill for President.

By vote of 52 to 14, Senate passed executives' pay-raise bill.

Reforestation bill passed by House.

Senate groups voted to report bills on sugar, narcotics, bridges, and White House.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 13503–13513

Bills Introduced: Five bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2616 to S. 2620; S. J. Res. 133; and S. Res. 176. Page 13504

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 2598, to authorize reimbursement to the appropriations of the Bureau of Narcotics of moneys expended for the purchase of narcotics (S. Rept. 1113);

S. 2002, construction of bridges across the St. Louis at Duluth, Minn., with amendments (S. Rept. 1114);

S. J. Res. 129, authorizing the preservation and disposal of material removed from the Executive Mansion during its renovation (S. Rept. 1115); and

S. 2195, authorizing the Palisades Dam and Reservoir project, Idaho, with amendments (S. Rept. 1116). Page 13504

Bill Placed on Calendar: H. R. 5931, to establish a standard schedule of rates of basic compensation for certain employees of the Federal Government, to provide an equitable system for fixing and adjusting the rates of basic compensation of individual employees, and to repeal the Classification Act of 1923, was placed on calendar. Page 13504

Printing Resolutions: The following resolutions were adopted: H. Con. Res. 126, authorizing additional printing of copies of social-security hearings; and H. Con. Res. 132, authorizing additional printing of House report on social security. Page 13505

Civil Service: Senate insisted on its amendment and asked for a conference on H. R. 3826, to amend the act of January 16, 1883, an Act To Regulate and Improve the Civil Service of the U. S., relative to State quotas. Senators Johnston of South Carolina, Humphrey, and Ecton were named as conferees. Page 13505

Executives' Pay Raise: By vote of 52 yeas to 14 nays, Senate passed, with amendments, H. R. 1689, to increase rates of compensation of heads and assistant heads of executive departments and independent agencies, after adopting, with amendments, the substitute by Senator Johnson of Colorado in lieu of the bill reported by the Senate committee. (S. 498, a companion bill, was indefinitely postponed.) Under unanimous consent, after the substitute was adopted yesterday, it was amended further. Amendments to the substitute acted on today by the Senate are as follows:

Adopted: By voice vote, McClellan amendment requiring President to transmit two budgets to the second session of the Eighty-first Congress, one of which shall be a balanced budget; by voice vote, Bridges amendment to include Associate Director of FBI among officials to receive $14,000 per annum; by voice vote, Johnson of Colorado amendment to remove from category of $15,000 per annum the three special assistants to Secretary of Defense; by voice vote, Holland amendment setting basic compensation of Secretaries of Army, Navy, and Air Force at $18,000; and, by voice vote, perfecting amendment by Senator Johnston of South Carolina increasing from five to seven the number of staff assistants to the President. (This amendment is to effectuate an amendment adopted yesterday increasing salaries of two legislative employees to the President.)

Rejected: By 28 yeas to 39 nays, Ferguson amendment requiring President to reduce by 5 to 10 percent expenditures of appropriations in the various departments; by division vote, O'Conor-Bridges amendment to include General Counsel of the Treasury Department and Assistant General Counsel for Internal Revenue among officials to receive $14,000 per annum; by division vote, Douglas amendment to fix salary of General Counsel of NLRB at $14,000; and, by voice vote, Douglas amendment to fix the salary of the General Counsel of the NLRB at $14,500.

A conference was requested on the bill and the following conferees were appointed: Senators Johnston of South Carolina, Long, Humphrey, Langer, and Flanders. Pages 13513–13523, 13524–13541

Foreign-Aid Appropriations: Senate adopted conference report on H. R. 4830, foreign-aid appropriations for 1950, and disposed of amendments in disagreement by adopting House amendments to Senate amendments (Nos. 1, 8, 10, and 16), clearing the bill for the President. Pages 13541–13542

Postal Pay—Unfinished Business: S. 1772, benefits for certain postal employees with respect to annual and sick leave, longevity pay, compensatory time, and promotion, was made the unfinished business. Pages 13541

Confirmations: Three hundred and seventy-eight nominations in the armed services were confirmed. Pages 13543–13544

Nomination: One civilian nomination was received. Page 13543

Committee Meetings

SUGAR AND NARCOTICS

Committee on Finance: In executive session, the committee voted to report the following two bills without amendment: S. 501, to repeal section 202 (e) of the Sugar Act which authorizes the Secretary of Agriculture to withhold a portion of quota for any foreign country upon finding and notification by the Secretary of State that such country denies fair treatment to U. S. nationals; and S. 2598, to authorize reimbursement to the appropriations of the Bureau of Narcotics of moneys expended for the purchase of narcotics.

FPC NOMINATION

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Continuing hearings on the nomination of Leland Olds to be a member of the Federal Power Commission, subcommittee received testimony in support of the nomination from the following witnesses: William J. Houston, AFGE; William A. Roberts, attorney of Washington, D. C.; J. T. Sanders, National Grange, Washington; Anne X. Alpern, city solicitor, Pittsburgh; and David M. Proctor, city counselor, Kansas City, Mo.

The following witnesses appeared in opposition to the nomination: Dr. R. N. Richardson, president, Hardin-Simmons University, Abilene, Tex.; Lawrence

Hagy, Amarillo, Tex.; O. C. Bailey, Arkansas Oil and Gas Commission, El Dorado, Ark.; W. H. Echols, Carthage, Tex.; Hayden W. Head, counsel, Southern Minerals Corp., Corpus Christi; Guy Warren, Corpus Christi; William N. Bonner, attorney, of Houston; James A. Upham, Ohio Oil & Gas Association, Newark, Ohio; Russell B. Brown, Independent Petroleum Association of America, Washington; Dr. George S. Benson, president, Harding College, Searcy, Ark.; Leon Halden, University of Houston; Sherman White, Pampa, Tex.; Raymond Dillard, Mexia, Tex.; and Representative Miles.

Subcommittee recessed subject to call of the Chair.

IMMIGRATION—SUBVERSIVE ALIENS

Committee on the Judiciary: Dr. Alfred Berlstein, New York City public library, and Paul Nadanyi, New York, former editor of a Hungarian newspaper, appeared before the subcommittee to testify in support of S. 1832, to amend the Immigration Act of 1918 to provide for exclusion and deportation of subversive aliens.

FEDERAL DISTRICT JUDGE

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee voted to report to the full committee the nomination of Willis W. Ritter to be district judge in Utah, after receiving statements and testimony thereon.

VETERANS

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Committee met in executive session to discuss pending bills relating to education and training of veterans, with particular reference to problems confronting certain schools and GI students, but took no definite action. A further meeting is contemplated in the near future.

RIVERS AND HARBORS AND FLOOD CONTROL

Committee on Public Works: Continuing its work in executive session on H. R. 5472, general flood-control and rivers and harbors bill, the committee voted to approve the Ouachita River project, Arkansas, to be offered as an amendment to the bill, but it did not reach a vote on reporting the bill. Committee meets again tomorrow.

It also voted to report, with amendment, S. 2002, construction of bridges across the St. Louis at Duluth, Minn., and S. J. Res. 129, authorizing the preservation and disposal of material removed from the Executive Mansion during its renovation.

COLUMBIA RIVER VALLEY

Committee on Public Works: Subcommittee met in executive session to consider the proposed Columbia River Valley project, to be offered as an amendment to H. R. 5472, general flood-control and rivers and harbors bill. Conclusions will be reported to the full committee tomorrow.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Ten public bills, H. R. 6272–6281; eight private bills, H. R. 6282–6289; and four resolutions, H. J. Res. 366 and 367, H. Con. Res. 137, and H. Res. 371, were introduced. Page 13578

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. R. 5133, to authorize the Kentuck drainage district to construct, maintain, and operate a dam and dike to prevent the flow of tidal waters into Kentuck slough (H. Rept. 1355);

H. R. 5674, extending the authorized maturity date of certain bridge revenue bonds issued in connection with Missouri River Bridge at Brownsville, Nebr. (H. Rept. 1356);

H. R. 1185, to incorporate the National Safety Council (H. Rept. 1357); and

H. R. 5002, to incorporate the Reserve Officers Association of the United States (H. Rept. 1358).

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Cleared for the President: Agreed to Senate amendments to the following bills, thereby clearing them for Presidential action:

Los Angeles: H. R. 5764, to grant to city of Los Angeles, Calif., certain rights-of-way.

Everglades Park: H. R. 4029, relative to the enlargement of the Everglades National Park, Fla.

Colorado-Big Thompson: H. R. 5134, to promote development in cooperation with the State of Colorado of the fish, wildlife, and recreational aspects of the Colorado-Big Thompson Federal reclamation project.

American River Basin: H. R. 165, to reauthorize the American River Basin development as an integrated feature of the Central Valley project, California.

Pages 13544–13545

Foreign Economic Administration: H. R. 1950, for the relief of certain consultants formerly employed by the Foreign Economic Administration.

Page 13546

Private bills: H. R. 605, 733, 752, 1106, 1458, 1474, 1864, 3081, 3598, 4094, and 5148. Pages 13573–13574

Buffalo Rapids Project: Passed and cleared for the President, S. 2042, providing for construction of irrigation facilities for water users on the Buffalo Rapids project, Montana, following which H. R. 5113, a companion bill, was tabled. Pages 13545–13546

Civil Service Retirement: Adopted, and cleared for the President, the conference report on H. R. 2944, to amend Civil Service Retirement Act of 1930 to provide survivorship benefits for widows or widowers of persons retiring under such act. Page 13546

Foreign-Aid Appropriations: Adopted conference report on H. R. 4830, foreign-aid appropriations for 1950. On the six amendments in disagreement the House voted to recede and concur to amendments Nos. 7 and 14; also voted to recede and agree with an amendment to amendments Nos. 1, 8, 10, and 16; then returned it to the Senate. Pages 13546–13554

Atomic Energy: Passed, and cleared for the White House, S. 2372, to amend Atomic Energy Act of 1946, with respect to Military Liaison Committee. H. R. 5884, a companion bill, was tabled. Page 13557

Reforestation: Passed, and cleared for the President, S. J. Res. 53, providing for reforestation and revegetation for forest and range lands in national forests. This resolution provides for a 15-year program to re-cover about 2,200,000 acres of national forest lands and 4,000,000 acres of grazing lands.

H. Res. 369, the rule for consideration of S. J. Res. 53, was previously adopted. Pages 13558–13567

Committee Meetings

POST OFFICE—CIVIL SERVICE

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Met in an executive meeting but reported no action taken on any legislation. Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

WHITE HOUSE—BRIDGES—RECLAMATION

Committee on Public Works: Ordered the following bills reported to the House:

H. J. Res. 353, authorizing the Commission on Renovation of the Executive Mansion to preserve or dispose of material removed from the Executive Mansion during the period of renovation, amended;

H. R. 5133, authorizing construction and maintenance work at the Kentuck drainage district;

H. R. 5674, extending the authorized maturity date of certain bridge revenue bonds issued in connection with Missouri River Bridge at Brownville, Nebr., title amended;

H. R. 5934, to amend the Second Supplemental National Defense Appropriation Act of 1943, relative to air conditioning of certain laboratories belonging to Government agencies; and

H. R. 5956, to provide a method of financing the construction by the city of Duluth of certain bridges across the St. Louis River, amended.

SOCIAL SECURITY

Committee on Rules: Considered, but took no action on, the granting of a closed rule providing for, and not to exceed, 4 days of general debate on H. R. 6000, the social-security bill. The request for this rule was made by Representative Doughton, chairman of the Ways and Means Committee, and supported by Representative Cooper. Speaking against the proposed rule, but in favor of the bill, were Representatives Jenkins and Kean, while Representative Simpson of Pennsylvania was heard in opposition to the closed rule and Representative Curtis spoke in opposition to the bill. Further consideration of this rule will be held tomorrow morning.

ESPIONAGE

Committee on Un-American Activities: Met in executive hearings on certain espionage activities and received the testimony of Mrs. Doris Silver Bartlett, of New York City.

Also postponed temporarily publication of its scheduled report on Soviet espionage.

Joint Committee Meetings

ATOMIC ENERGY

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Committee met again in executive session with members of the AEC to hear further discussion of the Commission's program in the light of recent developments concerning the atom bomb. Committee meets again October 3.

INVESTMENTS

Joint Committee on the Economic Report: Subcommittee on Investment concluded its preliminary hearings in connection with its study of the problem of promoting investment of private capital in business and industry after receiving testimony today from Dr. A. D. H. Kaplan, of Brookings Institution, and Ed Wimmer, vice president, National Federation of Independent Business, Inc., generally on that subject.

INTERIOR APPROPRIATIONS

Conferees on H. R. 3838, Interior appropriations for 1950, met in executive session to work out differences between the House- and Senate-passed versions of the bill, but did not reach final agreement to file a conference report. They meet again tomorrow.

MINIMUM WAGE

Conferees on H. R. 5856, to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938, including an increase of the minimum wage, continued their work in executive session, working out the differences between the two passed versions. They did not conclude, and will continue October 5.

ARMY CIVIL-FUNCTIONS APPROPRIATIONS

Conferees on H. R. 3734, Army civil-functions appropriations for 1950, continued in executive session, working out differences between the House- and Senate-passed versions of the bill, but did not finish. They will meet again tomorrow.

Friday, September 30, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed bills on postal and Government employees' pay and Federal employees' compensation.

Bill providing civil government for Guam ordered reported by House committee.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 13580–13581

Bills Introduced: Eight bills were introduced, as follows: S. 2621 to S. 2628. Page 13580

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 1175, to amend the Home Owners Loan Act of 1933 to permit Federal savings and loan associations to convert into mutual savings banks, with amendments (S. Rept. 1117);

S. 2006, to amend the Home Owners Loan Act of 1933 to prescribe conditions upon which a Federal savings and loan association may retain or establish and operate a branch, with amendments (S. Rept. 1118); and

S. 1103, to increase certain postal rates, with amendment (S. Rept. 1119). Page 13580

Bill Rereferred: Committee on Labor and Public Welfare was discharged from further consideration of S. 281, to assure full employment in U. S., and it was rereferred to the Committee on Banking and Currency. Page 13581

Private Bill: A conference was requested on H. R. 1285, a private bill, and the following conferees were appointed: Senators Graham, Magnuson, and Jenner. Page 13581

Postal Pay Increase: By voice vote, Senate passed H. R. 4495, benefits for certain postal employees with respect to annual and sick leave, longevity pay, compensatory time, and promotion, after striking all its text after enacting clause and substituting therefor the Senate committee substitute for S. 1772, which had been previously adopted as an amendment to S. 1772. (S. 1772 was indefinitely postponed.) A Douglas-Bridges amendment to this committee substitute, which would have required the Postmaster General to absorb all increased costs of bill during fiscal year 1950 within unexpended balance in appropriations, was rejected by voice vote.

Senate asked for a conference and appointed as conferees Senators Johnston of South Carolina, Long, Humphrey, Langer, and Thye. Pages 13591–13600

Government Employees' Pay Increase: By voice vote, Senate passed, with amendment, H. R. 5931, to establish a standard schedule of rates of basic compensation for certain employees of the Federal Government, to provide an equitable system for fixing and adjusting the rates of basic compensation of individual employees, and to repeal the Classification Act of 1923, after striking out all after the enacting clause and substituting therefor the language of the reported version of S. 2379, a companion bill, as amended on the Senate floor. (S. 2379 was indefinitely postponed.) Before approving S. 2379, to be substituted for contents of H. R. 5931, the Senate adopted the following amendments to the bill by voice vote: Long amendment respecting step increases for meritorious service; a perfecting amendment by Senator Long; Lucas amendment to increase the salaries of the superintendents of the House and Senate Press Galleries, together with the salaries of four assistants to each; Long amendment to simplify the computation of weekly salaries and semimonthly salaries; Long amendment to increase from $10,000 to $12,500 the salaries of certain officials of the FCA, and to exempt from the act certain positions in or under the State Department participating in international organizations; and Langer amendment to add an additional $100 increase over the proposed increases in the salaries of all Government employees in grades GS–1 through GS–4.

The Senate requested a conference and appointed as conferees Senators Johnston of South Carolina, Long, Graham, Langer, and Thye. Pages 13602–13606

Federal Employees' Compensation: H. R. 3191, to amend Federal Employees' Compensation Act by extending coverage to civilian officers of the U. S. and by making benefits more realistic in terms of present wage rates, was passed after adoption of all committee amendments and a series of three Morse amendments respecting status of merchant seamen as to compensation for injuries. All votes were by voice.

Senate asked for a conference and appointed as conferees Senators Douglas, Neely, Withers, Taft, and Donnell. Pages 13606–13609

Farm Price Support: S. 2522, to stabilize prices of agricultural commodities by providing for flexible support prices varying from 75 to 90 percent of "modern" parity, was made the Senate's unfinished business. Pages 13609–13611

Committee Meetings

DISPLACED PERSONS

Committee on the Judiciary: Gen. John Thomas Taylor, American Legion, and Don C. Williamson, assistant legislative director, VFW, appeared before the subcommittee in behalf of their respective organizations to testify in opposition to the enactment of H. R. 4567, displaced-persons bill. Subcommittee adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

ANTIMONOPOLY

Committee on the Judiciary: Continuing hearings on H. R. 2734, to amend the Clayton Antitrust Act so as to make illegal the purchase of assets in restraint of trade, tending to lessen competition or to create monopoly, subcommittee received testimony in support of the bill from Ed Wimmer, president, Forward America Publishing Guild, Inc., Cincinnati, and John D. Clark, President's Council of Economic Advisers.

Testifying in opposition to the bill was James L. Donnelly, Illinois Manufacturers' Association, Chicago. Subcommittee adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

RIVERS AND HARBORS AND FLOOD CONTROL

Committee on Public Works: Committee met in executive session to continue work on H. R. 5472, general flood-control and rivers and harbors bill, but did not reach a vote on reporting the bill. Committee meets again tomorrow.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Monday, October 3, at 12 o'clock noon.

Committee Meetings

AGRICULTURE

Committee on Agriculture: Held executive meeting for consideration of its future program. No announcement was made at this time.

UNDERDEVELOPED AREAS

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Continued hearings on H. R. 5615, authorizing U. S. participation in a cooperative effort to assist economically underdeveloped areas of the world, and heard the testimony of Oscar Ewing, Federal Security Administrator, and Nelson Rockefeller, former Coordinator of Inter-American Affairs. Adjourned until Monday morning.

RECLAMATION—INDIANS—GUAM

Committee on Public Lands: Ordered the following bills reported to the House:

S. 1385, providing that excess-land provisions of Federal reclamation laws should not apply to certain lands that will receive a supplemental water supply from the San Luis Valley project, Colorado;

H. R. 6259, to provide for the installation of a carillon in the Arlington National Cemetery in memory of World War II dead;

H. R. 6230, providing for conveyance of certain lands to school district No. 5, Linn County, Oreg.;

H. R. 4390, land for school purposes in Acadia National Park, Maine;

H. R. 2736, amended, to subject Indians and Indian reservations in Wisconsin to State laws, with certain exceptions; and

H. R. 4499, amended, to provide a civil government for Guam. This bill had been approved in an executive meeting of the Subcommittee on Territorial and Insular Possessions immediately prior to the full committee meeting.

ADVANCE PLANNING, PUBLIC WORKS

Committee on Public Works: Met in executive session for further consideration of H. R. 5739, to provide for

the advance planning of public works. This bill was reported to the House on July 26 and is tentatively scheduled to be taken up in the House on Monday under suspension of the rules.

SOCIAL SECURITY

Committee on Rules: Held further consideration of the proposed closed rule which would grant 4 days of general debate on H. R. 6000, the social-security bill. Representatives Cooper and Mills were both heard in favor of the rule and the bill. Will resume on this subject at tomorrow morning's meeting.

Joint Committee Meetings

ARMY CIVIL-FUNCTIONS APPROPRIATIONS

Conferees on H. R. 3734, Army civil-functions appropriations for 1950, continued in executive session working out differences between the House- and Senate-passed versions of the bill, but did not finish. They will meet again October 3.

INTERIOR APPROPRIATIONS

Conferees on H. R. 3838, Interior appropriations for 1950, met again in executive session to work out the differences between the two passed versions, but did not reach final agreement. They meet again October 3.

Monday, October 3, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate considered farm price-support bill, acting on various amendments.

House passed public-works planning bill and sent the Army-Air Force composition and Government officials pay-raise bills to conference.

Senate group voted to approve nomination of Minton to be Supreme Court Justice.

Social-security bill cleared for House action by Rules Committee.

Conferees agreed to file report on internal-revenue bill.

See Résumé of Congressional Activity.

Senate

Chamber Action

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Bills Introduced: Four bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 2629 to S. 2632; and S. Res. 177. Page 13612

Bills Reported: One report was made, as follows: S. Res. 177, additional funds for Judiciary Committee (S. Rept. 1120)—referred to Committee on Rules and Administration. Page 13612

Army-Air Force Composition: A conference was agreed to on H. R. 1437, Army-Air Force composition, and the following Senators were appointed as conferees: Byrd, Chapman, Johnson of Texas, Gurney, and Saltonstall. Page 13647

Indian Rehabilitation: Conference report on S. 1407, to promote rehabilitation of Navajo and Hopi Tribes of Indians, was adopted, thus clearing the bill for the President. Page 13647

Foreign-Trade Zones: Senate agreed to conference on H. R. 5332, to amend section 3 of the act of June 18, 1934, relating to the establishment of foreign-trade zones, and appointed as conferees Senators George, Connally, Byrd, Millikin, and Williams. Page 13647

Farm Price Support: Senate began consideration of S. 2522, to stabilize prices of agricultural commodities by providing for flexible support prices varying from 75 to 90 percent of "modern" parity, taking the following action on amendments:

Adopted, by voice vote, Maybank amendment allowing Commodity Credit Corporation to add certain costs and expenses in determining its selling price for farm commodities; adopted, by voice vote, Watkins amendment to include honey among products eligible for price support; and, by division vote, adopted Williams amendment requiring inclusion of broilers in any price-support program for meats. (A Lucas motion to reconsider this vote was adopted following rejection of Capehart motion to lay on table the Lucas motion to reconsider.)

A modified Williams amendment so as to include broilers in any price-support program for poultry was then adopted by voice vote. An amendment by Senator Lucas to clarify the meaning of the term "normal supply" and an amendment by Senator Anderson to continue in effect certain existing provisions of law as to acreage allotments were also adopted by voice vote.

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Nominations: Four hundred and twenty-one appointments in the Regular Army and one hundred and twenty-six in the Air Force were received.

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Committee Meetings

FEDERAL FARM LOANS

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Subcommittee voted to report to the full committee with amendment H. R. 3699, to amend the Federal Farm Loan Act to authorize full participation by Puerto Rico and Alaska. The amendment would change from $50,000 to $75,000 the limitation on loans to any one borrower. Full committee meets tomorrow.

INDIAN HOSPITAL, HAWAII, AND VIRGIN ISLANDS

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: In executive session, the committee voted to report the following bills: With amendments, S. 2404, authorizing construction and improvement of Indian hospital at Albuquerque, N. Mex.; and, without amendment, H. R. 4686, 4966, 4967, 4968, 5459, and 5490, all concerning Hawaiian public improvement bonds; H. R. 5489, relative to session laws of Hawaii; and H. R. 4586, relative to Virgin Islands bonds.

FPC NOMINATION

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Leland Olds appeared before the subcommittee to testify in behalf of his own nomination to be a member of the Federal Power Commission. Subcommittee adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

SUPREME COURT JUSTICE AND FEDERAL DISTRICT JUDGE

Committee on the Judiciary: By vote of 9 to 2, the committee voted to report favorably the nomination of Sherman Minton to be Associate Justice of the U. S. Supreme Court.

It also voted to introduce and report an original resolution to provide an additional $10,000 for committee expenditures.

The nomination of Willis W. Ritter to be district judge in Utah was also considered but held over. Following the meeting, it was announced that the subcommittee would hold further hearings on the nomination on October 10.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Sixteen public bills, H. R. 6290–6305; nine private bills, H. R. 6306–6314; and three resolutions, H. J. Res. 368 and H. Res. 372 and 373, were introduced. Pages 13736–13737

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. Res. 372, a rule providing for 4 days of general debate on, waiving points of order against, and closing to amendments except those to be offered at the direction of the Committee on Ways and Means, H. R. 6000, the social-security bill (H. Rept. 1359);

Conference report on H. R. 4381, to provide cumulative sick and emergency leave with pay for teachers and attendance officers of the D. C. Board of Education (H. Rept. 1360);

S. 1385, providing that excess-land provisions of the Federal reclamation laws shall not apply to certain lands that will receive a supplemental water supply from the San Luis Valley project, Colorado (H. Rept. 1361);

H. R. 2736, to subject Indians and Indian reservations in the State of Wisconsin to the laws of the State with certain exceptions (H. Rept. 1362);

H. R. 4390, to authorize the conveyance, for school purposes, of certain land in Acadia National Park to the town of Tremont, Maine (H. Rept. 1363);

H. J. Res. 368, extending the time until October 10, 1949, of temporary appropriations for various governmental functions pending enactment of regular appropriation bills (H. Rept. 1364);

H. R. 4499, to provide a civil government for Guam (H. Rept. 1365);

H. R. 5934, to amend the Second Supplemental National Defense Appropriation Act of 1943, relative to air conditioning of certain laboratories belonging to Government agencies (H. Rept. 1366);

H. R. 5956, to provide a method of financing the acquisition and construction by the city of Duluth of certain bridges across the St. Louis River (H. Rept. 1367);

H. R. 6230, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain land to school district No. 5, Linn County, Oreg. (H. Rept. 1368);

H. R. 6259, to provide for the installation of a carillon in the Arlington National Cemetery in memory of World War II dead (H. Rept. 1369); and

H. J. Res. 353, authorizing the Commission on Renovation of the Executive Mansion to preserve or dispose of material removed from the Executive Mansion during the period of renovation (H. Rept. 1370).

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Sent to Conference: The House today sent the following bill to conference:

Army and Air Force: Disagreed to Senate amendments to H. R. 1437, to authorize the composition of the Army of the United States and the Air Force of the United States; requested a conference with the Senate; and appointed Representatives Vinson, Brooks, Kilday, Short, and Arends as conferees on the part of the House. Page 13653

Government officials' pay raise: Disagreed to Senate amendments to H. R. 1689, to increase rates of compensation of the heads and assistant heads of executive departments and independent agencies; agreed to a con-

ference requested by the Senate; and appointed Representatives Murray of Tennessee, Morrison, Miller of California, Rees, and St. George as conferees on the part of the House. Page 13658

Federal employees' reclassification: Disagreed to Senate amendments to H. R. 5931, to establish a standard schedule of rates of basic compensation for certain employees of the Federal Government, to provide an equitable system for fixing and adjusting the rates of basic compensation of individual employees, and to repeal the Classification Act of 1923, as amended; agreed to a conference requested by the Senate; and appointed Representatives Murray of Tennessee, Morrison, Miller of California, Rees, and Sadlak as conferees. Page 13658

Postal pay raise: Disagreed to Senate amendments to H. R. 4495, to provide additional benefits for certain postal-service employees with respect to annual and sick leave, longevity pay, and promotion; agreed to a conference requested by the Senate; and appointed as conferees on the part of the House Representatives Murray of Tennessee, Davis of Georgia, Williams, Rees, and Hagen. Pages 13658–13659

Foreign-trade zones: Disagreed to Senate amendments to H. R. 5332, to amend section 3 of the act of June 18, 1934, relating to the establishment of foreign-trade zones; requested a conference with the Senate; and appointed Representatives Doughton, Cooper, Boggs of Louisiana, Woodruff, and Byrnes of Wisconsin as conferees. Page 13663

Indian Rehabilitation: Adopted conference report on S. 1407, to promote the rehabilitation of the Navajo and Hopi Tribes of Indians and the better utilization of the resources of the Navajo and Hopi Indian Reservations. Pages 13659–13662

Land Conveyance: Concurred in Senate amendments to H. R. 5328, conveyance of northerly portion of Fort Funston Military Reservation to city and county of San Francisco, Calif., thereby clearing the measure for Presidential action. Pages 13662–13663

Consent Calendar: Passed the following bills on the call of the Consent Calendar:

Cleared for the President:

Insane: S. 934, relative to care and detention of persons of unsound mind in certain Federal reservations in Virginia and Maryland.

Employment: S. 2085, to amend the Employment Act of 1946 with respect to the Joint Committee on the Economic Report.

Sent to the Senate, amended:

Postal delivery: S. 1479, to abolish the village delivery service in second-class post offices and to transfer village carriers in such offices to the city delivery service.

Gettysburg Address: H. J. Res. 23, designating November 19, the anniversary of Lincoln's Gettysburg Address, as Dedication Day.

Dental health: H. J. Res. 184, to proclaim the first Monday in February as National Children's Dental Health Day.

Flathead irrigation project: H. R. 2196, to authorize the elimination of lands from the Flathead Indian irrigation project in Montana.

Merchant ships: H. R. 3419, to amend the Merchant Ships Sales Act of 1946, relative to the proper cost basis for depreciation purposes of war-built vessels sold by U. S. Maritime Commission prior to enactment of said act.

Judicial extension: H. R. 5166, extending U. S. laws relating to civil acts or offenses to certain occupied Pacific islands.

Lighthouse Service: H. R. 5305, to increase the retired pay of certain members of the former Lighthouse Service.

Land transfer: H. R. 5368, to authorize the Departments of the Army, Navy, and Air Force to participate in the transfer of certain real property or interests therein.

Toiyabe National Forest: H. R. 5872, to extend the boundaries of the Toiyabe National Forest in Nevada.

Travel Expense Act: H. R. 5951, to permit Federal employees who become incapacitated through illness while in travel status to remain on per diem allowance.

Sent to the Senate without amendment:

Architect of the Capitol: H. J. Res. 340, to clarify the status of the Architect of the Capitol under the Federal Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949.

Georgia courts: H. R. 3793, to provide for the furnishing of quarters at Brunswick, Ga., for the U. S. District Court for the Southern District of Georgia.

Georgia courts: H. R. 5191, to provide for the furnishing of quarters at Thomasville, Ga., for the U. S. District Court for the Middle District of Georgia.

Great Smoky boundaries: H. R. 5866, to adjust and define the boundary between Great Smoky Mountains National Park and the Cherokee-Pisgah-Nantahala National Forests. Pages 13664–13671

National Safety Council: Passed H. R. 1185, to incorporate the National Safety Council. Pages 13671–13672

Reserve Officers Association: Passed H. R. 5002, to incorporate the Reserve Officers Association of the United States. Pages 13672–13673

Bridge Bonds: Passed H. R. 5674, to extend from 20 to 30 years maturity date of bridge revenue bonds in connection with refunding operations on the Brownville, Nebr., bridge across the Missouri River. Page 13686

Suspensions: The House today voted to suspend the rules and pass the following bills:

Hospital construction: H. R. 5903, to amend the Hospital Survey and Construction Act, to extend its duration, and provide greater financial assistance in the construction of hospitals. This bill extends the program for an additional 4 years to June 30, 1955, doubles the annual authorization for appropriations, from $75 million to $150 million, and changes the Federal share in the cost of projects.

Later, S. 614 was taken from the Speaker's table and amended by striking out its text and inserting the provisions of H. R. 5903 as passed by the House, after which the Senate bill was passed and the passage of H. R. 5903 was vacated and the House bill tabled. Pages 13669–13686

Advance public-works planning: H. R. 5739, to provide for the advance planning of public works. This bill provides for Federal loans to States to aid in surveys and plans for State and municipal public works.

Later, S. 2116 was taken from the Speaker's table and amended by striking out its provisions and inserting the text of H. R. 5739 as passed by the House, after which the Senate bill was passed and the passage of H. R. 5739 was vacated and the House bill tabled. Pages 13686–13695

Temporary appropriations: Adopted H. J. Res. 368, extending the time until October 10, 1949, for use of temporary appropriations for various governmental functions pending enactment of regular appropriation bills. Pages 13695–13696

Army Civil Functions: Rejected, 102 yeas to 154 nays, a motion to instruct the House conferees on H. R. 3734, the Army civil-functions appropriation bill, to insist on disagreement to an allocation of any funds for flood control for Gavins Point Dam on the Missouri River. Pages 13696–13705

Committee Meetings

WIND-TUNNEL CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee No. 3 agreed to report favorably to the full committee S. 1267, relating to a unitary plan for construction of transsonic and supersonic wind-tunnel facilities and the establishment of an air engineering development center.

UNDERDEVELOPED AREAS—PHILIPPINES

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Austin T. Foster, chairman, treaty committee, of the National Foreign Trade Council, testified at today's hearings on H. R. 5615, authorizing U. S. participation in a cooperative effort to assist economically underdeveloped areas of the world. Committee will meet on this subject again tomorrow.

Also reopened hearings on S. 1033, to amend further the Philippine Rehabilitation Act of 1946 to authorize the Philippine War Damage Commission to compensate for damages suffered to schools. Reverend Fathers Greer and Hurley, both presently stationed in the Philippine Islands, spoke on the measure. No further consideration is contemplated on this bill until next session.

SOCIAL SECURITY

Committee on Rules: Granted a rule on H. R. 6000, the social-security bill, which will allow 4 days of general debate on the measure, waive points of order against, and close to amendments except those to be offered at the direction of the Committee on Ways and Means.

In an open hearing on the legislation last Saturday Representatives Jenkins of Ohio and Mason opposed the bill and the rule, while Representative Byrnes of Wisconsin spoke in opposition to a rule at this time and against a closed rule at any time. Heard on behalf of the bill and the closed rule were Representatives Doughton, Camp, and Forand.

Joint Committee Meetings

ATOMIC ENERGY

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Committee met in executive session with members of the AEC to discuss our relations with Great Britain and Canada in the field of atomic energy.

INTERNAL REVENUE

Conferees on H. R. 5268, to amend certain provisions of the Internal Revenue Code including sections on farmers' return, foreign tax credit, charitable deductions by corporations, transfer of stocks between corporations and nominee, employee annuity contracts, and relinquishment of powers in case of reciprocal trusts, in executive session, reached a compromise between the House- and Senate-passed versions of the bill and agreed to file a conference report. A few days will be required for drafting this report.

As agreed upon by the conferees, the House receded in Senate amendments Nos. 1 through 5, 9, and 12. (No. 1 relates to employees' annuity contracts; 2 through 5 relate to relinquishment of powers in case of reciprocal trusts; 9 increases amount of free duty imports brought in by individuals; and 12 relates to deceased members of armed services estate taxes.) The Senate receded from its amendments Nos. 10 and 11. (No. 10 relates to recapitalization cases and No. 11 to distribution of stock in case of reorganization.) In the case of Senate amendments 6 and 7, relating to estate taxes, the Senate receded from its amendments with amendments. In the case of Senate amendment No. 8, relative to percentage depletion, the Senate receded with an amendment to leave all items in but reduce percentage allowance from 15 to 5 percent.

INTERIOR APPROPRIATIONS

Conferees on H. R. 3838, Interior appropriations for 1950, continued in executive session in an attempt to work out all differences between the House- and Senate-passed versions of the bill, but did not conclude their work. They continued in night session.

MILITARY APPROPRIATIONS

Conferees on H. R. 4146, National Military appropriations for 1950, met in executive session to work out differences between House- and Senate-passed versions of the bill, but did not conclude their work. They meet again tomorrow.

Résumé of Congressional Activity

FIRST SESSION OF EIGHTY-FIRST CONGRESS

The first table gives a comprehensive résumé of all legislative business transacted by the House and Senate during the session, January 3, 1949, through September 30, 1949.

The second table accounts for all nominations submitted to the Senate by the President for Senate confirmation.

DATA ON LEGISLATIVE ACTIVITY

January 3 through September 30, 1949

	Senate	House	Total
Time in session	1,038 hrs., 57′	644 hrs., 28′	..
Days in session	172	154	..
Congressional Record:			
Pages of proceedings	8,265	5,613	13,878
Appendix	.	.	6,270
Public bills enacted into law	118	192	310
Private bills enacted into law	69	209	278
Bills in conference	..	..	18
Bills through conference	..	..	44
Measures passed, total	1,085	1,254	..
Senate bills	380	184	..
House bills	510	777	..
Senate joint resolutions	21	15	..
House joint resolutions	34	43	..
Senate concurrent resolutions	33	18	..
House concurrent resolutions	16	18	..
Simple resolutions	91	199	290
Measures reported, total	*1,235	*1,282	..
Senate bills	486	151	..
House bills	541	891	..
Senate joint resolutions	28	6	..
House joint resolutions	35	51	..
Senate concurrent resolutions	35	13	..
House concurrent resolutions	17	13	..
Simple resolutions	93	157	250
Special reports	21	29	..
Conference reports	..	47	..
Reported measures not acted on	**99	**97	..
Measures introduced, total	3,002	7,164	10,166
Bills	2,628	6,289	8,917
Joint resolutions	133	367	500
Concurrent resolutions	65	137	202
Simple resolutions	176	371	547
Quorum calls	370	101	471
Yea-and-nay votes	204	106	310
Bills vetoed	..	..	21

*These figures on measures reported include all placed on calendar or acted on by Senate even if there was no accompanying report. A total of 1,119 reports has been filed in the Senate; a total of 1,358 has been filed in the House.

**This figure does not agree with the total difference between bills reported and bills passed, because resolutions and bills placed on the House Calendar without having been formally reported were not included in figures of measures reported to the House; the difference in the case of Senate figures is due to uncounted bills "laid on the table" or "indefinitely postponed."

DISPOSITION OF EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS RECEIVED FROM JANUARY 3–SEPTEMBER 30, 1949

Postmaster nominations, totaling 2,561, disposed of as follows:

Confirmed	2,390
Withdrawn	29
Rejected	None
Unconfirmed	142

Army nominations, totaling 17,046, disposed of as follows:

Confirmed	17,046
Withdrawn	None
Rejected	None
Unconfirmed	None

Air Force nominations, totaling 13,598, disposed of as follows:

Confirmed	13,598
Rejected	None
Withdrawn	None
Unconfirmed	None

Navy nominations, totaling 15,555, disposed of as follows:

Confirmed	15,555
Rejected	None
Withdrawn	None
Unconfirmed	None

Marine Corps nominations, totaling 2,132, disposed of as follows:

Confirmed	2,132
Rejected	None
Withdrawn	None
Unconfirmed	None

Civilian nominations other than postmasters, totaling 2,549, disposed of as follows:

Confirmed	2,499
Withdrawn	7
Rejected	1
Unconfirmed	42

Summary

Total nominations received	53,441
Total rejected	1
Total withdrawn	36
Total unconfirmed	184
Total confirmed	53,220

TABLE OF APPROPRIATION BILLS, EIGHTY-FIRST CONGRESS, FIRST SESSION

Bill No.	Title	Budget estimates[1]	House				Senate				Public law		
			Date reported	Amount as reported	Date passed	Amount as passed	Date reported	Amount as reported	Date passed	Amount as passed	Date approved	Amount as approved	Law No.
H. J. Res. 152	Disaster Relief	$1,000,000	Jan. 27	$500,000	Jan. 27	$500,000	Jan. 27	$500,000	Jan. 27	$500,000	Jan. 28	$500,000	3
H. J. Res. 156	Disaster Relief	500,000	Feb. 3	500,000	Feb. 3	500,000	Feb. 3	500,000	Feb. 3	500,000	Feb. 7	500,000	5
H. R. 2602	First Deficiency, 1949	564,183,145	Feb. 14	466,882,177	Feb. 16	471,895,177	Mar. 22	538,453,473	Apr. 13	542,303,473	May 24	524,649,473	71
H. R. 3002	District of Columbia, 1950	105,878,727	Mar. 1	98,923,621	Mar. 2	98,923,621	June 17	103,132,153	June 21	102,142,153	June 29	102,734,447	145
H. R. 3069	Treasury-Post Office, 1950	3,176,266,750	Mar. 1	3,072,817,903	Mar. 3	3,072,817,903	Apr. 29	3,113,068,503	May 11	3,113,068,503	June 30	3,090,528,903	150
	Treasury	1,096,594,450		1,027,608,403		1,027,608,403		1,045,184,403		1,045,184,403		1,036,318,403	
	Post Office	2,079,672,300		2,045,209,500		2,045,209,500		2,067,884,100		2,067,884,100		2,054,210,500	
H. R. 3333	Labor-Federal Security, 1950	2,234,399,285	Mar. 8	2,211,794,085	Mar. 9	2,211,794,085	Apr. 14	2,396,337,265	May 17	2,403,827,265	June 29	2,357,799,885	141
	Labor	16,500,000		16,550,000		16,550,000		16,766,200		16,766,200		16,766,200	
	FSA	1,500,805,585		1,478,426,585		1,478,426,585		1,495,901,565		1,509,391,565		1,487,364,185	
	Related agencies	716,817,500		716,817,500		716,817,500		883,669,500		883,669,500		883,669,500	
H. R. 3574	Civil Functions, Army, 1950	772,458,220	Mar. 23	586,761,000	Mar. 29	593,292,270	May 10	731,440,690	May 20	731,440,690	.....	.....	.....
H. R. 3629	Interior, 1950	624,810,456	Mar. 28	536,211,908	Mar. 30	536,461,908	July 15	560,685,911	Aug. 25	595,262,257	.....	.....	.....
H. R. 3807	Agriculture, 1950	727,906,908	Apr. 4	701,122,079	May 5	701,122,079	May 10	723,083,249	May 19	723,083,249	June 29	715,601,607	146
H. R. 4216	State, Justice, Commerce, 1950	740,363,956	Apr. 5	684,616,102	Apr. 7	684,616,102	June 1	671,782,281	June 7	671,782,281	July 20	677,972,102	179
	State	285,313,756		271,405,656		271,405,656		260,172,456		260,172,456		265,305,656	
	Justice	132,566,500		132,579,141		132,579,141		130,971,000		130,971,000		132,663,141	
	Commerce	301,246,500		259,927,605		259,927,605		259,904,105		259,904,105		259,269,105	
	Judiciary	21,234,200		20,703,700		20,703,700		20,734,720		20,734,720		20,734,200	
H. R. 4346	Second Deficiency, 1949	698,028,397	Apr. 6	671,047,172	Apr. 8	671,069,672	June 1	859,675,310	June 2	862,563,310	June 23	854,838,710	119
H. R. 4446	National Military, 1950	13,248,960,700	Apr. 9	13,272,815,800	Apr. 13	13,272,815,800	July 22	[1]13,165,803,089	Aug. 29	[1]13,165,803,089	.....	.....	.....
	Army	4,804,875,700		4,481,834,200		4,481,834,200		4,570,907,089		4,570,907,089			
	Navy	4,405,751,000		4,375,327,600		4,375,327,600		4,388,079,000		4,388,079,000			
	Air Force	4,033,887,000		4,222,954,000		4,222,954,000		4,000,887,000		4,000,887,000			
	Other	205,447,000		192,700,000		192,700,000		205,930,000		205,930,000			
H. R. 4477	Independent Offices, 1950	8,051,343,830	Apr. 11	7,104,571,603	Apr. 14	7,103,506,553	Apr. 13	7,636,006,873	Aug. 2	7,663,429,323	Aug. 25	7,617,739,361	266
H. J. Res. 222	Veterans Readjustment Benefits	595,890,000	Apr. 12	595,890,000	Apr. 13	595,890,000	Apr. 13	595,890,000	Apr. 14	595,890,000	Apr. 15	595,890,000	43
H. R. 4830	Foreign Aid, 1950	6,322,544,000	May 23	5,542,470,000	May 26	5,617,470,000	July 30	5,647,724,000	Aug. 8	5,647,724,000	.....	.....	.....
H. R. 5260	Legislative, 1950	73,594,184	June 8	62,200,705	June 9	62,200,705	June 14	62,262,110	June 15	62,262,110	June 22	62,262,110	118
H. R. 5300	Third Deficiency, 1949	214,730,794	June 23	127,032,243	June 24	127,032,243	Aug. 5	136,318,469	Aug. 25	193,078,469	.....	.....	.....
H. J. Res. 377	Bonus Counsel	3,500,000	July 27	1,500,000	July 27	1,500,000	July 28	3,500,000	July 28	3,500,000	Aug. 28	1,750,000	215
H. R. 6009	Supplemental, 1950	89,945,021	Aug. 16	75,890,521	Aug. 19	72,790,521	Sept. 20	103,591,789	Sept. 25	104,172,589	.....	.....	.....

[1] These estimates include only additional amounts which may have been submitted to the Senate after the bill was acted on by House Appropriations Committee.

[2] These figures include $613,500,611 to be rescinded as effected by sec. 702; the branches of the service and the amount to be rescinded from each is to be determined by the Secretary of Defense.

Tuesday, October 4, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

By vote of 41 yeas to 29 nays, Senate recommitted farm price-support bill, and then confirmed the nomination of Justice Minton.

House debated social-security expansion bill.

Senate groups voted to report bills on wheat, agricultural products, Alaska, and Iran.

Senate subcommittee voted to report adversely the Olds nomination to FPC.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 13738–13742

Bills Introduced: Six bills were introduced, as follows: S. 2633 to S. 2638. Page 13739

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. Res. 173, to investigate means of stimulating surplus agricultural commodity exports (S. Rept. 1121)—referred to Committee on Rules and Administration; and

S. 2034, relating to practices in the marketing of perishable agricultural commodities (S. Rept. 1122). Page 13739

Bills Referred: Sixteen House-passed bills were referred to appropriate committees. Page 13760

D. C. Teachers: Conference report on H. R. 4381, to provide sick and emergency leave for D. C. teachers and attendance officers, was adopted. Page 13760

Farm Price Support: By vote of 41 yeas to 29 nays, Senate adopted modified Anderson motion to recommit to Committe on Agriculture and Forestry, with instructions to report back within 48 hours, S. 2522, to stabilize prices of agricultural commodities by providing for flexible support prices varying from 75 to 90 percent of "modern" parity, as amended. This was done after the following action on amendments had been taken today:

Adopted: By vote of 38 yeas to 37 nays (with Vice President voting), Russell-Young amendment to make 90 percent of parity price supports mandatory on all basic crops for which marketing quotas or acreage allotments are in effect. Prior to this action, that amendment had been rejected by 37 yeas to 38 nays, which vote was later reconsidered by voice vote, a motion to table the motion to reconsider having been rejected by 37 yeas to 38 nays (with Vice President voting); and

Rejected: By 35 yeas to 37 nays, Magnuson amendment requiring certain reservations as to farm imports in future treaties or trade agreements.

Pages 13742–13760, 13761–13795

Supreme Court Justice: By 48 yeas to 16 nays, Senate confirmed nomination of Judge Sherman Minton to be Associate Justice of U. S. Supreme Court, after rejecting, by 21 yeas to 45 nays, Morse motion to recommit the nomination to the Committee on Judiciary.

Pages 13795–13806

Rural Telephones: H. R. 2960, rural telephone bill, was made Senate's unfinished business. Page 13806

Committee Meetings

WHEAT, AGRICULTURE MARKETING AND EXPORTS, AND PUERTO RICO AND ALASKA

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: In executive session, the committee voted to report with amendments S. 2383, proposing enabling legislation to carry out the international wheat agreement. The amendments would provide payment of subsidy under agreement to ECA countries by the CCC until June 30, 1950, only, and would provide separate appropriations for such subsidy.

It voted to report without amendment S. 2034, relating to practices in the marketing of perishable agricultural commodities; S. Res. 172, favoring development of special aircraft for agricultural purposes; and S. Res. 173, to authorize an investigation of means of stimulating surplus agricultural commodity exports.

It received subcommittee report and voted to approve, with the amendments proposed by the subcommittee, H. R. 3699, to amend the Federal Farm Loan Act to authorize full participation by Puerto Rico and Alaska. (See p. D669.)

A committee resolution was adopted to authorize an investigation by a subcommittee of the full committee as to the effect that the agreement between the ECA and the United Kingdom, to use ECA funds for purchase of wheat in Canada by the United Kingdom, would have on wheat prices and agriculture generally. The subcommittee will be appointed at a later date.

FAO, ALASKA, IRAN, AND NETHERLANDS AMBASSADOR

Committee on Foreign Relations: In executive session, the committee voted to report without amendment H. R. 2186, construction of railroad connecting the existing United States-Canadian railroad with the Alaskan railroad, and H. R. 5731, to discharge a fiduciary obligation to Iran. It voted to report with amendment S. J. Res. 128, to authorize the President to lend to the FAO of the UN funds for the construction and furnishing of a permanent headquarters. The amendment would strike out the word "New York" for headquarters of the FAO, leaving the funds to be spent for headquarters in Washington, D. C., or in the vicinity thereof, and to pay in U. S. legal tender.

It approved several routine Foreign Service nominations, and that of Selden Chapin to be Ambassador to the Netherlands.

TIDELANDS

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Committee opened hearings on proposed tidelands legislation (S. 155, 923, 2153, and 1545) with Secretary of Interior Krug and Solicitor General Perlman of the Department of Justice setting forth the position of the Government with respect to such legislation. Committee continues tomorrow.

FPC NOMINATION

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee, in executive session, by a vote of 7 to 0, voted to report adversely to the full committee the nomination of Leland Olds to be a member of the Federal Power Commission. The full committee meets on the nomination tomorrow.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Six public bills, H. R. 6315–6320; three private bills, H. R. 6321–6323; and five resolutions, H. J. Res. 369 and 370, and H. Res. 374–376, were introduced. Pages 13849–13850

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 509 and 1560, two private bills (H. Repts. 1371 and 1372, respectively);

H. R. 2895, to authorize the sale of select base material at the Fort Benning Military Reservation to Muscogee County, Ga., for use on county roads, amended (H. Rept. 1373);

H. R. 5265, requiring certain information to appear on matter mailed by, or on behalf of, certain organizations, amended (H. Rept. 1374);

H. R. 5876, to amend the Army-Navy Nurses Act of 1947 to provide for additional appointments, amended (H. Rept. 1375);

S. 1267, to promote the national defense by authorizing a unitary plan for construction of transsonic and supersonic wind-tunnel facilities and the establishment of an air engineering development center, amended (H. Rept. 1376); and

Conference report on H. R. 3734, Army civil-functions appropriations for 1950 (H. Rept. 1377). Page 13850

Private Calendar: On the call of the Private Calendar the following bills were passed:

Cleared for the President: S. 1834.

Sent to the Senate without amendment: H. R. 2854 and 3605.

Sent to the Senate, amended: H. R. 2087, 2919, and 5105.

Passed over without prejudice: S. 377. Pages 13807–13808

Committee Appointments: The Speaker announced the following appointments:

Representative Crawford to membership of the Filipino Rehabilitation Commission.

Representative White of California to membership of the United States Territorial Expansion Memorial Commission. Page 13808

Social Security: Adopted, 189 yeas to 135 nays, H. Res. 372, the rule providing for 4 days of general debate on, waiving of points of order against, and closing to amendments except those offered by direction of the Committee on Ways and Means, H. R. 6000, to extend and improve the Federal old-age and survivors insurance system, to amend the public-assistance and child-welfare provisions of the Social Security Act.

Subsequent to adoption of the rule the bill was debated for more than 3 hours before the House adjourned. Pages 13808–13848

Private Bill: Passed S. 377, a private bill, amended. Page 13849

Federal Food and Drug Act: Disagreed to Senate amendments to H. R. 160, to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act, relative to relabeling costs, etc., on imported goods; requested a conference with

the Senate; and appointed, as conferees on the part of the House, Representatives Sadowski, Rogers of Florida, Wilson of Oklahoma, Hinshaw, and Leonard W. Hall.

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Committee Meetings

WIND TUNNEL—ROADS—NURSES

Committee on Armed Services: Ordered the following bills reported favorably to the House:

S. 509, a private bill;

S. 1267, with amendments, relating to a unitary plan for construction of transsonic and supersonic wind-tunnel facilities and the establishment of an air engineering development center;

S. 1560, a private bill;

H. R. 2895, with amendments, to authorize sale of select base material at Fort Benning Military Reservation to Muscogee County, Ga., for use on county roads; and

H. R. 5876, providing Federal appointments for Army and Navy nurses.

UNDERDEVELOPED AREAS

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Continued hearings on H. R. 5615, to assist in the development of economically underdeveloped areas of the world. Witnesses heard today were Charles Sawyer, Secretary of Commerce, and Wynn C. Fairfield, secretary, general administration, Foreign Missions Conference. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

MARINE INSURANCE

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Subcommittee on Maritime Affairs began public hearings on H. R. 6061, to authorize the U. S. Maritime Commission to provide war-risk and certain marine and liability insurance. Testifying in support of the bill under consideration were Robert A. Breen, secretary, National Foreign Trade Council, Inc., New York City; and the following officials of the U. S. Maritime Commission: Grenville Mellen, Vice Chairman, Mr. Goertner, general counsel, and B. K. Ogden, Chief, Division of Insurance. Will continue on this subject tomorrow morning.

INDIANS

Committee on Public Lands: The Subcommittee on Indian Affairs considered H. R. 1628 (S. 477), relating to patent in fee to Winfred DeCoteau. Speaking on behalf of the bill was Hoadley Deane, secretary to Representative Lovre, while John H. Provinse, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Department of the Interior, was heard in opposition. No action was taken at this time.

Joint Committee Meetings

MILITARY APPROPRIATIONS

In executive session, *Conferees* on H. R. 4146, National Military appropriations for 1950, continued their work in an attempt to work out differences between the House- and Senate-passed versions of the bill. They met again in night session.

ARMY CIVIL-FUNCTIONS APPROPRIATIONS

Conferees on H. R. 3734, Army civil-functions appropriations for 1950, met in executive session to work out differences between House- and Senate-passed versions of the bill, reached a compromise, and agreed to file a conference report.

Wednesday, October 5, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed rural telephone and housing bills.

House passed social-security expansion bill.

Senate committee adversely reported Olds nomination to FPC, and favorably reported nomination of Mason to FTC.

Bill providing Federal guaranty of U. S. investments abroad ordered reported by House committee.

Conferees filed conference reports on two appropriation bills.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 13857–13862

Bills Introduced: Six bills and three resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2639 to S. 2644; S. J. Res. 134; and S. Res. 178 and 179. Page 13858

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 2383, proposing enabling legislation to carry out the international wheat agreement, with amendments (S. Rept. 1123);

H. R. 4966, sewer bonds for Hawaii, with amendment (S. Rept. 1125);

H. R. 4967, public-park improvement bonds in Hawaii, with amendment (S. Rept. 1126);

H. R. 5489, relative to session laws of Hawaii (S. Rept. 1127). Pages 13857–13858

Bills Referred: Five House-passed bills were referred to appropriate committees. Page 13858

Executives' Pay Raise: Senator Flanders resigned as a member of the conference committee on H. R. 1689, to increase rates of compensation of heads and assistant heads of executive departments and independent agencies, and Senator Thye was appointed to the vacancy thus created on the conference committee. Page 13859

Senate Employee: S. Res. 178, granting a gratuity to widow of a Senate employee, was adopted. Page 13858

Postal Delivery: A conference was asked by the Senate on S. 1479, to abolish the village delivery service of the Post Office Department, and to transfer village carriers to the city delivery service; Senators Johnston of South Carolina, Humphrey, and Ecton were appointed as conferees. Page 13859

Private Bill: Senate agreed to House amendment to S. 377, a private bill, clearing the bill for the President. Page 13859

Rural Telephones: By voice vote, Senate passed with amendment H. R. 2960, providing rural telephones, after adopting committee amendments, some with amendments, and also adopting amendments from the floor, all as follows:

A series of four technical, clarifying amendments by Senator Hill; Aiken amendment respecting maximum size of telephone service eligible for loans under act (by division vote); modified Holland amendment to eliminate public bodies from those eligible to receive loans (by division vote); and Hill amendment authorizing Administrator to make loans to refinance indebtedness of persons furnishing telephone service in rural areas.

Senate asked for a conference on the bill and appointed as conferees Senators Thomas of Oklahoma, Ellender, Lucas, Holland, Aiken, Young, and Thye. Pages 13862–13895

Housing: By unanimous consent, Senate called up and passed without amendment S. J. Res. 134, to amend the National Housing Act by extending title I thereof to March 1, 1950; increase by $25 million authority to make loans; increase by $750 million authority under title II of act; extend title VI (sec. 608) to March 1, 1950; increase FNMA by $1 billion and make corresponding increase in RFC borrowing authority; and extend by 1-year period for removal of temporary housing under Lanham Act. Pages 13895–13897

UN Participation Act: H. R. 4708, to amend the UN Participation Act, was made the unfinished business of the Senate. Page 13897

Nominations: Two civilian nominations were received. Page 13897

Committee Meetings

TIDELANDS

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Committee continued hearings on the tidelands bills (S. 155, 923, 1545, and 2153) with the following witnesses testifying in support of S. 1545 and S. 155, the so-called quitclaims bills, and against S. 923, the bill proposed by the administration: Hall Hammond, attorney general of Maryland; Price Daniel, attorney general of Texas; John H. Burwell, assistant attorney general of Minnesota; John L. Madden, assistant attorney general of Louisiana; Judge L. H. Perez, special assistant to the attorney general of Louisiana; Nicholas B. Olds, assistant attorney general of Michigan; Bascom Giles, commissioner, General Land Office, Texas; and O. G. Collins, chairman of the State Mineral Board, Louisiana. Hearings continue tomorrow.

FPC AND FTC NOMINATIONS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: By a vote of 10 to 2, in executive session, the committee voted to report adversely the nomination of Leland Olds to be a member of the FPC.

Unanimously the committee voted to report the nomination of Lowell Mason to be a member of the FTC, after receiving testimony from Mr. Mason in his own behalf.

Maywood Boggs, Brotherhood of Boilermakers; Eric Peterson, Brotherhood of Machinists; and James E. Friend appeared before the committee to testify in support of the nomination of James E. Friend to be Assistant Director of Locomotive Inspection of the ICC.

FEDERAL JUDGESHIPS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee held routine hearings on the nominations of the following five Federal judgeships: Harry C. Westover and James M. Carter to be district judges in California, James V. Allred and Ben C. Connally to be Federal district judges in Texas, and John C. Pickett, of Wyoming, to be judge of the U. S. Court of Appeals for the Tenth Circuit. Subcommittee meets again on these nominations on October 12.

YOUTH OFFENDERS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee heard the following three witnesses testify in support of the enactment of S. 1114, to provide a correctional system for youth offenders convicted in the courts of the U. S.: Judge Bolitha Laws, U. S. district judge for the D. C.; Jim Bennett, Director of the Bureau of Prisons; and Curtis Shear, representing the American Legion in the District. Hearings continue tomorrow.

VETERANS

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: In executive session, officials of the Veterans' Administration met with the committee to discuss problems confronting GI students and certain schools. H. V. Sterling, VA, read a statement by the Administrator in which it was stated that instruction 1 (*a*) has been canceled. (This is the instruction about which much of the controversy has arisen dealing with tuition charged to GI students.) The report further stated that the Administrator would submit a report to the committee for legislative consideration.

The Administrator informed the committee that he had promulgated instruction 1 (*b*) to replace 1 (*a*), which had been canceled; copies of this instruction were made public following the meeting.

Further consideration of bills involving education of veterans will be considered by the full committee tomorrow.

The chairman announced that the conferees on H. R. 5856, the minimum-wage bill, owing to death in the family of one of the conferees, would meet again October 11.

RIVERS AND HARBORS—COLUMBIA RIVER BASIN

Committee on Public Works: In executive session, for further consideration of H. R. 5472, general flood-control and rivers and harbors bill, the committee discussed the Columbia River Basin project as a proposed amendment to the bill, but took no action on it. Committee meets again tomorrow.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Five public bills, H. R. 6324–6328; seven private bills, H. R. 6329–6335; and one resolution, H. Res. 377, were introduced. Pages 13975–13976

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 2226, relating to the compensation of certain employees of the Panama Canal (H. Rept. 1378);

H. R. 6303, to authorize certain construction at military and naval installations (H. Rept. 1379);

Conference report on H. R. 3838, the Interior Department appropriation bill for 1950 (H. Rept. 1380); and

Conference report on H. R. 5300, the third deficiency appropriation bill for 1949 (H. Rept. 1381).

Pages 13974–13975

Social Security: After rejecting, 113 yeas to 232 nays, a motion to recommit H. R. 6000, the social-security expansion bill, for the purpose of substituting the provisions of H. R. 6297, the House passed H. R. 6000 by 333 yeas to 14 nays.

Among other things, this bill will provide an average increase of 70 percent to present beneficiaries; a new formula allowing all States to receive additional funds for old-age assistance; a new category to cover total and permanently disabled persons regardless of age; a wage credit to veterans of World War II of $160 per month for time spent in military service; and an increment of one-half of 1 percent for each year of individuals' coverage.

The bill also extends social-security coverage to about 11 million people not now covered. This 11 million people consist of nonfarm self-employed (other than doctors, lawyers, dentists, etc.), employees of State and local governments, domestic servants in a private home (not on farms), employees of nonprofit institutions other than ministers and members of religious orders, agricultural processing workers off the farm, certain Federal employees not under regular retirement, employees and self-employed in the Virgin Islands and Puerto Rico. Pages 13898–13974

Committee Meetings

MILITARY CONSTRUCTION—B-36 INQUIRY

Committee on Armed Services: Ordered H. R. 6303 reported to the House. This bill authorizes certain construction at military and naval installations.

The committee also agreed that the purpose for which the B-36 bomber inquiry was called had been served, and relieved the counsel from further study on this subject. Committee will meet again tomorrow morning.

UNDERDEVELOPED AREAS

Committee on Foreign Affairs: The following witnesses testified at today's hearings on H. R. 5615, authorizing U. S. participation in a cooperative effort to assist economically underdeveloped areas of the world: Representative Herter; Rayford Logan, National Association for the Advancement of Colored People; Hyde G. Buller, Agricultural Development, Inc.; L. G. Shreve; and Gerald Winfield. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

FEDERAL SAVINGS INSURANCE—FOREIGN INVESTMENTS—WHEAT AGREEMENT

Committee on Banking and Currency: Ordered the following bills reported to the House:

H. R. 6316, to reduce the insurance premium on Federal Savings and Loan deposits from one-eighth to one-twelfth of 1 percent; and

H. R. 5594, to vest in the Export-Import Bank the power to guarantee United States investments abroad. This measure was amended to limit guaranties to "assuring either or both (1) the conversion into the United States dollars of foreign currency derived from an investment, and (2) compensation in United States dollars for loss resulting from expropriation, confiscation, or seizure by action of public authority."

Following an executive session, at which the above bills were approved, committee began open hearings on H. R. 6305, to give effect to the international wheat agreement signed by the United States and other countries relating to the stabilization of supplies and prices in the international wheat market. Ralph S. Trigg, Chairman, Board of Directors, Commodity Credit Corporation, testified in favor of the bill. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

LONG-RANGE SHIPPING—PANAMA EMPLOYEES

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Ordered the following two bills reported to the House:

H. R. 5346, to amend the Merchant Marine Act, 1936, as amended, to further promote the development and maintenance of the American merchant marine; and

S. 2226, relating to the compensation of certain employees of the Panama Canal.

INDIAN BILLS

Committee on Public Lands: Subcommittee on Indian Affairs approved for reporting to the full committee S. 1829, to transfer to the Crow Indian Tribe of Montana the title to certain buffalo.

Also considered, but took no action on, H. R. 5936, authorizing appropriation of $1,800,000 for an Indian hospital at Albuquerque, N. Mex. Heard in favor of this hospital measure were Representatives Fernandez and Miles, both of New Mexico; Dr. Sophie Aberle, of New Mexico; Felix Cohen, attorney, Washington, D. C.; and Dr. Fred T. Foard and John Provinse, both of the Bureau of Indian Affairs, Department of the Interior. Mr. Provinse and Mr. Cohen also testified on behalf of the previously considered Senate bill, S. 1829. Adjourned subject to the call of the Chair.

ESPIONAGE

Committee on Un-American Activities: Held further consideration of its study regarding espionage and took the testimony of Edward T. Manning, of Knoxville, Tenn., relating to the association of Clarence Francis Hiskey and a Soviet agent previously identified as Arthur Adams. Committee is scheduled to meet again on October 20.

Joint Committee Meetings

ATOMIC ENERGY

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Committee met in executive session to discuss the recent investigation of the AEC and matters relating to a committee draft of a report regarding the investigation. Committee meets again tomorrow.

EXECUTIVES' PAY RAISE

Conferees on H. R. 1689, to increase rates of compensation of heads and assistant heads of executive departments and independent agencies, met at the White House with the President, at his request, to consider generally the House- and Senate-passed versions of the bill with a view to reaching a general accord as to what the conferees should recommend for enactment.

INTERIOR APPROPRIATIONS

Conferees on H. R. 3838, Interior appropriations for 1950, met in executive session to work out the differences between the House- and Senate-passed versions of the bill and agreed to file a conference report. As approved by the conferees, the bill would appropriate $584,098,797. As passed by the House it would have appropriated $536,461,908, and as passed by the Senate it would have appropriated $595,262,257; budget estimates considered total $624,810,436.

ARMY-AIR FORCE COMPOSITION

Conferees on H. R. 1437, Army-Air Force composition, met in executive session to work out differences between the House- and Senate-passed versions of the bill, but did not reach agreement. Conferees adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

THIRD DEFICIENCY APPROPRIATIONS

Conferees on H. R. 5300, third deficiency appropriations for 1949, met in executive session to work out differences between the two passed versions of the bill, and agreed to file a conference report. As approved by the conferees, the bill would appropriate $177,740,000. As passed by the House it would have appropriated $127,032,293, and as passed by the Senate it would have appropriated $193,078,469; the budget estimates considered total $214,730,794.

MILITARY APPROPRIATIONS

Conferees on H. R. 4146, National Military appropriations for 1950, met in a night session.

Thursday, October 6, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

Third deficiency and Army civil-functions appropriations, UN participation, cigarette-tax, and public-works bills were cleared for President.

House lobbying investigation committee appointed.

Senate committees approved bills on farm price support, sugar, veterans, and rivers and harbors and flood control.

Military wind-tunnel construction bill approved for House consideration by Rules Committee.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 14255–13982

Bills Introduced: Three bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2645 to S. 2647; S. Res. 180 and 181. Pages 13978, 13980

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 501, to repeal section 202 (e) of the Sugar Act which authorizes the Secretary of Agriculture to withhold a portion of quota for any foreign country upon finding and notification by the Secretary of State that such country denies fair treatment to U. S. nationals (S. Rept. 1128);

S. 2522, to stabilize prices of agricultural commodities by providing for flexible support prices varying from 75 to 90 percent of "modern" parity, with amendments (S. Rept. 1129);

H. R. 5345, Agricultural Act of 1949, with amendment (S. Rept. 1130);

H. R. 2186, construction of railroad connecting the existing U. S.-Canadian railroad with the Alaskan railroad (S. Rept. 1131);

S. 333, appointment of three additional judges for municipal court of D. C., with amendments (S. Rept. 1132);

H. R. 4749, requirements for membership on Commission on Mental Health for the D. C. (S. Rept. 1133); and

H. R. 4789, private bill (S. Rept. 1134). Page 13978

Bill Referred: One House-passed bill was referred to appropriate committee. Page 13980

Private Bill: Senate agreed to House amendment to S. 627, a private bill, clearing the bill for the President. Page 13981

UN Participation Act: H. R. 4708, to amend the UN Participation Act, was passed without amendment and cleared for the President. S. 2093, a similar Senate bill which had been debated, was indefinitely postponed. Pages 13982–13984

Army Civil Functions and Third Deficiency: The following two appropriation bills were cleared for the President's signature when the Senate adopted the conference report on each and cleared out the amendments to each, which had been reported in disagreement by the conferees: H. R. 3734, Army civil-functions appropriations for 1950, and H. R. 5300, third deficiency appropriations for 1949. Pages 14001–14003, 14013–14014

Public Works: Senate concurred in House amendments and cleared for the President S. 2116, to authorize an appropriation of $100 million for the advance planning of public works. Page 14005

Strategic Minerals: Senate passed S. 2105, to stimulate exploration for and conservation of strategic minerals, after adoption of committee amendments, amended by a series of technical, clarifying amendments. It also added to the bill the two following amendments: O'Mahoney amendment to authorize appropriations up to $80 million annually to carry out provisions of act, and a Cordon amendment providing that all contracts covering exploration projects shall contain provision for repayment to U. S. in certain cases of sums paid by U. S. pursuant thereto.

Pages 13984–14001, 14003–14008, 14011–14013

Cigarette Tax: H. R. 195, to assist States in collecting sales and use taxes on cigarettes, was passed as reported, Senate rejecting Williams amendment to make effective date February 1, 1950. This action clears the bill for the President's signature. Pages 14013, 14014–14019

Columbia Institution: Senate asked for a conference on H. R. 86, to amend the Civil Service Retirement Act so as to make such act applicable to the officers and employees of the Columbia Institution for the Deaf, and appointed as conferees Senators Johnston of South Carolina, Humphrey, and Langer. Page 14003

Confirmations: One UN nomination was confirmed, along with the nomination of Lowell B. Mason, of Illinois, to be Federal Trade Commissioner, and fifteen nominations in the Diplomatic and Foreign Service, including that of Selden Chapin, of D. C., to be Ambassador to the Netherlands. Pages 14020, 14022

Nominations: One hundred and seventy-six Navy appointments were received. Page 14022

Committee Meetings

FARM PRICE SUPPORT

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Committee voted to report back to the Senate with amendments S. 2522, to stabilize prices of agricultural commodities by providing for flexible support prices varying from 75 to 90 percent of "modern" parity. As approved, the bill embodies essentially the original Anderson version; several minor changes were made, but the main price-support features were kept. The Russell-Young amendment placing a rigid 90 percent of parity price-support program, which the Senate adopted before recommitting the bill on October 4, was rejected by the committee. The bill is scheduled for Senate consideration tomorrow.

It also voted to report with amendment H. R. 5345, the farm price-support bill passed by the House, with an amendment to substitute therefor the language of the above Senate bill.

AGRICULTURAL PRICES—FLOUR

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Subcommittee on Utilization of Farm Crops, in connection with its study on price spread between production and consumption of agricultural crops, received testimony from the following representatives of flour-milling companies on the costs of processing flour: Leslie N. Perrin, president, General Mills, Inc.; Philip W. Pillsbury, president, Pillsbury Flour Mills; and A. B. Dygert, vice president, International Milling Co. Subcommittee adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

SUGAR

Committee on Finance: Committee held a special meeting to receive testimony from Senator Thomas of Utah in opposition to S. 501, to repeal section 202 (e) of the Sugar Act, which authorizes the Secretary of Agriculture to withhold a portion of quota for any foreign country upon finding and notification by the Secretary of State that such country denies fair treatment to U. S. nationals, which had previously been ordered reported on September 29. The report was filed today.

Committee also ordered reported favorably the nomination of James E. Manahan to be collector of customs, district No. 2, Vermont.

TIDELANDS

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Continuing hearings on the tidelands bills (S. 155, 923, 1545, and 2153), committee received testimony from Everett W. Mattoon, assistant attorney general of California, and Walter S. Hallanan, president, Plymouth Oil Co., Pittsburg, in support of S. 1545 and S. 155, the so-called quitclaims bills, and against S. 923, the bill proposed by the administration. Hearings continue tomorrow.

YOUTH OFFENDERS

Committee on the Judiciary: Continuing hearings on S. 1114 and S. 2609, to provide a correctional system for youth offenders convicted in the courts of the U. S., the subcommittee received further testimony in support of the proposed legislation from John J. Parker, Federal circuit judge; Carroll Hincks, judge of U. S. District Court for District of Connecticut; Harrison Tweed, president, American Law Institute; and John W. Holzworth, an attorney of Fairbanks, Alaska. Hearings continue tomorrow.

VETERANS

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Committee unanimously voted to report with amendments S. 2596, relating to education or training of veterans under title II of the Servicemen's Readjustment Act.

RIVERS AND HARBORS AND FLOOD CONTROL

Committee on Public Works: In executive session, the committee voted to report with amendments H. R. 5472, to authorize the appropriation of $1,564,000,000 for the construction and completion of various flood-control and river and harbor projects.

Before taking this action, the committee rejected an amendment proposing a comprehensive plan for the Columbia River Basin project, but adopted amendments to authorize the construction of individual projects and the appropriations therefor, totaling $250 million to the Corps of Engineers and $175 million for the Bureau of Reclamation. (The proposed appropriation for the Bureau of Reclamation is contingent on approval by the Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs.)

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Nine public bills, H. R. 6336–6343 and H. R. 6347; three private bills, H. R. 6344–6346; and ten resolutions, H. Con. Res. 138–143 and H. Res. 378–381, were introduced. Page 14073

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

Disposition of executive papers (H. Repts. 1382 and 1383);

H. R. 5594, to amend the Export-Import Bank Act of 1945, as amended, to vest power in the Export-Import

Bank of Washington to guarantee U. S. investments abroad (H. Rept. 1384); and

H. R. 6316, to amend the National Housing Act, as amended, relative to Federal Savings and Loan Insurance Corporation insurance premiums (H. Rept. 1385). Pages 14072–14073

Lobbying: The Speaker today, pursuant to H. Res. 298, appointed the following members to membership on the Select Committee To Investigate Lobbying Activities: Representatives Buchanan, chairman; Lanham; Albert; Doyle; Halleck; Brown of Ohio; and O'Hara of Minnesota. Page 14023

D. C. Teachers: Adopted, and cleared for the President, the conference report on H. R. 4381, to provide cumulative sick and emergency leave with pay for teachers and attendance officers of D. C. Board of Education. Page 14024

Agriculture: Agreed to Senate amendment to H. R. 2514, to enable the Secretary of Agriculture to extend financial assistance to homestead entrymen, thus clearing the bill for Presidential action. Page 14024

Retirement: Disagreed to Senate amendments to H. R. 86, to amend the Civil Service Retirement Act so as to make such act applicable to the officers and employees of the Columbia Institution for the Deaf; requested a conference with the Senate; and appointed as conferees Representatives Murray of Tennessee, Thornberry, and Rees. Page 14024

Appropriations: Adopted the following conference reports:

Interior Department appropriations: H. R. 3838, the Interior Department appropriation bill for 1950, and returned it to the Senate with amendments Nos. 11, 64, 67, 86, 115, 119, 135, and 167 still in disagreement. Pages 14028–14042

Third deficiency: H. R. 5300, the third deficiency appropriation bill for 1949, and sent it to the Senate with amendments Nos. 9 and 19 still in disagreement. Pages 14042–14049

Army civil functions: H. R. 3734, making appropriations for civil functions administered by the Department of the Army for 1950. The House voted to insist on disagreeing to amendments Nos. 12 and 13 and on amendment No. 16 to recede and concur with an amendment. Pages 14049–14059

Federal Employees Compensation: Agreed to Senate amendments to H. R. 3191, the Federal Employees Compensation Act amendments of 1949, thus clearing the bill for the White House. Pages 14059–14060

Postal Delivery: Insisted on its amendment to S. 1479, to abolish the village delivery service in second-class post offices and to transfer village carriers in such offices to the city delivery service; agreed to a conference requested by the Senate; and appointed Representatives Murray of Tennessee, Karst, and Rees conferees on the part of the House. Page 14064

Appropriations: Permission was granted to the committees of conference on the disagreement to Senate amendments to H. R. 4146, the National Military appropriation bill for 1950, and H. R. 6008, supplemental appropriation bill for 1950, to have until midnight, Friday, October 7, to file conference reports. Page 14059

Committee Meetings

NATIONAL DEFENSE

Committee on Armed Services: Opened hearings on the committee's study of defense planning. Secretary of Navy Matthews testified in today's open session, while Admiral Arthur W. Radford, Pacific Fleet commander, was heard in an executive session in the afternoon. Admiral Radford's executive statement will be reread at tomorrow morning's open meeting.

WHEAT AGREEMENT

Committee on Banking and Currency: Dr. D. A. Fitzgerald, ECA; William F. Brooks, National Grain Trades Council; and J. T. Sanders, legislative representative, National Grange, testified at today's hearings in support of H. R. 6305, to give effect to the international wheat agreement signed by the United States and other countries relating to the stabilization of supplies and prices in the international wheat market. Committee adjourned subject to the call of the Chair.

UNDERDEVELOPED AREAS

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Continued hearings on H. R. 5615, authorizing U. S. participation in a cooperative effort to assist economically underdeveloped areas of the world. Appearing at today's meeting were the following witnesses: Spruille Braden, former Assistant Secretary of State; Thomas M. Tarleau; and Rt. Rev. Msgr. John McClafferty, representing the National Conference of Catholic Charities. Hearings will be continued tomorrow morning on this subject.

VESSEL PERSONNEL

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Subcommittee on Maritime Affairs heard Capt. W. J. Van Buren, secretary and Washington representative, National Organization Masters, Mates, and Pilots of America, who testified in support of H. R. 4450, to extend the requirements for fixing the minimum number of deck officers on steam vessels to certain additional vessels of the United States. No definite date was fixed for further hearings on this subject at this time.

POSTAL RATES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Held its second executive consideration of H. R. 2945, to readjust postal rates. No action was taken on the bill, and the committee adjourned subject to the call of the Chair.

WIND TUNNEL—D. C. STUDY—RULES

Committee on Rules: Granted an open rule providing for 1 hour's general debate on S. 1267, authorizing unitary plan for construction of transsonic and supersonic wind-tunnel facilities and establishment of air engineering development center. Representatives Brooks and Durham were heard in favor of the rule.

Also ordered reported to the House H. Res. 340, authorizing crime study by the Committee on the District of Columbia. Representatives Smith of Virginia and Cox requested a favorable report.

Considered, but took no action on, H. Res. 331, authorizing Committee on Banking and Currency to make investigations in the field of housing, and rules for the consideration of the following bills: H. R. 5594, authorizing the Export-Import Bank to guarantee U. S. investments abroad; H. R. 5965, regarding Veterans' Administration hospitals; H. J. Res. 334, participation by the United States in certain international organizations; H. R. 2392, to provide for the liquidation of trust funds now held by the Secretary of Agriculture in the name of State rural rehabilitation corporations; H. R. 4766 and H. R. 6303, bills authorizing certain construction at military and naval installations.

Representatives Spence and Patman requested a favorable report on the housing investigation resolution, and Representative Spence also urged the rule of the bill providing Federal guaranty of U. S. investments abroad. Testifying in favor of consideration of the VA hospital bill were Representatives Rankin, Rogers of Massachusetts, and Meyer. Representatives Morgan and Kee were heard on behalf of a rule for the joint resolution permitting U. S. participation in certain international organizations, and Representative Pace favored a rule for the bill providing for liquidation of certain rural trust funds.

Representative Brooks requested an open rule on H. R. 4766, parent construction bill, in preference to consideration of H. R. 6303, authorizing certain construction at military and naval installations. Other Members speaking in support of this legislation were Representatives Bennett of Florida, Sutton, and Sykes. Further consideration of these bills has been scheduled for next Monday, October 10.

Joint Committee Meetings

ATOMIC ENERGY

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: By vote of 10 to 8, the committee rejected a resolution by Senator Hickenlooper to receive new testimony on the investigation of the administration of the AEC. It unanimously agreed to a request by Senator Knowland to the effect that the committee inquire into a matter which has come to the attention of the Senator since the close of the hearings, and that Secretary of Air Symington and two of his deputies be called to testify.

MILITARY APPROPRIATIONS

Conferees met again in executive session on H. R. 4146, National Military appropriations for 1950, to work out differences between the House- and Senate-passed versions of the bill, but did not reach final agreement.

Friday, October 7, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

Interior appropriations bill was cleared for President.

Senate worked on farm price-support bill, rejecting the rigid 90-percent-parity amendment.

Public hearings on bill to furnish economic assistance to world's underdeveloped areas completed by House committee.

Conferees agreed to file reports on supplemental and military appropriations, and bills on veterans and internal revenue.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 14074–14076

Bills Introduced: Seven bills were introduced, as follows: S. 2648 to S. 2654. Page 14074

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. Res. 172, favoring development of special aircraft for agricultural purposes (S. Rept. 1135);

H. J. Res. 340, to clarify the status of the Architect of the Capitol under the Federal Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949 (S. Rept. 1136);

S. 2205, D. C. sludge removal, with amendments (S. Rept. 1137);

S. 2365, placing under Classification Act of 1923 certain positions in the municipal government of D. C. (S. Rept. 1138);

H. R. 4059, private bill (S. Rept. 1139);

H. J. Res. 302, to increase the compensation of certain D. C. employees so as to clarify the provisions relating to retired policemen and firemen (S. Rept. 1140);

H. J. Res. 337, payments to certain property owners on Eastern Avenue, D. C. (S. Rept. 1141);

S. J. Res. 128, authorize President to lend to the FAO of the UN funds for the construction and furnishing of a permanent headquarters, with amendments (S. Rept. 1142); and

H. R. 5472, authorize $1,564,000,000 for the construction and completion of various flood-control and river and harbor projects, with amendments (S. Rept. 1143).

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Farm Price Support: Senate considered H. R. 5345 (S. 2522), to stabilize prices of agricultural commodities by providing for flexible support prices varying from 75 to 90 percent of "modern" parity, taking the following action on amendments to committee amendment which had been reported as a substitute for text of the bill:

Adopted by voice vote: Modified Anderson substitute for section 407 respecting sales of farm commodities by Commodity Credit Corporation; and Fulbright amendment respecting apportionment of acreage allotment as to rice.

Rejected: By 22 yeas to 51 nays, Chapman amendment establishing limitation as to reduction of farm acreage allotments on burley tobacco; and by 26 yeas to 45 nays, modified Russell-Young amendment to make 90 percent of parity price supports mandatory on all basic crops for which marketing quotas or acreage allotments are in effect. (A motion to reconsider was laid on table by voice vote.) Pending at recess was Magnuson amendment barring future entry of U. S. into certain international agreements.

Pages 14077–14094, 14096–14115, 14120–14121, 14123–14127

Interior Appropriations: Conference report on H. R. 3838, Interior appropriations for 1950, was adopted and amendments in disagreement were disposed of, clearing the bill for the President's signature. Pages 14116–14117

Nomination: The nomination of James Bruce to be Director of Foreign Military Assistance was received.

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Committee Meetings

TIDELANDS

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Continuing hearings on the tidelands bills (S. 155, 923, 1545, 2153, H. R. 5991 and 5992), the committee received testimony from the following witnesses: Nathaniel B. Bidwell, Massachusetts Bar Association; Hines H. Baker, president, Humble Oil & Refining Co.; and Ernie Pyles, in behalf of California Petroleum Industry. Hearings continue tomorrow.

DISPLACED PERSONS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee heard Charles B. Foster, representing the DAV, and Charles H. Miller, appearing in behalf of the Daughters of America, testify in opposition to the enactment of H. R. 4567, the displaced persons bill. Hearings continue tomorrow.

YOUTH OFFENDERS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee concluded hearings on S. 1114 and S. 2609, to provide a correctional system for youth offenders convicted in the courts of the U. S., after receiving further testimony in support of the proposed legislation from Judge Orie Phillips, U. S. Circuit Court; John Ellingston, Youth Authority Program, American Law Institute; Donald M. Counihan, attorney of Washington, D. C.; James E. Palmer, Jr., president, Federal Bar Association; Wil Justi, National Grange; Ewing Cockrell, president, U. S. Federation of Justice; and John M. Holzworth, attorney of Fairbanks, Alaska. George D. Riley, AFL, filed a statement.

LABOR-MANAGEMENT RELATIONS

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee, consisting of Senators Murray, chairman, Pepper, Neely, Humphrey, Taft, Morse, and Donnell, appointed in pursuance of S. Res. 140, authorizing the Committee on Labor and Public Welfare to investigate the field of labor-management relations and to file a report thereon, met in executive session and appointed as the subcommittee's general counsel Thomas M. Cooley 2d, a D. C. attorney.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Monday, October 10, at 12 o'clock noon.

Committee Meetings

NATIONAL DEFENSE

Committee on Armed Services: Admiral Arthur W. Radford, Pacific Fleet commander, publicly disclosed the statement he made at yesterday's executive meeting relating to national defense planning. He spoke against the merger of the three branches of the armed services, and in opposition to the purchase of the B-36 bomber by the Air Force. Further witnesses will be heard at tomorrow morning's hearing on this subject.

UNDERDEVELOPED AREAS

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Completed open hearings on H. R. 5615, authorizing U. S. participation in a cooperative effort to assist economically underdeveloped areas of the world and heard the testimony of Assistant Secretary of Labor Kaiser, Secretary of the Interior Krug, and Roy Gifford of the Detroit Chamber of Commerce. Committee will resume on this subject Monday morning in executive session.

IMMIGRATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 1 ordered three private immigration bills reported to the full committee.

Joint Committee Meetings

EXECUTIVES' PAY RAISE

Conferees met in executive session on H. R. 1689, executives' pay raise, but failed to reach final agreement. They meet again October 10.

MILITARY APPROPRIATIONS

Conferees on H. R. 4146, national military appropriations for 1950, having agreed to file a conference report, were given until midnight tonight to file it.

SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS

Conferees on H. R. 6008, supplemental appropriations for 1950, met in executive session to consider differences between the House- and Senate-passed versions, and reached agreement to file a conference report. As approved by the conferees, the bill would appropriate $78,005,129. As passed by the House, it would have appropriated $72,790,521. As passed by the Senate it would have appropriated $104,172,589. Budget estimates considered total $89,965,021.

INTERNAL REVENUE, AND FOREIGN-TRADE ZONES

Conferees on H. R. 5268, to amend certain provisions of the Internal Revenue Code including sections on farmers' return, foreign tax credit, charitable deductions by corporations, transfer of stocks between corporations and nominee, employee annuity contracts, and relinquishment of powers in case of reciprocal trust, met to approve the drafted report of the agreement reached on October 3, and reconsidered Senate amendment No. 8, relative to percentage depletion. At the meeting on October 3, the conferees agreed to Senate amendment No. 8 with an amendment to leave all items in but reduce percentage allowance from 15 to 5 percent. Today it was agreed that the Senate conferees would recede from Senate amendment No. 8 altogether, thus eliminating the amendment.

The conferees also considered H. R. 5332, to amend section 3 of the act of June 18, 1934, relating to the establishment of foreign-trade zones, but failed to reach agreement. Conferees adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

VETERANS' AUTOMOBILES

Conferees met in executive session on S. 2115, to authorize payments by the VA on purchase of automobiles or other conveyances by certain disabled veterans, to reconsider action they had taken on that bill on September 27. On that date they had agreed to make a report in disagreement (H. Rept. 1340) on the differences between the House- and Senate-passed versions. In their meeting today, the Senate conferees receded and accepted the House amendment so as to include World War I veterans, making them eligible for the benefits provided for in the bill.

Monday, October 10, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate recessed out of respect for Senator Miller.

House adopted conference report on military appropriations and sent rural telephone bill to conference.

Bills amending the National Housing Act and stabilizing international wheat-market prices cleared for House action by the Rules Committee.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, page 14127

Bills Introduced: One resolution was introduced, as follows: S. Res. 182. Page 14128

Condolence Resolution: Senate adopted S. Res. 182, expressing sorrow at the death of Senator Bert H. Miller. Pages 14128–14129

Committee Meetings

TIDELANDS

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Continuing hearings on the tidelands bills (S. 155, 923, 1545, 2153, H. R. 5991 and 5992), the committee received testimony from the following witnesses: E. F. Bullard, president, Stanolind Oil & Gas Co., Tulsa; Herman Haveler, assistant to the vice president, Phillips Petroleum Co., Bartlesville, Okla.; Max Barish, Washington attorney; Angus McDonald, National Farmers' Union; Benjamin C. Marsh, People's Lobby; H. A. Hanson, California; Orrin deMotte Walker, Washington attorney; William E. Welsh, Natural Reclamation Association; and J. T. Sanders, National Grange. Committee adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

BUREAU OF RECLAMATION, NATIONAL MONUMENT, AND PARK LANDS

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: The following three bills were reported by the committee: With amendment, S. 1583, to provide for the establishment of the Island Beach National Monument, New Jersey; and, without amendment, H. R. 3480, to authorize educational use of lands granted to Kentucky by U. S. for State parks, and H. R. 5105, private bill.

The committee also considered the proposed amendment authorizing $175 million for the Bureau of Reclamation as embodied in H. R. 5472, the general river and harbor and flood-control bill, but reached no conclusion thereon. (This bill has been reported by the Senate Committee on Public Works.) Committee adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

DP COMMISSION

Committee on the Judiciary: In executive session, committee voted to report favorably the nominations of Ugo Carusi, of Vermont; Edward M. O'Connor, of New York; and Harry N. Rosenfield, of New York, to be members of the Displaced Persons Commission.

PRIVATE BILL

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee held hearings on S. 2632, a private bill.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Fifteen public bills, H. R. 6348–6362; nine private bills, H. R. 6363–6371; and nine resolutions, H. J. Res. 371 and 372, and H. Res. 382–390, were introduced. Pages 14136, 14161, 14170–14171

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

Conference report on H. R. 4146, the National Military Establishment appropriation bill for 1950 (H. Rept. 1386) (filed on October 7);

Conference report on H. R. 6008, supplemental appropriation bill for 1950 (H. Rept. 1387 (filed on October 7);

H. Res. 340, to authorize the Committee on the District of Columbia to investigate and study crimes committed in the D. C. in recent years (H. Rept. 1388);

Conference report on H. R. 86, amending the Civil Service Retirement Act so as to make such act applicable to officers and employees of the Columbia Institution for the Deaf (H. Rept. 1389);

H. Res. 382, providing for the consideration of, and 1 hour of general debate on, H. R. 2372, to provide for the liquidation of the trusts under the transfer agreements with State rural rehabilitation corporations (H. Rept. 1390);

H. Res. 388, providing for consideration of, and 1 hour of general debate on, H. R. 6303, authorizing certain construction at military and naval installations (H. Rept. 1391);

H. Res. 331, to authorize the Committee on Banking and Currency to make investigations into any matter in the field of housing within its jurisdiction (H. Rept. 1392);

H. Res. 390, providing for the consideration of, 1 hour of general debate on, and the waiving of points of order against, S. J. Res. 134, to amend the National Housing Act, as amended (H. Rept. 1393);

Conference report on S. 2115, to authorize payments by the Administrator of Veterans' Affairs of the purchase of automobiles or other conveyances by certain disabled veterans (H. Rept. 1394);

H. R. 6305, to give effect to the international wheat agreement signed by the United States and other countries relating to the stabilization of supplies and prices in the international wheat market (H. Rept. 1395);

S. J. Res. 134, to amend the National Housing Act by extending title I thereof to March 1, 1950 (H. Rept. 1396); and

H. R. 6185, to amend the Federal Credit Union Act (H. Rept. 1397). Pages 14136–14138, 14163, 14170

Executive Mansion: Passed, with committee amendments, H. J. Res. 353, authorizing the Commission on Renovation of the Executive Mansion to preserve or dispose of material removed from the Executive Mansion during the period of renovation. Pages 14132–14133

Land Conveyance: Passed the following two land-conveyance bills:

Linn County, Oreg.: H. R. 6230, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain land to school district No. 5, Linn County, Oreg.

Acadia National Park: H. R. 4390, to authorize the conveyance, for school purposes, of certain land in Acadia National Park to the town of Tremont, Maine. Page 14134

Arlington Carillon: Passed H. R. 6259, to provide for the installation of a carillon in the Arlington National Cemetery in memory of World War II dead. Page 14134

Army-Navy Nurses: Passed, with committee amendments, H. R. 5876, to amend the Army-Navy Nurses Act of 1947 to provide for additional appointments. Pages 14135–14136

Military Establishment Appropriations: Adopted conference report on H. R. 4146, the National Military Establishment appropriation bill for 1950. House voted, 305 yeas to 1 nay, to further insist on disagreement to Senate amendments Nos. 73, 74, 77, and 81, which provide for 48 air groups instead of 58 air groups as passed by the House. Also voted, 305 yeas to no nays, to further insist on disagreement to Senate amendment No. 99, which rescinds $275 million previously approved by Congress for stock piling strategic materials and bans long-range contracts for the purchase of critical or strategic materials abroad. Of the remaining 22 amendments in disagreement the House voted to recede and concur in 12 and voted to recede and concur with further amendments to amendments Nos. 7, 13, 87, 91, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, and 100; thus leaving 10 amendments in disagreement. Pages 14136–14160

Condolence Resolution: Adopted H. Res. 389, expressing condolence on the death of Senator Bert H. Miller from the State of Idaho and calling for the appointment of a funeral committee. Representative White of Idaho, Patten, Angell, and Sanborn were appointed to the funeral committee. Page 14161

Rural Telephones: Disagreed to Senate amendments to H. R. 2960, to amend the Rural Electrification Act of 1936 to authorize the Rural Electrification Administrator to make loans for the purpose of financing or refinancing the improvement, expansion, construction, acquisition, and operation of telephone lines, facilities, or systems to furnish and improve telephone service in rural areas; agreed to a conference requested by the Senate; and appointed as conferees Representatives Cooley, Poage, Pace, Grant, Hope, August H. Andresen, and Murray of Wisconsin. Page 14163

International Organizations: Under rule XI 2 (c), the so-called 21-day rule, the House considered H. Res. 350, the rule providing for consideration of H. J. Res. 334, to amend certain laws providing for membership and participation by the United States in certain international organizations, but adjourned without adopting the rule. Pages 14161–14163

Vets' Autos: Recommitted the conference report (H. Rept. 1340) on S. 2115, to authorize payments by the Administrator of Veterans' Affairs on the purchase of autos or other conveyances by certain disabled veterans. Page 14163

Bill Referred: S. 2105, to stimulate exploration for and conservation of strategic minerals, passed by the Senate on October 6, was referred to the Committee on Public Lands. Page 14163

D. C. Legislation: The consideration of legislation pertaining to the District of Columbia was made in order on Thursday, October 13. Page 14163

Committee Meetings

NATIONAL DEFENSE

Committee on Armed Services: Continued public hearings in connection with its national defense planning study and heard testimony of the following naval officials: Lt. Comdr. E. W. Harrison, head of Radar Branch, Bureau of Aeronautics; Commander William M. Leonard, commander of a banshee-jet flight squadron; Commander William I. Martin, executive officer, Pacific Fleet All-Weather Training Unit; Commander Alfred B. Metsger, Pacific Fleet air staff officer; Commander Eugene Tatom, head of the Aviation Ordnance Branch, U. S. Navy; and Abraham Hyatt, head of the Aviation Design Research Branch. Further Navy testimony will be given at tomorrow morning's open meeting.

WHEAT AGREEMENTS—HOUSING

Committee on Banking and Currency: Ordered the following bills reported to the House:

H. R. 6305, to give effect to the international wheat agreement signed by the United States and other countries relating to the stabilization of supplies and prices in the international wheat market, with minor amendments;

H. R. 6185, amending the Federal Credit Union Act; and

S. J. Res. 134, to amend the National Housing Act by extending title I thereof to March 1, 1950. This resolution was reported with amendments to include certain provisions of H. R. 6070, passed by the House on August 25; namely, section 304, authorizing national banks to purchase mortgages insured under title VIII of the National Housing Act; section 305, authorizing FNMA to make loans for the purpose of financing distribution of prefabricated housing up to a total of $25,000,000; and authorizing a 100-percent secondary market for GI loans by FNMA. Adjourned subject to the call of the Chair.

FEDERAL SCHOOL ENROLLMENTS

Committee on Education and Labor: Bailey subcommittee opened hearings today on H. R. 4115, providing for education of children residing on certain nonsupporting federally owned property and children residing in localities overburdened with increased enrollments resulting from Federal activities in the area. Today's witnesses consisted of representatives of the Army, Navy, Air Force, and Corps of Engineers. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

AIRPORTS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee on Transportation approved for reporting to the full committee S. 1282, authorizing grants under Federal Airport Act, and S. 2360, authorizing appropriations for projects in Virgin Islands under Federal Airport Act.

MEDICAL EDUCATION

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee on Public Health, Science, and Commerce approved for reporting to the full committee H. R. 5940, relating to Federal aid to medical education.

COAST GUARD OFFICERS

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Subcommittee on Coast Guard held hearings on S. 2477, to equalize the pay and retirement benefits of certain commissioned officers of the Coast Guard. Witnesses appearing on this measure were Capt. A. C. Richmond, Chief, Planning and Control, and Capt. R. B. Lank, production superintendent, Curtis Bay, Md., both of the U. S. Coast Guard. Adjourned subject to the call of the Chair.

MINERALS—INDIANS

Committee on Public Lands: Ordered the following bills reported to the House:

S. 76, a private bill;

S. 939, providing that certain lands withdrawn by an Executive order may be leased for exploitation of silica sand and other nonmetallic minerals only so long as such lands remain so withdrawn; and

S. 1829, to transfer to the Crow Indian Tribe of Montana the title to certain buffalo.

Held general discussion of the provisions of S. 2105, to stimulate exploration for and conservation of strategic minerals, and will further consider this subject at tomorrow morning's meeting.

CAPITOL POWER PLANT

Committee on Public Works: David Lynn, Architect of the Capitol, accompanied by his staff and consultant engineers, testified at the committee's consideration of H. R. 6281, providing for certain improvements relating to the Capitol power plant, its distribution system, and the buildings and grounds served by the plant, including proposed additions. This measure will be further considered in executive session tomorrow morning.

RURAL TRUSTS—MILITARY CONSTRUCTION—HOUSING—WHEAT AGREEMENTS

Committee on Rules: Granted an open rule providing for 1 hour's general debate on H. R. 2392, to provide for the liquidation of trust funds now held by the Secretary of Agriculture in the name of State rural rehabilitation corporations, and H. R. 6303, authorizing certain construction at military and naval installations.

Also granted a closed rule, waiving points of order against S. J. Res. 134, amending the National Housing Act (see amendments under report of Committee on Banking and Currency), and approved a favorable report on H. Res. 331, authorizing Committee on Banking and Currency to make investigations in the field of housing. Representative Spence spoke on behalf of the closed rule and the resolution. He also urged an open rule, which was granted, providing 1 hour's general debate on H. R. 6305, to give effect to the international wheat agreement signed by the United States and other countries relating to the stabilization of supplies and prices in the international wheat market.

Considered, but took no action on, rules for H. J. Res. 334, participation by the United States in certain international organizations; H. R. 6316, amending the National Housing Act; and H. R. 5594, authorizing the Export-Import Bank to guarantee U. S. investments abroad. Representative Spence requested rules for the last two mentioned bills. Representative Wolcott opposed the rule on the measure relating to the guaranty of U. S. investments abroad, while Representative Herter appeared against granting a rule on this same bill at the present time.

Joint Committee Meetings

ATOMIC ENERGY

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Committee met in executive session to work on draft of proposed report by the committee on the investigation of the administration of the AEC. A subcommittee, consisting of Senator McMahon and Representatives Durham and Hinshaw, was appointed to consider suggestions for change of the draft.

The subcommittee will meet tomorrow, and the full committee will meet on Wednesday to vote on filing the report.

Tuesday, October 11, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

Supplemental appropriation bill cleared for President.

Senate continued work on farm price-support bill, disposing of various amendments.

House passed bills on military construction and supersonic research.

Bills on aid to medical education, airport construction, and strategic-mineral exploration program approved by House committees.

Conferees filed report on executives' pay-increase bill.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 14172–14178

Bills Introduced: Seventeen bills and five resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2655 to S. 2671; S. J. Res. 135; and S. Res. 183, 184, 185, and 186.

Pages 14173–14174, 14230

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. R. 3699, to amend the Federal Farm Loan Act to authorize full participation by Puerto Rico and Alaska, with amendment (S. Rept. 1144);

H. R. 5731, to discharge a fiduciary obligation to Iran (S. Rept. 1145);

S. 2404, authorizing construction and improvement of Indian hospital at Albuquerque, N. Mex., with amendments (S. Rept. 1146);

H. R. 5105, private bill (S. Rept. 1147);

H. R. 4686, 4968, 5459, Hawaiian public improvement bonds, all with amendments (S. Repts. 1148–1150);

H. R. 5490, relative to session laws of Hawaii, with amendment (S. Rept. 1151);

H. R. 4586, relative to Virgin Islands bonds, with amendments (S. Rept. 1152);

S. Res. 106, to recognize the three hundredth anniversary of the Maryland Act of Religious Tolerance (S. Rept. 1153);

H. R. 5319, private bill (S. Rept. 1154);

S. Con. Res. 63, relative to Dr. Thomas Walker bicentennial historical pageant (S. Rept. 1155);

S. 2596, relating to education or training of veterans under title II of the Servicemen's Readjustment Act, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute (S. Rept. 1156);

S. Res. 184, to authorize study of national health problems by subcommittee of Committee on Labor and Public Welfare and provide $10,000 therefor (S. Rept. 1157); and

Additional minority views on S. J. Res. 58, Wilder Dam project review (pt. II of S. Rept. 1077).

Pages 14173–14174

Bills Referred: Four House-passed bills were referred to appropriate committees. Page 14174

Bill Placed on Calendar: H. J. Res. 353, disposition of material removed from the Executive Mansion, was placed on the calendar. Page 14174

Food, Drugs, and Cosmetics: Senate receded from its amendments to H. R. 160, to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act, relative to relabeling costs, etc., on imported goods, clearing the bill for the President's signature. Page 14185

Conference Reports: Senate adopted conference reports on the following bills, clearing them for the President's signature:

Supplemental appropriations: H. R. 6008, supplemental appropriations for 1950; and

Columbia Institution: H. R. 86, to amend the Civil Service Retirement Act so as to make such act applicable to the officers and employees of the Columbia Institution for the Deaf. Page 14201

Farm Price Support: Senate continued consideration of H. R. 5345 (S. 2522), to stabilize prices of agricultural commodities by providing for flexible support prices varying from 75 to 90 percent of "modern" parity, taking the following action on amendments:

Adopted: By 44 yeas to 28 nays, Magnuson amendment barring future entry of U. S. into certain international agreements; and

Rejected: By voice vote (after voting by 42 yeas to 27 nays to reconsider previous adoption of this amendment on division vote), modified Hunt amendment authorizing Secretary of Agriculture to waive acreage allotments for marketing quotas as to certain new lands brought into production in 1950 for first time; by division vote, amendment by Senator Johnson of Colorado to include rabbit hair and turkeys among commodities eligible for price support; by voice vote, McCarthy amendment including hemp among commodities eligible for price support; by division vote, Malone amendment requiring import tax on any commodity when average wholesale price therefor is less than its parity price; by voice vote, Fulbright amendment increasing by 500,000 tons the amount of sugar determined as necessary to meet U. S. consumer requirements; by voice vote, Fulbright amendment repealing Sugar Act of 1948; and by voice vote, modified Humphrey-Thye amendment to include pork, poultry, eggs, beef, and certain grains among commodities eligible for price support.

Pending at recess was Butler amendment requiring Secretary of Agriculture to use customary channels of trade in disposing of commodities.

Pages 14178–14180, 14186–14212

Nominations: Seven civilian nominations were received, including those of Jack K. McFall, D. C., to be Assistant Secretary of State; Harold C. Stuart, Oklahoma, to be Assistant Secretary of Air Force; and two nominations to the UN. One nomination to the UN and one postmaster nomination were withdrawn.

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Committee Meetings

MILITARY APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Members of the committee met informally in executive session to consider Senate action on two amendments in disagreement to H. R. 4146, National Military appropriations for 1950. The two amendments involved are the Senate amendments relative to proposed cut in appropriations for Air Force and strategic stock-piling.

BUREAU OF RECLAMATION

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Harry W. Bashore, former Commissioner of Bureau of Reclamation, appeared before the committee, in connection with its investigation of the administration of the Bureau of Reclamation, to discuss the appointment of Richard L. Boke as a regional director of the Bureau of Reclamation. Hearings continue tomorrow with Commissioner Straus as a witness.

JUDICIAL NOMINATIONS, AND MEMORIALS

Committee on the Judiciary: Nine nominations were ordered favorably reported by the committee in executive session, as follows: Casper Platt to be U. S. district judge for eastern district of Illinois; Walter C. Lindley, of Illinois, to be judge of U. S. Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit; James V. Allred and Ben C. Connally to be district judges for the southern district of Texas; John C. Pickett, of Wyoming, to be judge of U. S. Circuit Court of Appeals, Tenth Circuit; Joseph A. McNamara to be U. S. attorney for the district of Vermont; Charles H. Cashin to be U. S. attorney for western district of Wisconsin; Timothy T. Cronin to be U. S. attorney for eastern district of Wisconsin; and Herbert I. Hinds to be marshal for eastern district of Oklahoma.

It also voted to report without amendment S. Con. Res. 63, relative to Dr. Thomas Walker bicentennial historical pageant; S. Res. 106, to recognize the three hundredth anniversary of the Maryland Act of Religious Tolerance; and H. R. 5319, private bill.

Committee met in night session to consider proposed displaced-persons legislation (H. R. 4567).

FEDERAL DISTRICT JUDGE

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee held routine hearings on the nomination of Willis W. Ritter to be district judge in Utah.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Eight public bills, H. R. 6372–6379; eight private bills, H. R. 6380–6387; and four resolutions, H. J. Res. 373, and H. Res. 391–393, were introduced.

Pages 14241, 14290

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. Res. 378, to pay a gratuity to the widow of a recently deceased House employee (H. Rept. 1398);

H. Res. 373, to pay a gratuity to the estate of a recently deceased House employee (H. Rept. 1399);

H. Res. 391, providing for consideration of, and 1 hour of general debate on, H. R. 6305, to give effect to the international wheat agreement signed by U. S. and other countries relating to the stabilization of supplies and prices in the international wheat market (H. Rept. 1400);

H. Res. 392, providing for consideration of, and 1 hour of general debate on, S. 1267, to promote the national defense by authorizing a unitary plan for construction of transsonic and supersonic wind-tunnel facilities and the establishment of an air engineering development center (H. Rept. 1401);

H. R. 6281, to provide for certain improvements relating to the Capitol power plant, its distribution systems, and buildings and grounds served by the plant (H. Rept. 1402);

S. 76, a private bill (H. Rept. 1403);

S. 1542, authorizing the withdrawal of public notices in the Yuma reclamation project (H. Rept. 1404);

S. 939, removing certain lands from the operation of Public Law 545 (77th Cong.) (H. Rept. 1405);

H. R. 5940, Emergency Professional Health Training Act of 1949 (H. Rept. 1406);

H. R. 5346, to further promote the development and maintenance of the American merchant marine (H. Rept. 1407);

S. 443, to authorize construction and equipment of a radio laboratory for the National Bureau of Standards (H. Rept. 1408);

S. 1282, to authorize grants under the Federal Airport Act for minor projects at major airports (H. Rept. 1409);

S. 1829, to transfer to the Crow Indian Tribe of Montana the title to certain buffalo (H. Rept. 1410);

Conference report on H. R. 1689, increasing the rates of compensation of the heads and assistant heads of executive departments and independent agencies (H. Rept. 1411);

Conference report on H. R. 5268, Internal Revenue Code amendments (H. Rept. 1412);

S. 2316, construction and equipment of a guided-missile research laboratory building for National Bureau of Standards (H. Rept. 1413);

S. 2360, to amend the Federal Airport Act to authorize appropriation for projects in the Virgin Islands (H. Rept. 1414);

S. 2436, to increase by $4 million the $13 million authorization approved by Congress last year for construction of airports in Alaska (H. Rept. 1415); and

S. 2105, to stimulate the exploration for strategic and critical ores, metals, and minerals, amended (H. Rept. 1416). Pages 14289–14290

Gratuities: Considered and adopted H. Res. 373 and 378, providing for payment, to beneficiaries of recently deceased House employees, of 6 months' salary and $350 to defray funeral expenses. Page 14289

Supplemental Appropriations: Adopted conference report on H. R. 6008, making supplemental appropriations for fiscal year 1950. The House voted, 158 yeas to 165 nays, against recommitting the conference report and insisting on disagreement to amendment No. 12, relative to $3 million for National Capital Sesquicentennial Commission. Of the nine amendments in disagreement the House voted to recede and concur in seven instances and voted to recede and concur with further amendments to amendments Nos. 9 and 26.

Pages 14251–14258

St. Louis River Bridge: Passed, with committee amendments, H. R. 5956, to provide a method of financing the acquisition and construction by the city of Duluth of certain bridges across the St. Louis River.

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Bill Rereferred: The Committee on Post Office and Civil Service was discharged from further consideration of the bill H. R. 6284, a private bill, which was then referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Pages 14258–14259

D. C. Crime Study: Adopted H. Res. 340, to authorize the Committee on the District of Columbia to investigate and study crimes committed in the District of Columbia in recent years. This resolution also grants the power of subpena to the committee. Pages 14259–14262

Federal Employees Classification: Permission was granted to the conferees on H. R. 5931, to establish a standard schedule of rates of basic compensation for certain employees of the Federal Government, to provide an equitable system for fixing and adjusting the rates of basic compensation of individual employees,

and to repeal the Classification Act of 1923, as amended, to have until midnight, October 12, to file a conference report. Page 14262

Kentuck Drainage Project: Passed H. R. 5133, authorizing construction and maintenance work at the Kentuck drainage district. Page 14262

Laboratory Ventilation: Passed H. R. 5934, amending the Second Supplemental National Defense Appropriation Act relative to procurement cost of certain ventilating and temperature-control equipment for laboratory purposes. Pages 14262–14263

Military Installation Construction: Passed, with committee amendments, H. R. 6303, to authorize certain construction at military and naval installations. This bill authorizes $203 million of construction at installations in Alaska and Okinawa, with about $70 million going to Okinawa and about $133 million for Alaska.

H. Res. 388, the rule for consideration of H. R. 6303, was previously adopted. Pages 14263–14269

Wind Tunnel: Passed, with committee amendments, S. 1267, to promote the national defense by authorizing a unitary plan for construction of transsonic and supersonic wind-tunnel facilities and the establishment of an air engineering development center.

H. Res. 392, the rule for consideration of S. 1267, was previously adopted. Pages 14269–14273

Veto Message: Received veto message on H. R. 1019, a private bill, from the President. The message was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary and ordered printed as a House document (H. Doc. No. 362). Page 14285

Committee Meetings

NATIONAL DEFENSE

Committee on Armed Services: Commander Eugene Tatom, head of the Aviation Ordnance Branch, U. S. Navy, concluded his testimony at today's hearings in connection with national defense planning study. He was followed by Capt. J. H. Sides, Navy guided-missile expert; Rear Adm. Ralph A. Ofstie, member of the Military Liaison Committee to the Atomic Energy Commission; and Brig. Gen. Vernon E. Megee, Assistant Director of Marine Corps Aviation. The hearings recessed until 8 p. m., and the first witness scheduled for the night session was Admiral W. H. P. Blandy, Atlantic Fleet Commander, who was in charge of the Bikini bomb tests. Other witnesses at the night meeting will be Capt. A. A. Burke and Capt. J. S. Thach. Hearings on this subject will be continued again tomorrow morning.

FEDERAL SCHOOL ENROLLMENT

Committee on Education and Labor: The Bailey subcommittee continued consideration of H. R. 4115, providing for education of children residing on certain nonsupporting federally owned property and children residing in localities overburdened with increased enrollments resulting from Federal activities in the area. Testifying on this legislation were E. L. Struwe, Bureau of Reclamation; Keith Neilson, National Park Service; D. C. Anderson, Bureau of Mines; and W. T. Krummes, Fish and Wildlife Service. The agencies represented by these witnesses are all divisions of the Department of the Interior. Hearings are expected to be concluded at tomorrow morning's meeting.

UNDERDEVELOPED AREAS

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Held executive consideration of H. R. 5615, authorizing U. S. participation in a cooperative effort to assist economically underdeveloped areas of the world. Also received a favorable report from a special subcommittee on H. J. Res. 356, to authorize the President to lend to the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations funds for the construction and furnishing of a permanent headquarters.

MEDICAL EDUCATION—RADIO—AIRPORTS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Ordered the following bills reported to the House:

H. R. 5940, providing an emergency 5-year program of grants and scholarships for education in medicine, dentistry, dental hygiene, osteopathy, public health, and nursing;

S. 443, to authorize construction and equipment of a radio laboratory for the National Bureau of Standards;

S. 1282, to authorize grants under the Federal Airport Act for minor projects at major airports;

S. 2316, construction and equipment of a guided-missile research laboratory building for National Bureau of Standards;

S. 2360, to amend the Federal Airport Act to authorize appropriation for projects in the Virgin Islands; and

S. 2436, to increase by $4 million the $13 million authorization approved by Congress last year for construction of airports in Alaska.

MARINE INSURANCE

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: The Subcommittee on Maritime Affairs resumed consideration of H. R. 6061, authorizing the Maritime Commission to provide war-risk and certain marine and liability insurance. Testifying for the second time in support of the bill were the following officials of the U. S. Maritime Commission: Grenville Mellen, Vice Chairman; B. K. Ogden, Chief of Division of Insurance; and Frank P. Goertner, general counsel. Subcommittee adjourned sine die.

STRATEGIC MINERALS

Committee on Public Lands: Ordered the following bills reported to the House:

S. 1542, to authorize the withdrawal of public notices in the Yuma reclamation project; and

S. 2105, with amendments, to stimulate the exploration for strategic and critical ores, metals, and minerals.

CAPITOL POWER PLANT

Committee on Public Works: Ordered reported favorably to the House H. R. 6281, providing for certain improvements relating to the Capitol power plant, its distribution system, and the buildings and grounds served by the plant, including proposed additions.

LOBBYING

Select Committee on Lobbying Activities: Held its first informal meeting and agreed upon a tentative budget request from the House Administration Committee embodied in H. Res. 379 for $40,000. It is expected that the Committee on House Administration will act on this resolution before the close of this session. Formulation of objectives and policies will be made at later meetings of the group. Research in the fields to be investigated should be accomplished by the time that the first schedule of hearings is announced in January 1950.

This select committee is authorized and directed by H. Res. 298 to conduct a study and investigation on lobbying activities of a private and public nature.

Joint Committee Meetings

ATOMIC ENERGY

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Subcommittee, consisting of Senator McMahon and Representatives Durham and Hinshaw, met in executive session to consider suggestions for change of draft of proposed report on investigation of the administration of the AEC. Subcommittee will make its report on suggested changes to the full committee tomorrow.

EXECUTIVES' PAY RAISE

Conferees met in executive session on H. R. 1689, to increase rates of compensation of heads and assistant heads of executive departments and independent agencies, to work out differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of the bill, and agreed to file a conference report.

As agreed upon, the bill would increase pay for 253 top officials in the Federal Government, at a cost of $1,087,000 a year. The proposed legislation would set the salary of Cabinet officers at $22,500, Under Secretaries at $17,500, Assistant Secretaries and like positions at $16,000, and heads of certain agencies and bureau chiefs at $14,000 and $15,000.

GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES' PAY INCREASE

Conferees on H. R. 5931, to establish a standard schedule of rates of basic compensation for certain employees of the Federal Government, to provide an equitable system for fixing and adjusting the rates of basic compensation of individual employees, and to repeal the Classification Act of 1923, in executive session, considered the differences between the two passed versions of the bill, but failed to reach final agreement. They meet again tomorrow.

MINIMUM WAGE

Conferees continued in executive session on H. R. 5856, to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938, including an increase of the minimum wage, but failed to reach final agreement. They meet again tomorrow.

Wednesday, October 12, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed farm price support, Korean aid, and veterans' education bills, and rejected nomination of Leland Olds to FPC.

Senate committees voted to report displaced-persons bill, Finnish vessel claims, nominations, and numerous resolutions on committee expenses, investigations, and procedure.

Bills on firearms seizure, Narcotics Bureau appropriations, and liquor-tax payments approved by House committee.

Atomic Energy Committee voted to file report on AEC.

Conferees filed reports on pricing practices, forestry, civil-service State quotas, and village letter-carrier bills.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 14289–14293, 14333–14336

Bills Introduced: Eight bills were introduced, as follows: S. 2672 to S. 2679. Pages 14291, 14333, 14387

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

Progress on Hoover Commission recommendations (S. Rept. 1158);

H. R. 3480, to authorize educational use of lands granted to Kentucky by U. S. for State parks (S. Rept. 1159);

H. R. 6259, to provide for installation of a carillon in the Arlington National Cemetery in memory of World War II dead (S. Rept. 1160);

S. 1583, to provide for the establishment of the Island Beach National Monument, N. J., with amendment (S. Rept. 1161);

H. R. 6230, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain land to school district No. 5, Linn County, Oreg. (S. Rept. 1162);

H. R. 4567, to amend the Displaced Persons Act of 1948, without recommendations (S. Rept. 1163);

H. R. 5674, to extend from 20 to 30 years maturity date of bridge revenue bonds in connection with refunding operations on the Brownville, Nebr., bridge across the Missouri River (S. Rept. 1164);

H. R. 5305, to increase the retired pay of certain members of the former Lighthouse Service (S. Rept. 1165);

S. J. Res. 135, to settle the claims arising out of requisitioning of Finnish vessels by the U. S. (S. Rept. 1166).

Pages 14290–14291, 14333

Bills Referred: Three House-passed bills were referred to appropriate committees. Page 14293

Displaced Persons: S. Res. 160, to discharge Committee on the Judiciary from further consideration of H. R. 4567, to amend the Displaced Persons Act of 1948, was indefinitely postponed. Page 14333

Wind Tunnel: Conference was requested on S. 1267, to authorize construction of transsonic and supersonic wind-tunnel facilities, and the following Senators were appointed as conferees: Russell, Johnson of Texas, Hunt, Gurney, and Knowland. Page 14356

Farm Price Support: By voice vote, Senate passed with amendments H. R. 5345, to stabilize prices of agricultural commodities by providing for flexible support prices varying from 75 to 90 percent of "modern" parity, after striking out all after enacting clause and substituting therefor the language of a Senate substitute (S. 2522) as amended to which the following amendments were offered and acted on today, as follows:

Adopted: Donnell amendment to strike out section providing for one additional Assistant Secretary of Agriculture; Thomas of Oklahoma amendment authorizing Secretary of Agriculture to make available to CARE any surplus commodities; modified Taft amendment authorizing bank and cooperatives to make loans to cooperative associations for building grain storage bins; and Anderson amendment changing from 10 to 15 the percentage that county committees may reserve out of the county allotment for new farms; and

Rejected: Butler amendment requiring Secretary of Agriculture to use customary channels of trade in disposing of commodities; and, by 20 yeas to 54 nays, Williams amendment to eliminate provision establishing price support of 90 percent of parity on crop for which marketing quotas or acreage allotments are in effect following a crop for which neither was in effect. (S. 2522, a similar Senate bill, was indefinitely postponed.)

Senate insisted on its amendments and requested a conference and appointed as conferees Senators Thomas of Oklahoma, Ellender, Lucas, Anderson, Aiken, Young, and Thye.

After final action on bill, Senate rejected, by 29 yeas to 43 nays, motion by Senator Capehart to strike from the Record data on comparison of farmer income which would be expected under the following four different plans: Aiken Act, Brannan plan, Anderson bill, and Gore bill. Pages 14297–14323, 14328–14330

Hospital Construction: Senate concurred in House amendment to S. 614, to amend the Hospital Survey and Construction Act, increasing amounts of funds and defining their distribution, thus clearing the bill for the President. Pages 14293–14295

Korean Aid: S. 2319, to promote world peace by authorizing $150,000,000 financial aid to Korea, was passed by 48 yeas to 13 nays. Pages 14335–14339

Veterans' Education: S. 2596, relating to education or training of veterans under title II of the Servicemen's Readjustment Act, was passed, after adoption of committee amendment, as amended by Taft amendment, providing that members of Veterans Education Appeals Board shall be paid out of VA appropriations. Pages 14342–14349

St. Louis River Bridge: H. R. 5956, to provide a method of financing the acquisition and construction by the city of Duluth of certain bridges across the St. Louis River, was passed without amendment, clearing the bill for the President. (This bill was received from House today and placed on calendar.) S. 2002, a similar bill, was indefinitely postponed. Page 14350

Military Appropriations: Conference report on H. R. 4146, national military appropriations for 1950, was adopted and a further conference was requested on amendments reported in disagreement (involving appropriations for Air Force and stock piling of strategic materials).

The same conferees were reappointed as follows: Senators Thomas of Oklahoma, Hayden, Russell, O'Mahoney, Tydings, Gurney, Bridges, Wherry, and Cordon. Pages 14352–14355

Confirmations: Thirteen civilian nominations were confirmed, including those of five judges of U. S. Circuit Court of Appeals, and three members of Displaced Persons Commission. Page 14387

FPC Nomination: By 15 yeas to 53 nays, Senate rejected nomination of Leland Olds to be member of FPC. Pages 14357–14387

Nominations: Senate received the nominations of Mrs. Eugenie Anderson, of Minnesota, to be Ambassador to Denmark; Edward T. McCormick, of Arizona, and Donald C. Cook, of Michigan, to be members of the SEC; and Vincent C. Burke, of Kentucky, to be Deputy Postmaster General; along with two Coast Guard nominations to rank of admiral. Page 14387

Committee Meetings

FOREIGN MILITARY ASSISTANCE

Committee on Appropriations: In executive session, the committee received testimony from Under Secretary of State Webb and Secretary of Defense Johnson in support of budget estimates totaling $1,314,000,000 in direct appropriations and contract authorizations for foreign military aid. Hearings continue tomorrow.

INVESTIGATIONS

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Investigations Subcommittee met in executive session to discuss its future plans.

AUSTRIA, FINLAND, AND NOMINATIONS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Secretary of State Acheson appeared before the committee in executive session to discuss a wide area of subjects, including the progress being made on the Austrian treaty.

The committee voted to report without amendment S. J. Res. 135, to settle the claims arising out of requisitioning of Finnish vessels by the U. S.

The following nominations were voted reported favorably: James Bruce to be Director of Foreign Military Assistance, Ernest A. Gross to be U. S. deputy representative to the UN with rank of ambassador, John C. Ross to be U. S. deputy representative to the Security Council of the UN, and Jack McFall to be Assistant Secretary of State.

BUREAU OF RECLAMATION

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Continuing its hearings on the investigation of the administration of the Bureau of Reclamation, the committee received testimony from Michael W. Straus, Commissioner of the Bureau of Reclamation, as to his own qualifications and those of his appointees, as well as to the functioning of the Bureau. Hearings continue tomorrow.

COAST GUARD NOMINATIONS, AND LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Committee voted to report favorably the nominations of Merlin O'Neill to be Commandant of the Coast Guard with rank of rear admiral, Louis W. Perkins to be rear admiral in the Coast Guard, and Admiral Joseph F. Farley to be admiral on retired list.

It voted to report without amendment H. R. 5305, to increase the retired pay of certain members of the former Lighthouse Service.

DISPLACED PERSONS

Committee on the Judiciary: By vote of seven to three, the committee, in executive session, voted to report without recommendation H. R. 4567, the displaced-persons bill.

JUDICIAL NOMINATIONS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee held routine hearings on the nominations of Harry C. Westover and James M. Carter to be Federal district judges in California. Subcommittee adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

SENATE COMMITTEE EXPENDITURES, PROCEDURE, AND INVESTIGATIONS

Committee on Rules and Administration: In executive session, the committee voted to report the following five resolutions to provide additional funds for expenditures of various standing committees, as follows: S. Res. 175, $10,000 for Committee on Banking and Currency; S. Res. 176, $10,000 for Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs; S. Res. 167, $10,000 for Committee on Post Office and Civil Service; S. Res. 177, $10,000 for Committee on the Judiciary; and S. Res. 185, $10,000 for Committee on Appropriations.

The following resolutions were also reported favorably: S. Res. 158, to provide $10,000 for and authorize investigation of, by the Committee on Agriculture and Forestry, or subcommittee thereof, the current infestation in U. S. by the European corn borer; S. Res. 173, to provide $25,000 for and authorize investigation of, by the Committee on Agriculture and Forestry, or subcommittee thereof, ways and means of stimulating exports of surplus agricultural commodities; S. Res. 179, to provide $3,000 for temporary personnel for the Committee on Post Office and Civil Service; S. Res. 184, to authorize study of Nation's health problems by subcommittee of Committee on Labor and Public Welfare, and to provide $10,000 therefor; S. Res. 183, to provide funds for expenses by members of the committee attending funeral services of the late Senator Miller; S. Res. 181, to provide $1,620 for gratuity payment to Emma Shewell, widow of former Senate employee; S. Con. Res. 60, to provide $16,989 for printing Senate document, A Decade of American Foreign Policy, 1941–49; and S. Res. 180, to amend Senate rule XXV with respect to quorum of standing committees and subcommittees thereof.

Senator Withers was appointed to Subcommittee on Printing.

The committee authorized the chairman to name Darrell St. Claire as clerk of the committee. The committee also considered Senate Press Gallery rules.

PULASKI MEMORIAL

Committee on Rules and Administration: Subcommittee on Library met to consider its pending calendar business (S. 2255, to establish a National Pulaski Foundation, and S. 1895 and S. 2421, private bills, together

with other subcommittee business), but put off any action until a later date. Dr. Oscar Halecky, professor at Fordham University and University of Montreal, testified in support of S. 2255, but the subcommittee decided to hold over action on the bill to call a conference of interested persons and individuals representing involved institutions in order to get the benefit of their views.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Thursday, October 13, at 12 o'clock noon.

Committee Meetings

NATIONAL DEFENSE

Committee on Armed Services: The following naval officials testified before the full committee at its hearings on national defense planning and armed services unification: Admiral W. F. Halsey, retired; Admiral E. J. King (statement read by his aide), Capt. A. A. Burke, Admiral T. C. Kinkaid, Capt. J. C. Thach, Admiral R. L. Conolly, and Vice Adm. Robert B. Carney. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

MILITARY LANDS

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee No. 2 approved the following bills for reporting to the full committee: H. R. 5361, amended, a private bill; S. 489, to authorize the refund to the Florida Keys Aqueduct Commission of the sum advanced for certain water facilities; S. 1660, providing for the conveyance to the Franciscan Fathers of California of approximately 40 acres of land located on the Hunter-Liggett Military Reservation, Monterey County, Calif.; and S. 2290, improvements in cemetery plots at the Blue Grass Ordnance Depot, Ky.

Rear Adm. A. R. Dearing, Bureau of Medicine and Surgery, Navy Department, was heard on H. R. 5361. Senator Holland, Representative Smathers, Capt. R. H. Meade (USN), and Morton Macartney, Office of Loans, RFC, spoke on the Florida Keys Aqueduct bill. Testifying on the California land-conveyance bill was Philip W. Kelleher, Army engineers, who also was heard on the Kentucky cemetery-improvement bill. The subcommittee also considered, but took no action on, S. 621, a private bill, on which Capt. T. H. Hederman, Bureau of Personnel, Navy Department, testified. Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

FEDERAL SCHOOL ENROLLMENTS

Committee on Education and Labor: Bailey subcommittee further considered H. R. 4115, providing for education of children residing on certain nonsupporting federally owned property and localities overburdened with increased enrollment resulting from Federal activities, and heard the following witnesses: Delegate Bartlett, of Alaska; Telfair Knight and Frank E. Hickey, both of the Maritime Commission; L. L. Reece, Veterans' Administration; John Taylor Egan, Public Housing Administration; Carroll A. Towne, Everett L. Hollis, and Rawlings Ragland, all of the Atomic Energy Commission; Frank H. Spencer, Assistant Administrator, Agricultural Research Administration, Department of Agriculture; and Charles A. Logan, Agricultural Research Center, Beltsville, Md. Hearings will be continued tomorrow morning.

SHIP SUBSIDY CONTRACTS

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Approved the report of the Subcommittee on Government Operations giving the results of the study and findings from evidence presented in the public hearings before the subcommittee in July and August showing conclusively that the Maritime Commission failed to follow proper procedures as contemplated by Congress in the Merchant Marine Act of 1936, as amended, in its approval of contracts with three shipping companies.

The special report of the Comptroller General of July 11, 1949, related to the construction of six vessels at a cost to the Maritime Commission of approximately $150,000,000 and the sale of these vessels to private ship operators for approximately $70,000,000. It contained charges of maladministration and excessive expenditures of public funds, alleging "irregular procedures, inaccurate calculations, and unjustifiably liberal interpretations of statutory language," on the part of the Maritime Commission.

The conclusion of the report expresses commendation for the Comptroller General for performance of valuable service by submitting this special report which caused the congressional inquiry and urges the House Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries to further the review of the recommendations of the Comptroller General.

WORLD FEDERATION

Committee on Foreign Affairs: The following Members of the House testified at hearings on H. Con. Res. 64, and 35 similar concurrent resolutions, which would seek development of the United Nations into a world federation: Representatives Hays of Arkansas, Hale, Bennett of Florida, Boggs of Louisiana, Wadsworth, Jacobs, Noland, McKinnon, Battle, Vorys, and Carroll. Other witnesses heard on the proposed federation plan were Ely Culberson, of the Citizens Committee for Reform of the United Nations, and Jerry Voorhees, executive secretary, Cooperative League of America. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

FIREARMS—NARCOTICS—LIQUOR TAX—LOANS—TIN

Committee on Ways and Means: Ordered the following bills reported to the House:

H. R. 6212, to amend the Federal Firearms Act relating to seizure of firearms illegally transported;

H. R. 6213, to authorize reimbursement to the appropriations of the Bureau of Narcotics of moneys expended for the purchase of narcotics;

H. R. 5486, amending the Internal Revenue Code to permit additional means, including stamp machines, for payment of tax on distilled spirits;

H. R. 6073, amending the Internal Revenue Code relating to personal finance companies; and

H. R. 2585, to amend the Tariff Act of 1930 to provide for exemption from duty of certain metallic impurities in tin ores and concentrates when such impurities are not recovered.

Also voted to set up a subcommittee of seven members to study the subject of taxation of life-insurance companies.

Joint Committee Meetings

ATOMIC ENERGY

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: By vote of nine to six, in executive session, the committee voted to file its report on investigation of the administration of the Atomic Energy Commission. Committee meets again tomorrow to hear Under Secretary of State Webb.

FORESTRY

Conferees on H. R. 2296, Federal-State cooperation in forestry activities, agreed to file a conference report, the House conferees agreeing to accept the Senate-passed version of the bill.

PRICING PRACTICES

Conferees on S. 1008, to define the application of the Federal Trade Commission Act and the Clayton Act to certain pricing practices, legalizing the basing-point system in the absence of conspiracy to lessen competition, reached agreement to file a conference report.

GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES' PAY INCREASE

Conferees on H. R. 5931, to establish a standard schedule of rates of basic compensation for certain employees of the Federal Government, to provide an equitable system for fixing and adjusting the rates of basic compensation of individual employees, and to repeal the Classification Act of 1923, met in executive session to work out differences between the House- and Senate-passed versions of the bill, but failed to reach agreement. They meet again tomorrow.

CIVIL SERVICE—STATE QUOTAS

Conferees on H. R. 3826, to amend the act of January 16, 1883, an Act To Regulate and Improve the Civil Service of the U. S., to authorize the Commission to make appointments without regard to State quotas when requisite personnel within State quotas are not available, agreed to file a conference report, with the Senate conferees receding from Senate amendment with an amendment.

VILLAGE LETTER CARRIERS

Conferees on S. 1479, to abolish the village delivery service of the Post Office Department, and to transfer village carriers to the city delivery service, agreed to file a conference report, Senate conferees receding and accepting the House-passed version of the bill.

RURAL TELEPHONES

Conferees on H. R. 2960, providing for rural telephones, met in executive session to work out differences between the two passed versions of the bill, but failed to reach agreement. They adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

MINIMUM WAGE

Conferees on H. R. 5856, to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938, including an increase of the minimum wage, continued their work in executive session to work out differences between the House- and Senate-passed versions of the bill, but failed to reach final agreement. They meet again Friday.

Thursday, October 13, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate debated displaced-persons bill, passed international wheat agreement proposal, and adopted sundry resolutions.

House passed housing and wheat agreement bills and sent farm program bill to conference.

Senate committees voted to report bills on continuing appropriations, Patent Office, and immigrants.

Postal rate increase bill ordered reported by House committee.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 14386–14392

Bills Introduced: Fourteen bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2680 to S. 2693; S. Res. 187 and 188. Pages 14390–14391, 14421–14422

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. J. Res. 238, to provide the privilege of becoming a naturalized citizen of the U. S. to all immigrants having a legal right to permanent residence (S. Rept. 1167);

H. R. 627, private bill, with an amendment (S. Rept. 1168);

Report of investigation of Atomic Energy Commission (S. Rept. 1169);

S. 1739, permitting public libraries to acquire copies of records made by Patent Office upon payment of $50 for each year's records desired (S. Rept. 1170);

S. 2433, increasing from $15 to $25 the fee for Patent Office appeals (S. Rept. 1171);

S. 2328, increasing the number of examiners in the Patent Office, with amendments (S. Rept. 1172);

H. R. 3155, conveying a portion of Santa Rosa Island to Okaloosa County, Fla. (S. Rept. 1173); and

S. Res. 167, 175, 176, 177, 179, 181, 183, 184, 185, 188, S. Con. Res. 60, S. Res. 158, with amendments, and S. Res. 173, with amendment (no written reports). For titles see this Digest. Pages 14388–14390, 14421–14422

Committee Assignment: Senator Pepper was appointed as a member of the Senate District of Columbia Committee to replace the late Senator Miller. Page 14392

Displaced Persons: Senate debated H. R. 4567, to amend the Displaced Persons Act of 1948. Pages 14392, 14394–14395, 14397–14410, 14411–14418, 14421, 14426–14428

Routine Resolutions Adopted: Senate adopted the following resolutions:

Without amendment: S. Res. 167, $10,000 for additional funds for expenditures of Committee on Post Office and Civil Service; S. Res. 175, $10,000 additional for Committee on Banking and Currency; S. Res. 176, $10,000 additional for Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs; S. Res. 177, $10,000 additional for Committee on the Judiciary; S. Res. 179, $3,000 for temporary personnel for the Committee on Post Office and Civil Service; S. Res. 181, to provide $1,620 for gratuity payment to widow of former Senate employee; S. Res. 183, to provide funds for expenses by members of the committee attending funeral services of the late Senator Miller; S. Res. 184, to authorize study of Nation's health problems by subcommittee of Committee on Labor and Public Welfare, and to provide $10,000 therefor; S. Res. 185, $10,000 additional funds for expenditures of Committee on Appropriations; and S. Con. Res. 60, to provide $16,989 for printing Senate document, A Decade of American Foreign Policy, 1941–49.

With amendment: S. Res. 158, to provide $10,000 for and authorize investigation of, by the Committee on Agriculture and Forestry, or subcommittee thereof, the current infestation in U. S. by the European corn borer; and S. Res. 173, to provide $25,000 for and authorize investigation of, by the Committee on Agriculture and Forestry, or subcommittee thereof, ways and means of stimulating exports of surplus agricultural commodities. Pages 14388–14390

Civil Service: Senate adopted conference report on H. R. 3826, to amend the act of January 16, 1883, an Act To Regulate and Improve the Civil Service of the U. S., regarding State quotas. Page 14395

International Wheat Agreement: Senate passed, with committee amendments, S. 2383, proposing enabling legislation to carry out the international wheat agreement. Pages 14395–14397

Prime Minister Nehru: Senate stood in recess from 12:40 p. m. until 1:13 p. m. to hear an address by Prime Minister Jawaharlal Nehru of India. The escort committee consisted of Senators Lucas, Connally, Wherry, and Hickenlooper. Pages 14392–14394

Conference Reports: Senate adopted conference reports on the following bills:

Internal revenue: H. R. 5268, to amend certain provisions of the Internal Revenue Code including sections on farmers' return, foreign tax credit, charitable deductions by corporations, transfer of stocks between corporations and nominee, employee annuity contracts, and relinquishment of powers in case of reciprocal trust. (This action cleared the bill for the President.)

Forestry: H. R. 2296, Federal-State cooperation in forestry activities. Pages 14410–14412, 14422

Housing: Senate concurred in House amendments to S. J. Res. 134, to amend the National Housing Act by extending title I thereof to March 1, 1950, clearing the bill for the President. Pages 14418–14420

Continuing Appropriations: Senate passed with committee amendment H. J. Res. 368, to continue until January 16, 1950, appropriations for National Military Establishment pending enactment of H. R. 4146, National Military appropriations for 1950. Page 14421

Treaties Returned: S. Res. 188, providing for return to President at his request of seven miscellaneous and obsolete treaties, was adopted. Pages 14421–14422

Confirmations: Senate confirmed the nominations of James Bruce, Maryland, to be Director of Foreign Military Assistance; Jack K. McFall, of D. C., to be Assistant Secretary of State; along with two nominations to UN, and three Coast Guard nominations in the rank of admiral. Page 14429

Committee Meetings

SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Committee continued hearings on various supplemental estimates to be proposed in a second supplemental appropriation bill. Today testimony was received from officials representing the General Services Administration, Department of the Interior, and Department of Commerce, respectively, in support of various supplemental estimates for each of the agencies.

Senator Myers appeared on proposed appropriations for census of housing, and Senator O'Mahoney on proposed appropriations for the Joint Committee on the Economic Report. Hearings continue tomorrow.

CONTINUING APPROPRIATIONS—MILITARY

Committee on Appropriations: In executive session, committee voted to report with amendment H. J. Res. 368, to continue until Jan. 16, 1950, appropriations for National Military Establishment pending enactment of H. R. 4146, National Military appropriations for 1950.

LAND TRANSFER, AND NOMINATIONS

Committee on Armed Services: In executive session, committee voted to report without amendment H. R. 3155, conveying a portion of Santa Rosa Island to Okaloosa County, Fla.

Seven hundred and twenty-one routine armed-service nominations and that of Harold C. Stuart, of Oklahoma, to be Assistant Secretary of Air Force, were ordered reported favorably.

BUREAU OF RECLAMATION

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Continuing hearings on the investigation of the administration of the Bureau of Reclamation, the committee received testimony from former Secretary of Interior Ickes and Richard L. Boke, regional director of Bureau of Reclamation. Hearings continue tomorrow.

MERCHANT MARINE

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee, in executive session, concluded drafting of its report on merchant marine and fisheries, which will be made public at a later date.

PATENT OFFICE, IMMIGRANTS, AND NOMINATIONS

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee reported favorably the nominations of three Federal district judges, as follows: James M. Carter and Harry C. Westover to be Federal district judges in California, and E. W. Gibson to be Federal district judge for Vermont, after receiving a favorable subcommittee report on the last nomination.

It also voted to report S. 2328, increasing the number of examiners in the Patent Office (with amendment); S. 2433, increasing from $15 to $25 the fee for Patent Office appeals; S. 1739, permitting public libraries to acquire copies of records made by Patent Office upon payment of $50 for each year's records desired; and H. J. Res. 238, to provide the privilege of becoming a naturalized citizen of the U. S. to all immigrants having a legal right to permanent residence.

FEDERAL DISTRICT JUDGE

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee held routine hearings on the nomination of E. W. Gibson to be Federal district judge for Vermont, and later reported it to the full committee.

PRIVATE BILL

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee held hearings on S. 1027, a private bill.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Twenty-one public bills, H. R. 6388–6408; eighteen private bills, H. R. 6409–6426; and five resolutions, H. J. Res. 374, H. Con. Res. 144 and 145, H. Res. 396 and 397, were introduced. Page 14489

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. Con. Res. 128, authorizing printing of additional copies of hearings of the Committee on the Judiciary entitled "Amending the Constitution With Respect to Election of President and Vice President" (H. Rept. 1417);

H. Res. 394, providing additional compensation for an employee of the House of Representatives (H. Rept. 1418);

H. Res. 379, authorizing the expenses of the investigation and study to be conducted by the Select Committee on Lobbying Activities (H. Rept. 1419);

Conference report on S. 1479, conversion of village delivery service at second-class post offices to city letter-carrier services (H. Rept. 1420);

Conference report on H. R. 6826, amending act of January 16, 1883, to regulate and improve the civil service of the United States (H. Rept. 1421);

Conference report on S. 1008, to define the application of the Federal Trade Commission Act and the Clayton Act to certain pricing practices (H. Rept. 1422);

Fourth Intermediate Report of the Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments entitled "Inquiry Into the Operations of the Maritime Commission With Particular Reference to Allowances for National Defense Features and Construction-Differentiation Subsidies Under Title V of the Merchant Marine Act of 1936, Based on Special Report of the Comptroller General" (H. Rept. 1423);

S. 489, to authorize refund to the Florida Keys Aqueduct Commission of the sum advanced for certain water facilities (H. Rept. 1424);

S. 2290, relative to making necessary improvements in the cemetery plots at the Blue Grass Ordnance Depot, Richmond, Ky. (H. Rept. 1425);

H. J. Res. 373, relating to the sale of certain shipyard facilities at Orange, Tex. (H. Rept. 1426);

H. R. 2585, providing for exemption from duty of certain metallic impurities in tin ores and concentrates when such impurities are not recovered (H. Rept. 1427);

H. R. 6212, to amend section 5 of the Federal Firearms Act relating to seizure of firearms illegally transported (H. Rept. 1428);

H. R. 6109, granting congressional consent to a compact between Tennessee and Missouri concerning a Tennessee-Missouri Bridge Commission (H. Rept. 1429);

H. R. 6213, to authorize reimbursement to the appropriations of the Bureau of Narcotics of moneys expended for the purchase of narcotics (H. Rept. 1430);

S. 1660, a private bill (H. Rept. 1431);

S. 1232, equipment and maintenance allowance for rural carriers (H. Rept. 1432);

H. R. 5361, a private bill (H. Rept. 1433);

H. R. 6073, amending the Internal Revenue Code relating to personal finance companies (H. Rept. 1434);

Investigation into the United States Atomic Energy Commission (H. Rept. 1435);

H. Res. 395, providing for consideration of, and 1 hour of general debate on, H. R. 6281, to provide for certain improvements relating to the Capitol power plant, its distribution systems, and the buildings and grounds served by the plant (H. Rept. 1436);

Conference report on H. R. 5332, to amend section 3 of the act of June 18, 1934, relative to expanding activities within foreign trade zones (H. Rept. 1437); and

H. R. 5486, to amend certain provisions of the Internal Revenue Code to permit the use of additional means, including stamp machines, for payment of tax on distilled spirits, modify loss allowances for distilled spirits, for the transfer and redistillation of spirits (H. Rept. 1438). Pages 14488–14489

Prime Minister Nehru: The House today heard an address by Pandit Nehru, the Prime Minister of India. Representatives McCormack, Arends, Kee, and Eaton were named by the Speaker to escort the Prime Minister to the rostrum. Pages 14430–14431

President's Messages: Received veto messages on the following:

Private bills: H. R. 4563, 3252, and 683, all private bills. Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary and ordered printed as House documents (H. Docs. Nos. 369, 371, and 370, respectively). Pages 14431–14433

Fish restoration: H. R. 1746, to provide Federal aid to States in fish restoration and management projects. Referred to the Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries and ordered printed as a House document (H. Doc. No. 372). Pages 14433–14434

Also heard a message from the President relative to his approval of H. R. 6022, to increase the rates of compensation of certain employees of the Department of Medicine and Surgery of the Veterans' Administration. The message was referred to the Committee on Post Office and Civil Service and ordered printed as House document (H. Doc. No. 368). Page 14434

National Military Appropriations: Insisted on its disagreement to Senate amendments to H. R. 4146, National Military appropriation bill for 1950; agreed to a further conference; and appointed as House conferees Representatives Mahon, Sheppard, Sikes, Cannon, Engel of Michigan, and Plumley. Page 14434

Administrative Resolutions: The House today considered and adopted the following resolutions from the Committee on House Administration:

H. Con. Res. 128, authorizing printing of additional copies of hearings of the Committee on the Judiciary entitled "Amending the Constitution With Respect to Election of President and Vice President";

H. Res. 394, providing additional compensation for an employee of the House of Representatives; and

H. Res. 379, authorizing the expenses of the investigation and study to be conducted by the Select Committee on Lobbying Activities. Page 14434

Private Bills: Concurred in Senate amendments to H. R. 4414 and 1637, both private bills, thus clearing them for Presidential action. Page 14434

Farm Program: Disagreed to Senate amendments to H. R. 5345, the Agricultural Act of 1949; agreed to a conference requested by the Senate; and appointed as conferees Representatives Cooley, Pace, Poage, Grant, Hope, August H. Andresen, and Murray of Wisconsin. Page 14434

Retirement: Adopted, and cleared for the President, the conference report on H. R. 86, to amend the Civil Service Retirement Act so as to make such act applicable to the officers and employees of the Columbia Institution for the Deaf. Page 14439

Government Officials' Pay Raise: Adopted, and sent to Senate, conference report on H. R. 1689, to increase rates of compensation of the heads and assistant heads of executive departments and independent agencies. Pages 14439–14443

Internal Revenue: Adopted, and sent to Senate, conference report on H. R. 5268, to amend certain provisions of the Internal Revenue Code to remove certain inequalities or hardships in present Federal tax laws. Pages 14443–14448

D. C. Legislation: The House today considered and passed the following bills pertaining to the District of Columbia:

Common-trust funds: H. R. 3571, concerning common-trust funds and to make uniform the law with reference thereto in the District of Columbia. Adopted committee amendments.

Alcoholic beverage licenses: H. R. 5912, amending D. C. Alcoholic Beverage Control Act to permit the sale on credit of beverages not consumed on the premises where sold upon payment of a license fee of $250 per year.

Additional judges: H. R. 1370, authorizes the appointment of three additional judges of the municipal court for the District of Columbia and prescribing the qualifications of appointees. Adopted committee amendments. Pages 14448–14454

Housing: Passed, with a committee amendment, S. J. Res. 134, interim housing amendments. Rejected a section of the committee amendment designed to furnish $25 million to aid in distribution, erection, and marketing of prefabricated houses.

H. Res. 390, the rule for consideration of S. J. Res. 134, was previously adopted. Pages 14454–14462

International Wheat Agreement: Passed H. R. 6305, to give effect to the international wheat agreement signed by the United States and other countries relating to the stabilization of supplies and prices in the international wheat market. Adopted several committee amendments.

H. Res. 391, the rule for consideration of H. R. 6305, was tabled. Pages 14462–14465

Savings Insurance Premiums: Passed H. R. 6316, to amend the National Housing Act, as amended. This bill reduces the premiums paid to the Federal Savings and Loan Insurance Corporation by insured institutions from one-eighth of 1 percent to one-twelfth of 1 percent of the total amount of all accounts of the insured members of such institution. Page 14465

Credit Unions: Passed H. R. 6185, to amend the Federal Credit Union Act. This bill increases the maximum amount a member may borrow from $300 to $400 and extends the repayment period from 2 years to 3 years. Pages 14465–14466

Housing Study: Adopted H. Res. 331, authorizing the Banking and Currency Committee to make investigations into any matter in the field of housing within its jurisdiction. This resolution also grants the power of subpena to the committee. Page 14466

Wind Tunnel: Insisted on its amendments to S. 1267, to promote the national defense by authorizing a unitary plan for construction of transsonic and supersonic wind-tunnel facilities and the establishment of an air engineering development center; agreed to conference requested by the Senate; and appointed as conferees on the part of the House Representatives Durham, Sasscer, Fisher, Short, and Arends. Page 14466

Committee Meetings

NATIONAL DEFENSE

Committee on the Armed Services: The last group of naval experts were heard at today's hearings in connection with the national defense structure and armed services unification, as the committee recessed until Monday

morning of next week when it will hear representatives from other sections of the armed forces. Today's witnesses were Rear Adm. Raymond A. Spruance, retired, wartime task force commander; Rear Adm. Luis de Florenz, USNR, special devices expert; Rear Adm. Thomas B. Hill, Navy weapons evaluation specialist, who read the prepared statement of Admiral Chester W. Nimitz, former Chief of Naval Operations. The summation was made by Admiral Louis E. Denfeld, Chief of Naval Operations.

D. C. CRIME STUDY

Committee on the District of Columbia: Appointed a subcommittee to carry out the requisites of H. Res. 340, to authorize the Committee on the District of Columbia to investigate and study crimes committed in the District in recent years. The Members selected to make up this probe subcommittee were Representatives Davis of Georgia, Teague, Smith of Virginia, Bates of Massachusetts, and Simpson of Illinois.

FEDERAL SCHOOL ENROLLMENTS

Committee on Education and Labor: Bailey subcommittee continued its consideration of H. R. 4115, providing for education of children residing on certain nonsupporting federally owned property and localities overburdened with increased enrollment resulting from Federal activities. The following school superintendents were heard after the testimony of Dowell Howard, Acting State Superintendent of Education for Virginia: William E. Early, Arlington County, Va.; W. T. Woodson, Fairfax County, Va.; Irving Schmidt, Falls Church, Va.; and T. C. Williams, Alexandria, Va. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

WORLD FEDERATION

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Concluded hearings on H. Con. Res. 64, and 35 similar concurrent resolutions, which would seek development of the United Nations into a world federation. Testifying on behalf of the proposed world federation were Representative O'Hara of Illinois; former Supreme Court Justice Owen Roberts, president, Atlantic Union Committee; Alan Cranston, president, United World Federalists, Inc.; Dr. Harrison Brown, Institute of Nuclear Studies, University of Chicago; Prof. Clyde Eagleton, New York University, chairman, policy committee, Commission on the Organization of the Peace; Cord Meyer, Jr., chairman, executive committee, United World Federalists, Inc.; Thomas H. Finletter, attorney and former Chief, ECA Mission to Great Britain, and Chairman, President's Air Policy Commission; Mrs. J. L. Blair Buck, president, General Federation of Women's Clubs; J. G. Sanders, legislative representative, the National Grange; Elliott Newcomb, executive director, American Veterans of World War II; Robert Ely, attorney; and Stewart Perry, Young Democrats of the District of Columbia. Heard in opposition to the proposal were Mrs. William Leetch, National Society of New England Women; Omar Ketchum, legislative director, VFW; H. M. Griffith, National Economic Council; and Col. Oliver, past national chaplain, VFW.

LOBBYING—PRINTING AUTHORIZATION

Committee on House Administration: Ordered the following resolutions reported to the House:

H. Res. 379, authorizing the sum of $40,000 for the expenses of the investigation and study to be conducted by the Select Committee on Lobbying Activities;

H. Con. Res. 128, authorizing printing of additional copies of hearings on the Committee on the Judiciary entitled "Amending the Constitution With Respect to Election of President and Vice President"; and

H. Res. 394, providing additional compensation for an employee of the House of Representatives.

POSTAL RATES—RURAL CARRIERS

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Ordered the following two bills reported to the House:

H. R. 2945, to increase certain postal rates, amended; and

S. 1232, to increase the equipment maintenance allowance payable to rural carriers, amended.

TENNESSEE-MISSOURI BRIDGE COMMISSION

Committee on Public Works: Ordered H. R. 6109 reported to the House. This bill grants congressional consent to compact between Tennessee and Missouri concerning a Tennessee-Missouri Bridge Commission. Representative Jones of Missouri, sponsor of this bill, spoke on behalf of the legislation, and Representative Cooper, author of H. R. 6108, a similar bill, also explained the objectives of the measure.

CAPITOL POWER PLANT—HEALTH TRAINING—STRATEGIC METALS

Committee on Rules: Granted an open rule providing for 1 hour's general debate on H. R. 6281, providing for certain improvements relating to the Capitol power plant. Representatives Whittington, Dondero, and Auchincloss were heard in favor of the rule.

Also considered, but took no action on, rules for H. R. 5940, Professional Health Training Act, and S. 2105 (H. R. 5725), to stimulate the exploration for strategic and critical ores, metals, and minerals. Representatives Priest and Biemiller spoke in behalf of the health training bill and requested a rule for it, and Representatives Engle of California, Bennett of Michigan, Crawford, and Bosone all favored a rule for the strategic mineral bill. Adjourned subject to the call of the Chair.

Joint Committee Meetings

ATOMIC ENERGY

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Committee met in executive session with Secretary of State Acheson to discuss the relations between Britain, Canada, and the United States in the field of atomic energy. Committee meets tomorrow in executive session with the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

FOREIGN-TRADE ZONES

Conferees on H. R. 5332, to amend section 3 of the act of June 18, 1934, relating to the establishment of foreign-trade zones, met in executive session and agreed to file a conference report on the differences between the two passed versions.

MILITARY APPROPRIATIONS

Conferees on H. R. 4146, National Military appropriations for 1950, met to consider the differences between the House- and Senate-passed versions of the bill on items involving appropriations for Air Force and stock piling of strategic materials, but failed to reach any agreement. Adjourned subject to call.

RURAL TELEPHONES

Conferees on H. R. 2960, providing for rural telephones, met again in executive session to work out differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of the bill, but failed to reach agreement. They adjourned subject to call.

Friday, October 14, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

Executive pay-raise bill cleared for President.
Senate debated displaced-persons bill.
House passed second supplemental appropriation bill.
Bills on veterans' education and training and disability-compensation parity ordered reported by House committee.
Conferees agree to file report on minimum-wage increase bill.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 14501–14505

Bills Introduced: Thirteen bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2694 to S. 2706; S. J. Res. 136; and S. Con. Res. 67. Page 14504

Bills Reported: Report was made as follows: H. R. 6303, to authorize certain construction at military and naval installations, with amendments (S. Rept. 1174). Page 14502

Bills Referred: Three House-passed bills were referred to appropriate committees. Pages 14504–14505

Bills Placed on Calendar: The following bills were placed on the calendar: H. R. 1370, appointment of three additional judges for the municipal court of D. C., and H. R. 6185, to amend the Federal Credit Union Act. Page 14504

Sesquicentennial Commission: Senator Neely was appointed to the National Capital Sesquicentennial Commission to fill vacancy caused by resignation of Senator McGrath. Page 14534

Printing Resolution: H. Con. Res. 128, authorizing printing of additional copies of hearings before the Committee on the Judiciary on election of President and Vice President, was adopted without amendment. This completes action on the resolution. Page 14506

International Wheat Agreement: Senate passed H. R. 6305, proposing enabling legislation to carry out the international wheat agreement, after striking out all after enacting clause and substituting the text of S. 2383, a similar bill previously passed by Senate.

Senate asked for conference and appointed as conferees Senators Johnston of South Carolina, Holland, Gillette, Young, and Hickenlooper. Page 14506

Executive Pay Raise: Conference report on H. R. 1689, to increase rates of compensation of heads and assistant heads of executive departments and independent agencies, was adopted, clearing the bill for the President. Pages 14506–14507

Displaced Persons: Senate continued debate on H. R. 4567, to amend the Displaced Persons Act of 1948. Pending at recess was Eastland-Cain motion to recommit the bill to the committee with instructions to rereport it not later than January 25, 1950.

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Nominations: Fifty-one civilian, three hundred and five Marine Corps, and eighty-eight postmaster nominations were received. Pages 14584–14586

Committee Meetings

SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Continuing hearings on H. R. 6427, second supplemental appropriations for 1950, the committee received testimony from officials of the following agencies in support of proposed supplemental estimates for their respective agencies: Agriculture, Navy, Army, Air Force, and FSA.

VIVISECTION, HUMAN RIGHTS, AND BEVERAGES

Committee on the District of Columbia: Committee received its subcommittee's adverse report on S. 1703, to provide that unclaimed lawfully impounded animals in the D. C. be made available for scientific purposes.

It agreed to hold hearings on October 17, on S. 2595, to provide for the establishment of a Commission on Human Rights in the government of the D. C.

It referred to subcommittee for study H. R. 5912, amend the D. C. Alcoholic Beverage Control Act regarding sale on credit of beverages not consumed on the premises where sold.

It adopted a resolution out of respect to the late Senator Miller.

Various other bills were considered but action was deferred for further study.

BUREAU OF RECLAMATION

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Committee held further hearings on the investigation of the administration of the Bureau of Reclamation, receiving testimony from Richard L. Boke, regional director, and M. H. Davidson, Chief of Planning Division, both of the Bureau of Reclamation. Committee adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

LOCOMOTIVE INSPECTION NOMINATION

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Committee held hearings on the nomination of James E. Friend to be Assistant Director of Locomotive Inspection, ICC, receiving testimony in support thereof from William J. Patterson, Interstate Commerce Commission; Maywood Boggs, International Brotherhood of Boilermakers, Iron Ship Builders, and Helpers of America; and Eric Peterson, International Association of Machinists.

Jonas McBride, Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Enginemen, appeared in opposition to the nomination.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Twelve public bills, H. R. 6427–6438; twelve private bills, H. R. 6439–6450; and eight resolutions, H. J. Res. 375–380, H. Con. Res. 146, and H. Res. 398, were introduced. Pages 14629–14630

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. R. 6427, the second supplemental appropriation bill, 1950 (H. Rept. 1439);

Activity of the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce (pursuant to Public Law 601, 79th Cong.) (H. Rept. 1440);

Fifth Intermediate Report of the Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments entitled "The General Accounting Office—a Study of Its Functions and Operations" (H. Rept. 1441);

H. R. 6301, providing parity in disability compensation for service-connected veterans of all wars (H. Rept. 1442);

Disposition of executive papers (H. Rept. 1443);

S. 2596, relating to education or training of veterans under title II of the Servicemen's Readjustment Act (H. Rept. 1444);

H. R. 4285, amending the act of July 31, 1946, in order retroactively to advance in grade, time in grade, and compensation, certain employees in the postal field service who are veterans of World War II (H. Rept. 1445); and

Conference report on H. R. 2296, relative to Federal cooperative forestry programs (H. Rept. 1446).

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Unanimous-Consent Passages: By unanimous-consent requests the following bills were considered and passed:

Firearms: H. R. 6212, to amend section 5 of the Federal Firearms Act relating to seizure of firearms illegally transported.

Narcotics: H. R. 6213, to authorize reimbursement to the appropriations of the Bureau of Narcotics of moneys expended for the purchase of narcotics.

Alcohol tax: H. R. 5486, to amend certain provisions of the Internal Revenue Code to permit the use of additional means, including stamp machines, for payment of tax on distilled spirits, modify loss allowances for distilled spirits, for the transfer and redistillation of spirits.

Personal finance: H. R. 6073, amending the Internal Revenue Code relating to personal finance companies.

Bridge commission: H. R. 6109, granting congressional consent to a compact between Tennessee and Missouri concerning a Tennessee-Missouri Bridge Commission, with a committee amendment.

Florida Keys aqueduct: S. 489, to authorize refund to the Florida Keys Aqueduct Commission of the sum advanced for certain water facilities.

Panama Canal: S. 2226, relating to the compensation of certain employees of the Panama Canal.

Private bill: S. 76, a private bill.

Yuma reclamation: S. 1542, to authorize the withdrawal of public notices in the Yuma reclamation project.

Fort Benning Reservation: H. R. 2895, to authorize sale of select base material at Fort Benning Military Reservation to Muscogee County, Ga., for use on county roads, with committee amendment.

Shipyard facilities: H. J. Res. 373, relating to the sale by War Assets Administration of certain shipyard facilities at Orange, Tex. Pages 14586–14593, 14594–14595

Vets' Autos: Adopted, and sent to the Senate, the conference report on S. 2115, to authorize payments by the Veterans' Administration on purchase of automobiles or other conveyances by certain disabled veterans.

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Temporary Appropriations: Concurred in the Senate amendment with an amendment to H. J. Res. 368, extending until October 10, 1949, the appropriations for functions of the Government, pending approval of regular appropriation bills, all of which bills have cleared Congress except H. R. 4146, the National Military Establishment appropriation bill. The House amended the Senate amendment, which extended the period to January 16, 1950, by reducing the time to October 18, 1949. Pages 14591–14592

Second Supplemental Appropriation: Passed H. R. 6427, the second supplemental appropriation bill for 1950, after adopting an amendment allowing the purchase by the Housing and Home Finance Agency of notes issued by Alaska Housing Authority for its general overhead expenses. This bill supplies a total of $1,038,506,380 for certain supplemental and deficiency appropriations for the fiscal year 1950, which is $26,127,315 below budget estimates. The full amount of the budget estimates for the mutual defense assistance program and other national defense items amounting to $909,010,000, is provided in this bill. Pages 14596–14597

Pricing Practices: After rejecting a recommittal motion by 138 yeas to 178 nays, the House adopted the conference report, 200 yeas to 104 nays, on S. 1008, to define the application of the Federal Trade Commission Act and the Clayton Act to certain pricing practices.

Pages 14603–14617

Capitol Power Plant: Passed H. R. 6281, to provide for certain improvements relating to the Capitol power plant, its distribution systems, and the buildings and grounds served by the plant, including proposed additions. Pages 14617–14620

Conference Reports: Permission was granted to the conferees on H. R. 4495, to provide additional benefits for certain postal-service employees with respect to annual and sick leave, longevity pay, and promotion, and H. R. 5931, to establish a standard schedule of rates of basic compensation for certain employees of the Federal Government, to provide an equitable system for fixing and adjusting the rates of basic compensation of individual employees, and to repeal the Classification Act of 1923, as amended, to have until midnight, Saturday, October 15, to file conference reports. Pages 14621–14622

Postal Delivery: Adopted, and sent to Senate, conference report on S. 1479, to abolish the village delivery service in second-class post offices and to transfer village carriers in such offices to the city delivery service.

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Civil Service: Adopted and cleared for the President, conference report on H. R. 3826, to amend the act of January 16, 1883, an Act To Regulate and Improve the Civil Service of the United States. Page 14621

Veto Messages: Heard veto message from the President on H. R. 4094, a private bill. The message was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary and ordered printed as a House document (H. Doc. No. 374).

Also heard veto message on H. R. 5134, to authorize certain additional allocation costs of the Colorado-Big Thompson Federal reclamation project. The message was referred to the Committee on Public Lands and ordered printed as a House document (H. Doc. No. 375). Pages 14626–14627

Committee Meetings

FEDERAL SCHOOL ENROLLMENTS

Committee on Education and Labor: Bailey subcommittee concluded discussions on H. R. 4115, providing for education of children residing on certain nonsupporting federally owned property and localities overburdened with increased enrollment resulting from Federal activities. School officials who made up the final witnesses to be heard were Edwin W. Broome, county superintendent, Montgomery County, Md.; G. Gardner

Shugart, Prince Georges County, Md.; Charles W. Willis, Harford County Board of Education, Bel Air, Md.; and David S. Jenkins, county superintendent of schools, Annapolis, Md. Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

ELECTIONS

Committee on House Administration: Subcommittee on Elections held executive meeting on pending election cases but took no action at this time.

DISABILITY BENEFITS—VETERANS' TRAINING

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Ordered reported favorably to the House H. R. 6301, providing parity in disability compensation for service-connected veterans of all wars.

Also reported favorably S. 2596, relating to education and training under the GI bill of rights. Prior to reporting the bill the committee heard in executive session Carl R. Gray, Jr., Administrator of Veterans' Affairs, and other officials of the Veterans' Administration, and Rufus E. Miles, Bureau of the Budget.

Joint Committee Meetings

ATOMIC ENERGY

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Committee met in executive session with members of the Joint Chiefs of Staff. Committee meets again October 17.

MINIMUM WAGE

Conferees on H. R. 5856, to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938, including an increase of the minimum wage, agreed to file a conference report on the differences between the House- and Senate-passed versions. As approved by the conferees, the bill would provide a minimum of 75 cents per hour, make certain modifications in coverage in the existing law, provide for definition of regular rate of pay, and strengthen enforcement provisions.

GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES' PAY INCREASE

Conferees on H. R. 5931, to establish a standard schedule of rates of basic compensation for certain employees of the Federal Government, to provide an equitable system for fixing and adjusting the rates of basic compensation of individual employees, and to repeal the Classification Act of 1923, continued in their attempt to work out differences between the House- and Senate-passed versions, but failed to reach final agreement. They continue tomorrow.

FARM PRICE SUPPORT

Conferees on H. R. 5345, to stabilize prices of agricultural commodities by providing for flexible support prices varying from 75 to 90 percent of "modern" parity, met in executive session to work out differences between the House- and Senate-passed versions, but failed to reach final agreement. They meet again tomorrow.

Saturday, October 15, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

By vote of 36 to 30, Senate recommitted displaced-persons bill.

Conferees agreed to file reports on postal and Government employees' pay bills, and rural telephone bill.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 14631–14634, 14703–14705

Bills Introduced: Six bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 2707 to S. 2712, S. J. Res. 137. Page 14631

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. R. 6073, to amend Internal Revenue Code as it relates to personal finance companies (S. Rept. 1175);

S. 211, to amend the act to create the Inland Waterways Corporation, to increase the capital stock, and authorize appropriation of an additional $7,000,000 for paying for such subscription, with amendment (no written report). Page 14631

Bills Referred: Six House-passed bills were referred to appropriate committees. Page 14631

Bill Placed on Calendar: H. R. 6213, to authorize reimbursement to the appropriations of the Bureau of Narcotics of moneys expended for the purchase of narcotics, was placed on calendar. Page 14631

Merchant Marine: An interim report of subcommittee of Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce entitled "Merchant Marine Study and Investigation," pursuant to S. Res. 50, was ordered to be printed as S. Doc. 118. Pages 14704–14705

International Organizations: Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments was granted authority to file, during adjournment of Congress, reports of Committee on Study of Expenditures in Connection With Participation in International Organizations. Page 14631

Pay Bills: Senator Thye was excused from further service on the conference committees on H. R. 4495, postal pay increase, and H. R. 5931, Government employees' pay increase, and Senator Ecton was appointed in his place. Page 14632

Inland Waterways: Senate Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce was granted until November 1, 1949, to make written report on S. 211, to amend the act to create the Inland Waterways Corporation, to increase the capital stock, and authorize appropriation of an additional $7,000,000 for paying for such subscription. Page 14631

Senator Dworshak: Senator Henry C. Dworshak was sworn in to fill the vacancy caused by the death of late Senator Bert H. Miller. Page 14684

Displaced Persons: By vote of 36 yeas to 30 nays, Senate adopted Cain-Eastland motion to recommit H. R. 4567, to amend the Displaced Persons Act of 1948, to the Committee on the Judiciary with instructions to report it back not later than January 25, 1950. Pages 14634–14701

Pricing Practices: Conference report on S. 1008, to define application of FTC Act and Clayton Act to certain pricing practices, was made unfinished business of Senate. Pages 14702–14703

Confirmations: The nomination of Harold C. Stuart, of Oklahoma, to be Assistant Secretary of the Air Force was confirmed, along with nominations of three Federal judgeships, 421 Army, 126 Air Force, and 177 Navy. Pages 14708–14709

Nominations: Nineteen nominations to Federal judgeships were received, along with 379 Air Force nominations, and the withdrawal of 1 postmaster. Pages 14706–14708

Committee Meetings

SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Committee held further hearings on H. R. 6427, second supplemental appropriations for 1950, receiving testimony from Gen. Omar Bradley, Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff, and Maj. Gen. L. L. Lemnitzer, special assistant to the Secretary of Defense for Mutual Defense Assistance, in support of the item of $1,314,000,000 for foreign military aid. Senator McMahon testified on payment of claims to Finland; Senators Johnson of Colorado and Millikin discussed the San Luis Valley reclamation project; Postmaster General Donaldson discussed miscellaneous Post Office items; and Dan O'Brien, administrative assistant to Senator Hickenlooper, and John E. Horne, administrative assistant to Senator Sparkman, appeared in behalf of the Secretaries' Association to testify in support of pay increase for legislative employees. Committee adjourned until Monday at 2 p. m.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Monday, October 17, at 12 o'clock noon.

Committee Meetings

RIVERS AND HARBORS—FLOOD CONTROL

Committee on Public Works: Held executive session and approved three miscellaneous committee review resolutions.

Joint Committee Meetings

POSTAL PAY INCREASE

Conferees on H. R. 4495, to provide additional benefits for certain postal-service employees with respect to annual and sick leave, longevity pay, and promotion, agreed to file a conference report on the differences between the House- and Senate-passed versions of the bill.

As approved by the conferees, the bill would provide for a straight pay increase of $120 per year for postal employees and mail carriers, and 2½ cents per hour for

persons working by the hour. Fourth-class postmasters would be given a 5-percent increase of their base annual pay. The Senate conferees agreed to accept the House provisions on longevity, some with modification. House provisions on annual leave and uniform allowance were eliminated.

GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES' PAY INCREASE

Conferees on H. R. 5931, to establish a standard schedule of rates of basic compensation for certain employees of the Federal Government, to provide an equitable system for fixing and adjusting the rates of basic compensation of individual employees, and to repeal the Classification Act of 1923, in executive session, agreed to file a conference report on the differences between the House- and Senate-passed versions of the bill.

As approved by the conferees, the efficiency rating system which was embodied in title IX of the Senate-passed version was eliminated; title X, dealing with management award, as embodied in the Senate-passed version of the bill, was accepted.

A new salary schedule, ranging from $2,200 to $14,000, was agreed upon, set forth in 18 different grades, which would combine the existing system of 35 grades.

RURAL TELEPHONES

Conferees on H. R. 2960, providing for rural telephones, have agreed to file conference report on differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of the bill.

FARM PRICE SUPPORT

Conferees on H. R. 5345, to stabilize prices of agricultural commodities by providing for flexible support prices varying from 75 to 90 percent of "modern" parity, met in executive session to work out differences between the House- and Senate-passed versions, but failed to reach final agreement. They continue Monday at 9:30 a. m. in room F-82, Capitol.

Monday, October 17, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed 55 bills and resolutions on call of calendar.

House passed guided-missiles laboratory bill and adopted conference reports on Federal and postal employees' pay-raise bills.

Senate committees voted to report supplemental appropriations, and youth offenders, Federal courts, patents, and private bills.

Conferees reached agreement on military appropriations.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 14709–14711

Bills Introduced: Fifteen bills were introduced, as follows: S. 2713 to S. 2727. Pages 14710–14711

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 1747, requiring U. S. District Court for Eastern District of Michigan to sit during a part of its term at Flint, Mich. (S. Rept. 1177);

S. 2609, to provide a correctional system for youth offenders convicted in the courts of the U. S. (S. Rept. 1180);

H. R. 3793, to provide for the furnishing of quarters at Brunswick, Ga., for the U. S. District Court for the Southern District of Georgia (S. Rept. 1182);

H. R. 5191, to provide for the furnishing of quarters at Thomasville, Ga., for the U. S. District Court for the Middle District of Georgia (S. Rept. 1184);

S. 2128, modification or cancellation of certain royalty-free licenses granted the Government by private owners of patents during World War II, with amendment (S. Rept. 1189);

H. R. 4692, to extend the term of certain patents of persons who served in the armed forces of the U. S. during World War II, with amendment (S. Rept. 1190);

H. R. 4569, authorizing the transfer of Fort Des Moines, Iowa, to the State of Iowa, with amendment (S. Rept. 1191);

H. R. 6281, providing for certain improvements relating to the Capitol power plant (S. Rept. 1192);

S. 1543, to dispose of withdrawn public tracts too small to be classed as farms under the Reclamation Act (S. Rept. 1193);

H. R. 4000, to amend section 16 of Hawaiian Organic Act relative to disqualification of legislators (S. Rept. 1194);

H. R. 6427, second supplemental appropriations for 1950, with amendments (S. Rept. 1195);

H. R. 5934, amending Second Supplemental National Defense Appropriation Act relative to air-conditioning of certain Government laboratories (S. Rept. 1196);

H. J. Res. 373, relating to the sale by WAA of certain shipyard facilities at Orange, Tex. (S. Rept. 1197);

S. 1728, to prohibit discrimination in employment because of race, color, religion, or national origin, without recommendation (no written report); and

The following private bills: S. 1027, 1916, 2114, H. R. 1028, 4042, 5354, 6007, S. 1019, H. R. 219 (S. Repts. 1176, 1178, 1179, 1181, 1183, 1185–1188, respectively).

Pages 14710, 14776

Bill Referred: One House-passed bill was referred to appropriate committee. Page 14711

Antidiscrimination: Authority was granted for report or individual views to be filed on S. 1728, to prohibit discrimination in employment because of race, color, religion, or national origin, as desired by members of Senate Labor and Public Welfare Committee.

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Indians: A veto message was received on S. 1407, to promote rehabilitation of Navajo and Hopi Tribes of Indians. Pages 14784–14785

German War Plants: Senate considered, but did not take final action on, S. Res. 187, providing for review of policy of dismantling of German war plants. During the discussion of the resolution, Senator Connally made a motion to refer the resolution to the Committee on Foreign Relations, which Senator Wherry moved to lay on table. By vote of 26 yeas to 30 nays, the motion by Senator Wherry was rejected. Under the rules of the Senate, at 2 p. m., the end of the morning hour, the resolution went to the calendar with the motion to refer to committee left pending. Pages 14712–14720

Calendar Bills Passed: On call of the calendar, 55 unobjected-to bills, of which 9 were private, were passed as follows:

Without amendment and cleared for President:

Puerto Rico: H. R. 4090, to extend the benefits of section 23 of Bankhead-Jones Act, regarding agricultural extension work, to Puerto Rico;

Alaska: H. R. 212, to extend to Alaska the full benefits of the legislation pertaining to the establishment and operation of agricultural extension service programs;

Peace garden: H. R. 2369, to authorize an appropriation to complete the International Peace Garden, N. Dak.

Historic preservation: H. R. 5170, to facilitate public participation in the preservation of sites, buildings, and objects of national significance or interest and providing a national trust for historic preservation;

Hawaii: H. R. 5489, relative to session laws of Hawaii;

U. S.-Canada-Alaska railroad: H. R. 2186, construction of railroad connecting the existing U. S.-Canadian railroad with the Alaskan railroad;

D. C. Mental Health: H. R. 4749, requirements for membership on Commission on Mental Health for the D. C.;

Capitol Architect: H. J. Res. 340, to clarify the status of the Architect of the Capitol under the Federal Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949;

D. C. employees: H. J. Res. 302, to increase the compensation of certain D. C. employees so as to clarify the provisions relating to retired policemen and firemen;

D. C. property owners: H. J. Res. 337, payments to certain property owners on Eastern Avenue, D. C.;

White House: H. J. Res. 353, disposition of material removed from the Executive Mansion;

Arlington Cemetery: H. R. 6259, to provide for installation of a carillon in the Arlington National Cemetery in memory of World War II dead;

Missouri bridge bonds: H. R. 5674, to extend from 20 to 30 years maturity date of bridge revenue bonds in connection with refunding operations on the Brownville, Nebr., bridge across the Missouri River;

Lighthouse Service: H. R. 5305, to increase the retired pay of certain members of the former Lighthouse Service;

Florida land: H. R. 3155, conveying a portion of Santa Rosa Island to Okaloosa County, Fla.;

Credit Union Act: H. R. 6185, to amend the Federal Credit Union Act by increasing period of loans to members, the unsecured loan limit, and providing a 10-percent ceiling on shareholdings on required regular reserves;

D. C. judges: H. R. 1370, appointment of three additional judges for the municipal court of D. C.;

Narcotics: H. R. 6213, to authorize reimbursement to the appropriations of the Bureau of Narcotics of moneys expended for the purchase of narcotics;

Newfoundland hospital: H. J. Res. 230, authorizing the construction and presentation of a hospital to the people of St. Lawrence, Newfoundland, on behalf of the U. S. in recognition of heroic services rendered to officers and men of the U. S. Navy; and

Private bills: Seven private bills: H. R. 3718, 3300, 3816, 4789, 4059, 5105, and 5319.

With amendment, to be sent back to House:

Irrigation contracts: H. R. 5184, to approve contracts negotiated with certain irrigation districts and to authorize their execution;

Hawaii: H. R. 4966, sewer bonds for Hawaii;

Hawaii: H. R. 4967, public-park improvement bonds;

Puerto Rico and Alaska: H. R. 3699, to amend the Federal Farm Loan Act to authorize full participation by Puerto Rico and Alaska;

Hawaii: H. R. 4686, Hawaiian public-improvement bonds;

Hawaii: H. R. 4968, Hawaiian public-improvement bonds;

Hawaii: H. R. 5459, Hawaiian public-improvement bonds;

Hawaii: H. R. 5490, relative to session laws of Hawaii;

Virgin Islands: H. R. 4586, relative to Virgin Islands bonds;

Military installations: H. R. 6303, to authorize certain construction at military and naval installations;

Public land: H. R. 6230, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain land to school district No. 5, Linn County, Oreg.; and

Private bill: One private bill: H. R. 627.

Without amendment and cleared for House:

D. C. employees: S. 2365, placing under Classification Act of 1923 certain positions in the municipal government of D. C.;

Historical pageant: S. Con. Res. 63, relative to Dr. Thomas Walker bicentennial historical pageant;

Finnish vessels: S. J. Res. 135, to settle the claims arising out of requisitioning of Finnish vessels by the U. S.;

Patent Office: S. 1739, permitting public libraries to acquire copies of records made by Patent Office upon payment of $50 for each year's records desired;

Patent appeals: S. 2433, increasing from $15 to $25 the fee for Patent Office appeals;

With amendment and cleared for House:

School construction: S. 2317, authorizing grants to States to survey needs for elementary and secondary school facilities, and authorizing grants for school construction;

National cemetery: S. 2364, to use surplus Army Department-owned military real property at Fort Logan, Colo., as a national cemetery;

Mutual savings banks: S. 1175, to amend the Home Owners Loan Act of 1933 to permit Federal savings and loan associations to convert into mutual savings banks;

D. C. sludge: S. 2205, D. C. sludge removal;

Federal airport: S. 1284, amend section 6 of the Federal Airport Act to reduce the amount of funds available for grants;

Indian hospital: S. 2404, authorizing construction and improvement of Indian hospital at Albuquerque, N. Mex.;

Presidential election: S. Con. Res. 14, to create a Joint Congressional Committee To Study Presidential Election and Succession;

Island Beach Monument: S. 1583, to provide for the establishment of the Island Beach National Monument, New Jersey;

Patent examiners: S. 2328, increasing the number of examiners in the Patent Office; and

Private bill: One private bill, S. 1353.

Simple resolutions adopted:

Agricultural aircraft: S. Res. 172, favoring development of special aircraft for agricultural purposes; and

Maryland anniversary: S. Res. 106, to recognize the three hundredth anniversary of the Maryland Act of Religious Tolerance.

Other action:

Private bill: S. 73, private bill, was recommitted to Senate Committee on the Judiciary.

Bills indefinitely postponed: The following bills were indefinitely postponed: S. 2560, 2598, 333, and S. J. Res. 129.

Pages 14726–14748, 14751–14752, 14754–14756, 14763–14775, 14784

Pricing Practices: Senate debated conference report on S. 1008, to define application of FTC Act and Clayton Act to certain pricing practices.

Pages 14776–14777, 14781–14784

Nominations: Sixty-two postmaster and nine other civilian nominations were received. Pages 14786–14787

Committee Meetings

SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: In executive session, committee voted to report, with amendments, H. R. 6427, second supplemental appropriations for 1950, proposing supplementary appropriations for various departments, and $1,314,000,000 in direct appropriations and contract authorizations for foreign military aid.

D. C. HUMAN RIGHTS

Committee on the District of Columbia: Subcommittee held hearings on S. 2595, providing for establishment of a Commission on Human Rights in D. C., receiving testimony in support of the bill from the following witnesses: Mrs. John McClintock, League of Women Voters; Dr. John W. Rustin, Federation of Churches; Rabbi Isaac Frank; Taft Fieman, Greater Washington Area Council, AVC; John B. Duncan, vice president, Federation of Civic Associations; Gerhard Van Arkel, Democratic Central Committee; Alec Weinstein, B'nai B'rith; and Harry Winder.

Appearing in opposition to the bill were Mrs. Ernest Howard, Federation of Citizens' Associations, and Mrs. Bronson McIlwee, for herself.

HAWAII

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: In executive session, committee voted to report without amendment H. R. 4000, to amend section 16 of Hawaiian Organic Act relative to disqualification of legislators.

YOUTH OFFENDERS, FEDERAL COURTS, PATENTS, AND PRIVATE BILLS

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee agreed to hold over until next session action on nominations of 19 Federal judges.

It voted to report the following bills: S. 2609, to provide a correctional system for youth offenders convicted in the courts of the U. S.; S. 849, for relief of certain members of the Army Nurse Corps; S. 1747, requiring U. S. District Court for Eastern District of Michigan to sit during a part of its term at Flint, Mich.; H. R. 5191, to provide for the furnishing of quarters at Thomasville, Ga., for the U. S. District Court for the Middle District of Georgia; and H. R. 3793, to provide for the furnishing of quarters at Brunswick, Ga., for the U. S. District Court for the Southern District of Georgia.

Two general patent bills were ordered reported: S. 2128, modification or cancellation of certain royalty-free licenses granted the Government by private owners of patents during World War II, and H. R. 4692, to extend the term of certain patents of persons who served in the armed forces of the U. S. during World War II.

It voted to report five private immigration bills, as follows: S. 2114, H. R. 1028, 4042, 5354, and 6007.

Four private claims bills were ordered reported, as follows: S. 1027, 1019, 1916, and H. R. 219.

Committee voted to postpone indefinitely S. 540, extend filing date for application of patents abroad, S. 956, adjustment of royalties, etc., for use of inventions by U. S.; and S. 1854, a companion bill to H. R. 4692, a general patent bill which it voted to report.

It voted to postpone four general bills: S. 1114, similar to S. 2609 which it voted to report; S. 2280, extending time within which War Claims Commission may file its report; and S. 374 and 621, both of which are similar to H. R. 3793 which it voted to report.

Four private patent bills were indefinitely postponed, as follows: S. 1828, 2281, 2386, and 2524.

The following private claims bills were indefinitely postponed: S. 2067, 2090, 488, 319, 480, 620, 840, 1271, 1449, 1701, 1735, 1993, 2268, H. R. 1493, and 3804.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Six public bills, H. R. 6451–6456; seven private bills, H. R. 6457–6463; and four resolutions, H. J. Res. 381, H. Con. Res. 147, and H. Res. 399 and 400, were introduced. Pages 14794, 14825

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

Conference report on H. R. 5931, to establish a standard schedule of rates of basic compensation for certain employees of the Federal Government, to provide an equitable system for fixing and adjusting the rates of basic compensation of individual employees, and to repeal the Classification Act of 1923, as amended (filed on October 15) (H. Rept. 1447);

Conference report on H. R. 4495, to provide additional benefits for certain postal-service employees with respect to annual and sick leave, longevity pay, and promotion (filed on October 15) (H. Rept. 1448);

H. R. 5936, relating to construction of a hospital at Albuquerque, N. Mex., to provide facilities for treatment of Indians, amended (H. Rept. 1449);

Conference report on H. R. 2960, to amend the Rural Electrification Act to provide for rural telephones (H. Rept. 1450);

Conference report on S. 1267, to promote the national defense by authorizing a unitary plan for construction of transsonic and supersonic wind-tunnel facilities and the establishment of an air engineering development center (H. Rept. 1451); and

H. R. 2945, to readjust postal rates, amended (H. Rept. 1452). Pages 14809–14820, 14825

International Wheat Agreement: Disagreed to Senate amendment to H. R. 6305, to give effect to the international wheat agreement signed by the United States and other countries relating to the stabilization of supplies and prices in the international wheat market; agreed to a conference requested by the Senate; and appointed as conferees Representatives Spence, Brown of Georgia, Patman, Monroney, Wolcott, Gamble, and Kunkel. Pages 14786–14787

Land Conveyance: Agreed to Senate amendment to H. R. 2517, directing the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain land to Palm Beach County, Fla., thus clearing the bill for the White House. Page 14787

Consent Calendar: Passed the following bills on the call of the Consent Calendar:

Cleared for the President:

Mineral lands: S. 939, providing that certain lands withdrawn by an Executive order may be leased for exploitation of silica sand and other nonmetallic minerals only so long as such lands remain so withdrawn.

San Luis Valley: S. 1385, providing that excess-land provisions of Federal reclamation laws should not apply

to certain lands that will receive a supplemental water supply from the San Luis Valley project in Colorado.

Crow Indians: S. 1829, to transfer to the Crow Indian Tribe of Montana the title to certain buffalo.

Virgin Islands airport projects: S. 2360, to amend the Federal Airport Act to authorize appropriations for projects in the Virgin Islands.

Sent to the Senate without amendment:

Rare and precious metals: H. R. 2386, to establish and operate a rare and precious metals experiment station at Reno, Nev.

Sent to the Senate, amended:

Postal employees: S. 1825, to provide promotions for temporary employees of the mail equipment shops.

Wisconsin Indians: H. R. 2736, to subject Indians and Indian reservations in the State of Wisconsin to the laws of the State with certain exceptions.

Pages 14788–14791

Disability Compensation: Passed, with committee amendment, H. R. 6301, to provide for parity in awards of compensation for service-connected disability to veterans of all wars. Page 14794

Committee Election: Adopted H. Res. 399, electing Representative Saylor to membership on the Committee on Public Lands. Page 14794

Unanimous-Consent Passages: By unanimous-consent requests the following bills were considered and passed:

Rural carriers: S. 1232, to increase the equipment maintenance allowance payable to rural carriers.

Postal field service: H. R. 4285, amending the act of July 31, 1946, in order retroactively to advance in grade, time in grade, and compensation, certain employees in the postal field service who are veterans of World War II.

Airports: H. R. 4239, to amend section 6 of the Federal Airport Act relative to percentage of appropriated funds apportioned among the States on a population and area formula. Pages 14803–14806

Suspensions: The House voted to suspend the rules and pass the following bills:

Radio laboratory: S. 443, to authorize construction and equipment of a radio laboratory for the National Bureau of Standards.

Guided missiles: S. 2316, to authorize construction and equipment of a guided-missile research laboratory building for the National Bureau of Standards.

Pages 14805–14807

Critical Minerals: Under a motion to suspend the rules and pass S. 2105, to stimulate the exploration for strategic and critical ores, metals, and minerals, as amended, the House considered the measure, which subsequently failed to receive a sufficient majority to pass.

Pages 14794–14803

National Forests Income: Considered H. R. 2419, to provide that 10 percent of funds received from national forests should be available for expenditure by the Secretary of Agriculture for recreational purposes within such national forests, under a motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, but failed to act as the motion was withdrawn. Pages 14820–14823

Conference Reports Adopted: The House today adopted and sent to the Senate the following conference reports on—

Postal pay raise: H. R. 4495, to provide additional benefits for certain postal-service employees with respect to annual and sick leave, longevity pay, and promotion.

Federal employees' reclassification: H. R. 5931, to establish a standard schedule of rates of basic compensation for certain employees of the Federal Government, to provide an equitable system for fixing and adjusting the rates of basic compensation of individual employees, and to repeal the Classification Act of 1923, as amended.

Pages 14807–14820

Conference Reports: Permission was granted that all conferees have until midnight Monday to file conference reports. Page 14823

Committee Meetings

NATIONAL DEFENSE

Committee on Armed Services: Resumed open hearings on national defense structure and armed services unification. Today's testimony was furnished by Gen. Clifton B. Cates, Commandant, U. S. Marine Corps, and Gen. A. A. Vandegrift, former Commandant of the Marine Corps, now retired. Adjourned until tomorrow when the viewpoints of Air Force officials will be given. Air Secretary Symington is scheduled to testify.

STRATEGIC MINERALS

Committee on Public Lands: Held executive meeting to consider floor action on S. 2105, to stimulate the exploration for strategic and critical ores, metals, and minerals. This bill was reported last Tuesday and scheduled for House action today under suspension of the rules.

Joint Committee Meetings

ATOMIC ENERGY

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Committee met in executive session with AEC Chairman Lilienthal and staff to discuss a rider on the Independent Offices Appropriation Act (Public Law 266) relative to construction of AEC installations. It also received testimony

from Rear Adm. Roscoe H. Hillenkoetter, CIA. Committee meets again tomorrow in executive session.

MILITARY APPROPRIATIONS

Conferees on H. R. 4146, National Military appropriations for 1950, met in executive session and agreed to file conference report over the amendments in disagreement between the two passed versions. The report will be filed tomorrow.

FARM PRICE SUPPORT

Conferees on H. R. 5345, to stabilize prices of agricultural commodities by providing for flexible support prices varying from 75 to 90 percent of "modern" parity, stayed in session throughout the day trying to work out differences between the House- and Senate-passed versions, but failed to reach final agreement. They meet again in night session.

Tuesday, October 18, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

Both Houses cleared various bills for the President.
Senate passed supplemental appropriation bill.
Conferees agreed on farm price-support bill.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 14826–14833

Bills Introduced: Seventeen bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 2728 to S. 2744; and S. Res. 189. Page 14828

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. R. 6109, granting congressional consent to a compact between Tennessee and Missouri concerning a Tennessee-Missouri Bridge Commission (S. Rept. 1198);

S. J. Res. 133, authorizing return to Mexico of flags, etc., captured by U. S. in the Mexican War (S. Rept. 1199);

S. 849, for relief of certain members of the Army Nurse Corps, with amendments (S. Rept. 1200);

S. 2668, to amend the Independent Offices Appropriation Act for 1950 relating to construction projects of AEC, with amendment (S. Rept. 1201);

S. 2734, to promote rehabilitation of Navajo and Hopi Tribes of Indians (S. Rept. 1202);

H. R. 6301, providing parity in disability compensation for service-connected veterans of all wars (no written report); and individual views of Senator Ferguson on S. J. Res. 2, to amend Constitution regarding election of President and Vice President (pt. II of S. Rept. 602).

Pages 14827, 14859, 14886

Bills Referred: Five House-passed bills were referred to appropriate committees. Pages 14867–14868

Private Bill: Veto message on S. 377, private bill, was received and referred to Committee on the Judiciary.

Pages 14887–14888

Atomic Energy: Members of Joint Committee on Atomic Energy were granted permission to file individual views on report of investigation by that committee of the AEC. Page 14896

Pricing Practices: By voice vote, Senate adopted Douglas motion to defer until January 20, 1950, further consideration of conference report on S. 1008, to define application of FTC Act and Clayton Act to certain pricing practices, legalizing the basing-point system in the absence of conspiracy to lessen competition, after rejecting by 29 yeas to 29 nays O'Conor motion to table the Douglas motion. Pages 14834–14835

Conference Reports Adopted: Conference reports on the following bills were adopted, clearing them for the President:

Military appropriations: H. R. 4146, National Military appropriations for 1950, providing a total of $15,585,863,498;

Government employees' pay raise: H. R. 5931, to establish a standard schedule of rates of basic compensation for classified employees of the Federal Government, to provide an equitable system for fixing and adjusting the rates of basic compensation of individual employees, and to repeal the Classification Act of 1923;

Wind tunnel: S. 1267, to authorize construction of transsonic and supersonic wind-tunnel facilities;

Rural telephones: H. R. 2960, provding for rural telephones;

Wheat agreement: H. R. 6305, proposing enabling legislation to carry out the international wheat agreement;

Minimum wage: H. R. 5856, to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938, including an increase to 75 cents of the minimum wage;

Postal pay raise: H. R. 4495, to provide additional benefits for certain postal-service employees with respect to annual and sick leave, longevity pay, and promotion;

Village letter carriers: S. 1479, to abolish the village delivery service of the Post Office Department, and to transfer village carriers to the city delivery service;

Veterans' automobiles: S. 2115, to authorize payments by the VA on purchase of automobiles or other conveyances by certain disabled veterans of World Wars I and II. Pages 14849–14852, 14854–14860, 14868, 14881, 14893–14896

Indian Land: Conference report on H. J. Res. 33, purchase of certain Indian lands by U. S. from Three Affiliated Tribes of Fort Berthold Reservation, N. Dak., was adopted. Pages 14881–14882

Veterans: Senate passed and cleared for President H. R. 6301, providing parity in service-connected disability compensation for veterans of all wars. Page 14859

Postal Employees: Senate agreed to House amendments to the following bills, clearing them for the President: S. 1232, to increase the equipment maintenance allowance payable to rural carriers; and S. 1825, to provide promotion for temporary employees of the mail equipment shops. Pages 14850–14852

Supplemental Appropriations: Senate passed with amendments H. R. 6427, second supplemental appropriations for 1950. All committee amendments were adopted with the exception of the following three, which were rejected: (1) to eliminate language providing $12 million for acquisition of sites for Federal public building projects outside D. C., (2) to provide additional appropriations and contract authorizations to enable the Secretary of Air Force to establish radar air-warning system, and (3) to eliminate language providing $150,000 for survey of proposed Mississippi River Parkway.

The following amendments from the floor were adopted: McKellar amendment for an additional $6 million and contract authorization of $24 million for wind tunnels; McMahon amendment for payment of $5,500,000 to Finland for requisitioning of vessels during World War II; and Bridges amendment respecting compensation of employees of House and Senate press, radio, and periodical galleries. Bridges amendment requiring suspension of dismantling of German war plants, pending review of policy, was eliminated on McKellar point of order that it was legislation in an appropriation bill. An appeal from this ruling was, by division vote, overruled.

Conference was requested and Senators McKellar, Hayden, Russell, Bridges, and Gurney were appointed as conferees. Pages 14859–14867

FAO: S. J. Res. 128, to authorize President to lend to the FAO of the UN funds for the construction and furnishing of permanent headquarters, was passed with technical amendments. Pages 14882–14883

Farm Loans: Senate asked for a conference on H. R. 3699, to amend the Federal Farm Loan Act to authorize full participation by Puerto Rico and Alaska, and appointed as conferees Senators Holland, Ellender, Johnston of South Carolina, Hickenlooper, and Thye. Page 14868

Atomic Energy: S. 2668, to amend the Independent Offices Appropriation Act for 1950, relating to construction projects of Atomic Energy Commission, was passed with committee amendment. Pages 14883–14886

Indians: S. 2734, to promote rehabilitation of Navajo and Hopi Tribes of Indians, was passed without amendment. Pages 14886–14888

Calendar Bills Passed: On call of calendar for unobjected-to bills reported since October 17, 19 bills, of which 9 were private, were passed:

Without amendment and cleared for President:

District court: H. R. 3793, to provide for the furnishing of quarters at Brunswick, Ga., for the U. S. District Court for the Southern District of Georgia;

District court: H. R. 5191, to provide for the furnishing of quarters at Thomasville, Ga., for the U. S. District Court for the Middle District of Georgia;

Texas shipyard: H. J. Res. 373, relating to the sale by WAA of certain shipyard facilities at Orange, Tex.;

Capitol power plant: H. R. 6281, providing for certain improvements relating to the Capitol power plant;

Hawaii: H. R. 4000, to amend section 16 of Hawaiian Organic Act relative to disqualification of legislators;

Air conditioning: H. R. 5934, amending Second Supplemental National Defense Appropriation Act relative to air conditioning of certain Government laboratories; and

Private bills: Four private bills: H. R. 1028, 4042, 5354, and 6007.

With amendment, to be sent back to House:

Patents: H. R. 4692, to extend the term of certain patents of persons who served in the armed forces of the U. S. during World War II.

Without amendment and cleared for House:

District court: S. 1747, requiring U. S. District Court for Eastern District of Michigan to sit during a part of its term at Flint, Mich.;

Public land: S. 1543, to dispose of withdrawn public tracts too small to be classed as farms under the Reclamation Act; and

Private bills: Two private bills: S. 2114 and 1916.

With amendment and cleared for House:

Patents: S. 2128, modification or cancellation of certain royalty-free licenses granted the Government by private owners of patents during World War II; and

Private bills: Two private bills: S. 1019 and 1027. Pages 14888–14892

Treaty Ratified: Protocol prolonging for 1 year after August 31, 1948, the international agreement regarding regulation of production and marketing of sugar, was ratified. Page 14897

Confirmations: Senate confirmed the nomination of Vincent C. Burke, of Kentucky, to be Deputy Postmaster General, along with 2 nominations in the Coast Guard, 1 in the Coast and Geodetic Survey, and 119 postmasters. Page 14917

Nominations: The nominations of Mon C. Wallgren, of Washington, to be member of the FPC, and James M. Mead, of New York, to be a Federal Trade Commissioner, were received. Page 14917

Committee Meetings

AMBASSADOR TO DENMARK AND MEXICAN FLAG

Committee on Foreign Relations: In executive session, committee voted to report favorably the nomination of Mrs. Eugenie Anderson, of Minnesota, to be Ambassador to Denmark, as well as three routine Foreign Service nominations.

It also voted to report without amendment S. J. Res. 133, authorizing return to Mexico of flags, etc., captured by U. S. in the Mexican War.

FPC AND FTC NOMINATIONS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: By vote of 11 to 0 the committee voted to report favorably the nomination of James M. Mead, former Senator from New York, to be a member of the FTC, and by a vote of 10 to 0, the nomination of Mon C. Wallgren to be a member of the FPC.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Seventeen public bills, H. R. 6464–6480, and twenty-five private bills, H. R. 6481–6505, were introduced. Pages 14963–14964

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

Conference report on H. R. 5856, to provide for the amendment of the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 relative to minimum wage (filed on October 17) (H. Rept. 1453);

Conference report on H. R. 4146, National Military Establishment appropriation bill for 1950 (H. Rept. 1454);

Conference report on H. R. 6305, to give effect to the international wheat agreement signed by the United States and other countries relating to the stabilization of supplies and prices in the international wheat market (H. Rept. 1455);

S. Con. Res. 60, to provide $16,989 for printing Senate document, A Decade of American Foreign Policy, 1941–49 (H. Rept. 1456); and

H. J. Res. 376, to settle the claims arising out of the requisitioning of Finnish vessels by the United States (H. Rept. 1457). Pages 14925, 14963

Private Calendar: On the call of the Private Calendar the following bills were passed:

Cleared for the President: S. 509, 1560, and 1660.

Sent to the Senate, amended: H. R. 5361. Pages 14919–14920

Conference Reports Adopted: The House today adopted the following conference reports:

Returned to Senate:

Military Establishment appropriations: H. R. 4146, making appropriations for the National Military Establishment for fiscal year 1950. The Senate receded from its disagreement to the 58-group Air Force provision and a compromise of $100 million rescission from the stock-piling authorization was agreed upon in lieu of $275 million. Pages 14920–14923

Wind tunnel: S. 1267, to promote the national defense by authorizing a unitary plan for the construction of transsonic and supersonic wind-tunnel facilities and the establishment of an air engineering development center. Pages 14923–14924

Minimum wage: H. R. 5856, to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 relative to increasing the minimum wage to 75 cents per hour. Pages 14925–14943

International wheat agreement: H. R. 6305, to give effect to the international wheat agreement signed by the United States and other countries relating to the stabilization of supplies and prices in the international wheat market. Pages 15946–15947

Rural telephones: H. R. 2960, to amend the Rural Electrification Act to provide for rural telephones. Pages 14943–14946

Cleared for the President:

Forestry program: H. R. 2296, Federal-State cooperation in forestry activities. Pages 14947–14948

American Foreign Policy: Adopted S. Con. Res. 60, authorizing the printing as a Senate document, for use of Senate Committee on Foreign Relations, 1,000 copies of article entitled "A Decade of American Foreign Policy." Page 14949

D. C. Trust Funds: Passed, and returned to Senate, S. 1580, regarding common-trust funds and to make uniform the law with reference thereto in the District of Columbia, after amending the Senate bill by substituting the language of a companion House bill (H. R. 3571) for the text of S. 1580. Pages 14948–14949

Federal Farm Loans: Disagreed to Senate amendments to H. R. 3699, to amend the Federal Farm Loan Act to authorize full participation by Puerto Rico and Alaska; requested a conference with the Senate; and appointed as conferees, on the part of the House, Representatives Cooley, Pace, Poage, Hope, and August H. Andresen. Page 14944

Bills Cleared: The following bills were cleared for the President by House concurrence in Senate amendments:

Hawaii: H. R. 4966, sewer bonds for Hawaii; H. R. 4686, Hawaiian public-improvement bonds; H. R. 4968, Hawaiian public-improvement bonds; H. R. 5459, Hawaiian public-improvement bonds; H. R. 5490, relative to session laws of Hawaii; and H. R. 4967, public-park improvement bonds. Page 14952

Virgin Islands: H. R. 4586, relative to Virgin Islands bonds. Page 14953

Irrigation contracts: H. R. 5184, to approve contracts negotiated with certain irrigation districts and to authorize their execution. Pages 14944–14945

Military installations: H. R. 6303, to authorize certain construction at military and naval installations. Page 14924

Indian Hospitals: Passed, amended, S. 2404, authorizing construction and improvement of Indian hospital at Albuquerque, N. Mex. Pages 14955–14956

Cemetery Improvements: Passed, and sent to the White House, S. 2290, relating to improvements in cemetery plots at the Blue Grass Ordnance Depot, Ky. Page 14956

Federal Airport: Passed, and sent to the President, S. 1284, amending section 6 of the Federal Airport Act to reduce the amount of funds available for grants. Page 14954

Tin: Passed, with amendment, H. R. 2585, to amend the Tariff Act of 1930 to provide for exemption from duty of certain metallic impurities in tin ores and concentrates when such impurities are not recovered. Page 14956

Objected-to Bills: The following bills, called up under request for unanimous-consent consideration, were objected to:

Finnish vessels: H. J. Res. 376, authorizing appropriation of $5,500,000 for payment to the Finnish Government as compensation for Finnish ships requisitioned by this country during World War II. Page 14954

School construction: S. 2317, authorizing grants to the States to survey needs for elementary and secondary school facilities and authorizing grants for school construction. Pages 14950–14952

Veterans' training: S. 2596, relating to education and training under the GI bill of rights. Page 15953

Bills Referred: Twelve Senate-passed measures were referred to appropriate committees. Page 14963

Committee Meetings

NATIONAL DEFENSE

Committee on Armed Services: Secretary for Air Symington testified at a day-long hearing in connection with committee's study of national defense structure and armed services unification. Gen. Hoyt S. Vandenberg, Chief of Staff, U. S. Air Corps, is scheduled to testify at tomorrow's meeting on the same subject.

FINNISH VESSELS

Committee on Armed Services: Ordered reported to the House H. J. Res. 376, authorizing appropriation of $5,500,000 for payment to the Finnish Government as compensation for Finnish ships requisitioned by this country during World War II.

LIFE-INSURANCE FIRM TAXATION

Committee on Ways and Means: The Subcommittee To Study Life Insurance Taxes held executive meeting and agreed to hold informal executive conferences next week with representatives of the life-insurance industry, Treasury Department, and the staff of the Joint Committee on Internal Revenue Taxation to formulate plans for the study of the taxation of life-insurance companies.

The seven-man subcommittee selected by Representative Doughton, Chairman of the Ways and Means Committee, consists of Representatives Lynch (chairman), Gregory, Camp, Forand, Reed of New York, Simpson of Pennsylvania, and Kean.

Joint Committee Meetings

ATOMIC ENERGY

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Committee met in executive session and ordered reported favorably the nomination of Robert F. LeBaron to be chairman of the Military Liaison Committee to the Atomic Energy Commission.

Committee also discussed expansion of the Commission's construction program.

FARM PRICE SUPPORT

Conferees on H. R. 5345, to stabilize prices of agricultural commodities by providing for flexible support prices of "modern" parity, met in executive session and agreed to file a conference report on the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions. As approved by the conferees, the bill would embody primarily the Senate-passed bill with modifications, including a 90-percent parity for the first year, a flexible 80–90-percent parity the second year, and a flexible 75–90 parity thereafter.

Wednesday, October 19, 1949

HIGHLIGHTS

First session of the Eighty-first Congress adjourned sine die.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 14965–14982, 15010–15044

Bills Introduced: Twenty-one bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2745 to S. 2765; S. Res. 190 and 191. Pages 14967–14968, 15018

Bills Reported: Report of operation of ECA in France, pursuant to Public Law 472 of Eightieth Congress (S. Rept. 1203). Page 14967

Bill Referred: One House-passed bill was referred to appropriate committee. Page 14968

Bill Rereferred: S. 849, for relief of certain members of the Army Nurse Corps, heretofore reported to the calendar by the Committee on the Judiciary, was rereferred to the Committee on Armed Services.

Pages 14983–14984

Atomic Energy: Authority was granted for the printing of 50,000 copies of minority views on report by the Joint Committee on Atomic Energy on the investigation of the Atomic Energy Commission. Pages 15009–15010

Bills Cleared for President: Senate concurred in House amendments to the following bills, clearing them for the President:

Indian hospital: S. 2404, authorizing construction and improvement of Indian hospital at Albuquerque, N. Mex.; and

D. C. trust funds: S. 1580, regarding common-trust funds and to make uniform the law with reference thereto in the District.

In addition to the above, the following bill was cleared for the President, the Senate having receded from its amendments:

Commerce Department: H. R. 162, providing basic authority for certain Commerce Department functions and activities. Pages 14973–14974, 14977

Calendar Bills Passed: On call of the calendar for unobjected-to bills reported on October 18, two bills were passed, as follows:

Without amendment and cleared for President:

Tennessee-Missouri bridge: H. R. 6109, granting congressional consent to a compact between Tennessee and Missouri concerning a Tennessee-Missouri Bridge Commission.

Without amendment and cleared for House:

Mexican flags: S. J. Res. 133, authorizing return to Mexico of flags, etc., captured by U. S. in the Mexican War. Pages 14982–14983

Conference Reports Adopted: Conference report was adopted on the following bill:

Farm loans: H. R. 3699, to amend the Federal Farm Loan Act to authorize full participation by Puerto Rico and Alaska.

Conference reports were adopted on the following bills, clearing them for the President:

Farm price support: H. R. 5345, to stabilize prices of agricultural commodities by providing for flexible support prices of "modern" parity (adopted by 46 yeas to 7 nays); and

Supplemental appropriations: H. R. 6427, second supplemental appropriations for 1950.

Pages 14974, 14993–15005, 15009

Printing Resolutions: The following printing resolutions were adopted: H. Con. Res. 146, authorizing the printing of 1,000 additional copies of certain hearings held by the House Committee on Agriculture, and H. Con. Res. 147, authorizing the printing of 50,000 copies of report by Joint Committee on Atomic Energy on investigation of the AEC. Page 15009

Enrolled Bills: H. Con. Res. 149, authorizing the Speaker of the House and the Vice President to sign enrolled bills during adjournment, was adopted, as well as an order authorizing the Vice President to make certain appointments to committees or commissions authorized by law. Page 15017

Committee to Wait on President: Pursuant to terms of S. Res. 191, Chair appointed Senators Lucas and Wherry to join a like committee on the part of the House to wait upon the President and advise him that the first session of the Eighty-first Congress has completed its business. Pages 15017–15018

FPC Nomination: The nomination of Mon C. Wallgren, of Washington, to be a member of the Federal Power Commission was confirmed by 47 yeas to 12 nays. Pages 14989–14992

Confirmations: Senate confirmed the nominations of Mrs. Eugenie Anderson, of Minnesota, to be Ambassador to Denmark; James M. Mead, of New York, to be Federal Trade Commissioner; Robert L. Russell, of Georgia, and Wayne G. Borah, of Louisiana, to be judges of the U. S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit; along with 69 postmasters, 5 civilians, including 3 in the foreign Service, 379 Air Force, and 305 Marine Corps nominations. Pages 15047–15048

Nominations: One hundred and eighteen routine Army nominations were received. Page 15047

Adjournment: Senate passed H. Con. Res. 148, providing for sine die adjournment of the first session of the Eighty-first Congress. Pursuant to this resolution, the Senate adjourned at 8:11 p. m. Page 15017

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Fourteen public bills, H. R. 6506–6519; thirteen private bills, H. R. 6520–6532; and seven resolutions, H. J. Res. 382, H. Con. Res. 148 and 149, and H. Res. 401–405, were introduced.

Pages 15077, 15091, 15103–15104

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

Conference report on H. J. Res. 33, to ratify a contract for purchase of certain Indian land by the United States from the Three Affiliated Tribes of Fort Berthold Reservation, N. Dak. (H. Rept. 1458);

Conference report on H. R. 5345, Agriculture Act of 1949, to provide a permanent support program for agricultural commodities (H. Rept. 1459);

Conference report on H. R. 3699, to amend the Federal Farm Loan Act to authorize full participation by Puerto Rico and Alaska (H. Rept. 1460);

H. Res. 396, authorizing $10,000 for use by the Committee on the District of Columbia for crime study created by H. Res. 340 (H. Rept. 1461);

H. Res. 332, authorizing $25,000 for investigation conducted by the Committee on Banking and Currency under H. Res. 331, relating to housing study (H. Rept. 1462);

H. Con. Res. 146, authorizing the printing of 1,000 additional copies of certain hearings held by the House Committee on Agriculture (H. Rept. 1463);

H. Con. Res. 147, authorizing the Joint Committee on Atomic Energy to have printed 50,000 copies of Senate Report No. 1169, entitled "Investigation of the Atomic Energy Commission" (H. Rept. 1464);

H. Res. 403, to pay to the beneficiary of recently deceased House employee 6 months' pay and $350 toward defraying of funeral expenses (H. Rept. 1465);

S. 2382, to authorize construction of research laboratory for Quartermaster Corps (H. Rept. 1466);

Conference report on H. R. 6427, the second supplemental appropriation bill for 1950 (H. Rept. 1467); and

Disposal of executive papers (H. Rept. 1468).

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Conference Reports Adopted: The House today adopted the following conference reports:

Cleared for the President:

Indian lands: H. J. Res. 33, to ratify a contract for purchase of certain Indian land by the United States from the Three Affiliated Tribes of Fort Berthold Reservation, N. Dak. Page 15050

Federal farm loans: H. R. 3699, to amend the Federal Farm Loan Act to authorize full participation by Puerto Rico and Alaska. Page 15077

Sent to the Senate:

Farm program: H. R. 5345, Agriculture Act of 1949, to provide a permanent support program for agricultural commodities. Page 15055

Supplemental appropriations: H. R. 6427, making supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1950. Page 15085

Objected-to Bill: The following bill was objected to when called up for unanimous-consent consideration: S. 2734, to promote rehabilitation of Navajo and Hopi Tribes of Indians. Pages 15052–15055

Sent to Conference: The House today sent the following measures to conference:

Second supplemental appropriation: Disagreed to Senate amendments to H. R. 6427, the second supplemental appropriation bill for 1950; agreed to a conference requested by the Senate; and appointed Representatives Cannon, Kerr, Rabaut, Kirwan, Taber, and Wigglesworth conferees on the part of the House. Page 15049

Commerce Department: Disagreed to Senate amendments to H. R. 162, providing basic authority for certain Commerce Department functions and activities; requested a conference with the Senate; and appointed as conferees Representatives Priest, Sadowski, and O'Hara of Minnesota. Page 15052

Administrative Resolutions: Adopted the following resolutions which were reported from the Committee on House Administration:

H. Res. 396, authorizing $10,000 for use by the Committee on the District of Columbia for crime study created by H. Res. 340;

H. Res. 332, authorizing $25,000 for investigation conducted by the Committee on Banking and Currency under H. Res. 331, relating to housing study;

H. Con. Res. 146, authorizing the printing of 1,000 additional copies of certain hearings held by the House Committee on Agriculture;

H. Con. Res. 147, authorizing the Joint Committee on Atomic Energy to have printed 50,000 copies of Senate Report No. 1169, entitled "Investigation of the Atomic Energy Commission"; and

H. Res. 403, to pay to the beneficiary of recently deceased House employee 6 months' pay and $350 toward defraying of funeral expenses. Page 15078

Bills Cleared: The following bills were cleared for the President by House concurrence in Senate amendments:

Michigan lands: H. R. 5601, to authorize the exchange of certain lands in the State of Michigan.

Public land: H. R. 6230, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain land to school district No. 5, Linn County, Oreg. Pages 15078, 15080

Quartermaster Laboratory: Passed, and sent to the President, S. 2382, to authorize construction of research laboratory for Quartermaster Corps. Page 15079

Alaska Communications: Passed, and sent to the President, S. 1578, authorizing Secretary of the Army to proceed with construction at stations of the Alaska Communications System. Page 15079

Atomic Energy: Passed, and sent to the President, S. 2668, to amend the Independent Offices Appropriation Act for 1950, relating to construction projects of Atomic Energy Commission. Pages 15079–15080

Adjournment Resolution: Adopted H. Con. Res. 148, providing for the sine die adjournment of the first session of the Eighty-first Congress. Page 15091

Enrolled Bills: Adopted H. Con. Res. 149, authorizing the Speaker of the House and the President of the Senate to sign enrolled bills notwithstanding the adjournment of Congress. Page 15091

Legislative Program: Adopted H. Res. 404, providing for a committee to notify the President of the completion of all business before the House. Representatives Priest and Martin of Massachusetts were subsequently appointed to the committee to notify the President. Page 15091

Comptroller General Reports: Adopted H. Res. 405, providing that certain reports of the Comptroller General of the United States be printed as a House document during the second session of the Eighty-first Congress. Page 15091

Bills Referred: Ten Senate-passed measures were referred to appropriate committees. Page 15099

Adjournment: Pursuant to H. Con. Res. 148, the House of Representatives adjourned sine die at 7 p. m.

Committee Meetings

NATIONAL DEFENSE

Committee on Armed Services: Continued hearings in connection with the study and survey of the national defense structure and armed services unification. Today's testimony was furnished by Gen. Omar Bradley, Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff, and Gen. Hoyt S. Vandenberg, Chief of Staff, U. S. Air Corps. Hearings will be continued.

INVESTIGATION EXPENSES—PRINTING

Committee on House Administration: Five resolutions were approved for reporting to the House relating to expenses for committee studies, and printing authorizations. For the numbers and titles of these resolutions see the list of bills under Administrative Resolutions which were adopted in the House today.

LIFE INSURANCE FIRM TAXATION

Committee on Ways and Means: The Subcommittee on Taxation of Life Insurance at its meeting last Tuesday agreed to hold informal executive conferences next week with representatives of the life-insurance industry, Treasury Department, and the staff of the Joint Committee on Internal Revenue Taxation to formulate plans for the study of the taxation of life-insurance companies.

As stated above, these informal conferences will be of an executive nature, and not public hearings as reported in the Daily Digest of Tuesday, October 18.

LOBBYING

Select Committee on Lobbying Activities: Held executive meeting in the office of its chairman, Representative Buchanan.

Joint Committee Meetings

SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS

Conferees on H. R. 6427, second supplemental appropriations for 1950, met in executive session and agreed to file a conference report on the differences between the two passed versions. As approved by the conferees, the bill would appropriate $1,079,082,880.

Résumé of Congressional Activity

FIRST SESSION OF EIGHTY-FIRST CONGRESS

The first table gives a comprehensive résumé of all legislative business transacted by the House and Senate during the session, January 3, 1949, through October 19, 1949.

The second table accounts for all nominations submitted to the Senate by the President for Senate confirmation.

DATA ON LEGISLATIVE ACTIVITY

January 3 through October 19, 1949

	Senate	*House*	*Total*
Time in session	1,144 hrs., 53′	704 hrs., 10′	
Days in session	186	165	..
Congressional Record:			
Pages of proceedings	9,180	6,206	15,386
Appendix	..	..	7,180
Public bills enacted into law	145	295	440
Private bills enacted into law	75	278	353
Bills in conference	..	..	7
Bills through conference	..	..	72
Measures passed, total	1,201	1,362	..
Senate bills	406	214	..
House bills	563	826	..
Senate joint resolutions	25	16	..
House joint resolutions	41	49	..
Senate concurrent resolutions	36	19	..
House concurrent resolutions	21	24	..
Simple resolutions	109	214	323
Measures reported, total	*1,330	*1,358	..
Senate bills	498	172	..
House bills	588	921	..
Senate joint resolutions	32	7	..
House joint resolutions	42	55	..
Senate concurrent resolutions	38	14	..
House concurrent resolutions	22	16	..
Simple resolutions	110	173	283
Special reports	24	38	..
Conference reports	..	72	..
Reported measures not acted on	**84	**78	..
Measures introduced, total	3,160	7,467	10,627
Bills	2,765	6,532	9,297
Joint resolutions	137	382	519
Concurrent resolutions	67	149	216
Simple resolutions	191	404	595
Quorum calls	413	115	528
Yea-and-nay votes	226	121	347
Bills vetoed	..	..	32

*These figures on measures reported include all placed on calendar or acted on by Senate even if there was no accompanying report. A total of 1,203 reports has been filed in the Senate; a total of 1,468 has been filed in the House.

**This figure does not agree with the total difference between bills reported and bills passed, because resolutions and bills placed on the House Calendar without having been formally reported were not included in figures of measures reported to the House; the difference in the case of Senate figures is due to uncounted bills "laid on the table" or "indefinitely postponed."

DISPOSITION OF EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS RECEIVED FROM JANUARY 3–OCTOBER 19, 1949

Postmaster nominations, totaling 2,711, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	2,578
Withdrawn	31
Rejected	None
Unconfirmed	102
Army nominations, totaling 17,685, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	17,467
Withdrawn	None
Rejected	None
Unconfirmed	218
Air Force nominations, totaling 14,103, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	14,103
Withdrawn	None
Rejected	None
Unconfirmed	None
Navy nominations, totaling 15,731, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	15,731
Withdrawn	None
Rejected	None
Unconfirmed	None
Marine Corps nominations, totaling 2,437, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	2,437
Withdrawn	None
Rejected	None
Unconfirmed	None
Civilian nominations other than postmasters, totaling 2,644, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	2,553
Withdrawn	8
Rejected	2
Unconfirmed	81

Summary

Total nominations received	55,311
Total rejected	2
Total withdrawn	39
Total unconfirmed	401
Total confirmed	54,869

TABLE OF APPROPRIATION BILLS, EIGHTY-FIRST CONGRESS, FIRST SESSION

Bill No.	Title	Budget estimates[1]	House: Date reported	House: Amount as reported	House: Date passed	House: Amount as passed	Senate: Date reported	Senate: Amount as reported	Senate: Date passed	Senate: Amount as passed	Public law: Date approved	Public law: Amount as approved	Law No.
H. J. Res. 112	Disaster Relief	$1,000,000	Jan. 27	$500,000	Jan. 27	$500,000	Jan. 27	$500,000	Jan. 27	$500,000	Jan. 28	$500,000	3
H. J. Res. 136	Disaster Relief	500,000	Feb. 3	500,000	Feb. 3	500,000	Feb. 3	500,000	Feb. 3	500,000	Feb. 7	500,000	5
H. R. 2632	First Deficiency, 1949	562,533,148	Feb. 14	466,882,177	Feb. 16	471,895,177	Mar. 22	538,453,473	Apr. 13	542,303,473	May 24	524,649,473	71
H. R. 3082	District of Columbia, 1950	103,878,727	Mar. 1	98,923,621	Mar. 2	98,923,621	June 17	103,132,153	June 21	103,142,153	June 29	102,754,447	145
H. R. 3083	Treasury-Post Office, 1950 Treasury Post Office	3,176,266,750 1,096,594,450 2,079,672,300	Mar. 1	3,072,817,903 1,027,608,403 2,045,209,500	Mar. 3	3,072,817,903 1,027,608,403 2,045,209,500	Apr. 29	3,113,068,503 1,045,184,403 2,067,884,100	May 11	3,113,068,503 1,045,184,403 2,067,884,100	June 30	3,090,528,903 1,036,318,403 2,054,210,500	150
H. R. 3333	Labor-Federal Security, 1950 Labor FSA Related agencies	2,234,389,285 16,766,200 1,500,805,585 716,817,500	Mar. 8	2,211,794,085 16,550,000 1,478,426,585 716,817,500	Mar. 9	2,211,794,085 16,550,000 1,478,426,585 716,817,500	Apr. 14	2,396,337,265 16,766,200 1,495,901,565 883,669,500	May 17	2,409,827,265 16,766,200 1,509,391,565 883,669,500	June 29	2,387,799,885 16,766,200 1,487,364,185 883,669,500	141
H. R. 3734	Civil Functions, Army, 1950	772,458,220	Mar. 23	586,762,000	Mar. 29	593,292,270	May 10	751,440,690	May 20	751,440,690	Oct. 13	664,178,190	355
H. R. 3838	Interior, 1950	624,810,436	Mar. 28	536,211,908	Mar. 30	536,461,908	July 13	590,685,911	Aug. 25	595,262,257	Oct. 12	584,098,797	350
H. R. 3997	Agriculture, 1950	727,906,908	Apr. 4	701,122,079	Apr. 5	701,122 079	May 10	723,083,249	May 19	723,083,249	June 29	715,601,607	146
H. R. 4016	State, Justice, Commerce, 1950 State Justice Commerce Judiciary	740,362,956 285,313,756 132,566,500 301,248,500 21,234,200	Apr. 5	684,616,102 271,405,656 132,579,141 259,927,605 20,703,700	Apr. 7	684,616 102 271,405,656 132,579,141 259,927,605 20,703,700	June 1	671,782,281 260,172,456 130,971,000 259,904,105 20,734,720	June 7	671,782,281 260,172,456 130,971,000 259,904,105 20,734,720	July 20	677,972,102 265,305,656 132,663,141 259,269,105 20,734,200	179
H. R. 4046	Second Deficiency, 1949	900,699,334	Apr. 6	671,047 172	Apr. 8	671,069 672	June 1	859,675,510	June 2	862,563,510	June 23	854,838,710	119
H. R. 4146	National Military, 1950 Army Navy Air Force Other	13,248,960,700 4,604,875,700 4,403,751,000 4,033,887,000 206,447,000	Apr. 9	13,272,815,800 4,481,834,200 4,375,327,600 4,222,954,000 192,700 000	Apr. 13	13,272,815,800 4,481,834,200 4,375,327,600 4,222,954,000 192,700,000	July 22	[2]13,165,803,089 4,570,907,089 4,388,079,000 4,000,887,000 205,930,000	Aug. 29	[2]13,165,803,089 4,570,907,089 4,388,079,000 4,000,887,000 205,930,000	Oct. 29	[3]12,949,562,498 4,380,644,298 4,285,382,200 4,088,386,000 195,150,000	434
H. R. 4177	Independent Offices, 1950	8,051,343,830	Apr. 11	7,104,571,603	Apr. 14	7 103,506,553	July 8	7,636 006,873	Aug. 2	7,663,429,323	Aug. 24	7,617,739,361	266
H. J. Res. 222	Veterans Readjustment Benefits	595,890,000	Apr. 12	595,890,000	Apr. 13	595,890,000	Apr. 13	595,890,000	Apr. 14	595,890,000	Apr. 15	595,890,000	43
H. R. 4830	Foreign Aid, 1950	6,322,544,000	May 23	5,542,470,000	May 26	5,617,470,000	July 30	5,647,724,000	Aug. 8	5,647,724,000	Oct. 6	5,659,990,000	327
H. R. 5060	Legislative, 1950	73,582,184	June 8	62,200,705	June 9	62,200,705	June 14	62,262,110	June 15	62,262,110	June 22	62 262,110	118
H. R. 5300	Third Deficiency, 1949	214,730,794	June 23	127,032,243	June 24	127,032,243	Aug. 5	136,318,469	Aug. 25	193,078,469	Oct. 10	177,740,619	343
H. J. Res. 327	Insect Control	3,500,000	July 27	1,500,000	July 27	1,500,000	July 28	3,500,000	July 28	3,500,000	Aug. 8	1,750,000	215
H. R 6008	Supplemental, 1950	90,832,963	Aug. 16	75,790,521	Aug. 19	72,790,521	Sept. 20	103,591,789	Sept. 26	104,172,589	Oct 14	78,005,129	358
H. R. 6427	Second Supplemental, 1950	1,100,633,695	Oct. 14	1,038,506,380	Oct. 14	1,038,506,380	Oct. 17	1,076,511,658	Oct. 18	1,083,161,658	Oct. 28	1,079,082,880	430

[1] These estimates include any additional amounts which may have been submitted to the Senate after the bill was acted on by House Appropriations Committee.
[2] These figures include $433,968,611 to be rescinded as effected by sec. 702; the branches of the service and the amount to be rescinded from each were to be determined by the Secretary of Defense.
[3] Rescissions to be effected by sec. 702 were allocated to the various appropriations affected.

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			House	Senate	House	Senate	House	Senate	House	Senate	House	Senate	Date approved	No.
Making Jan. 20 and 21, 1949, holidays for Federal and D. C. employees in the D. C. metropolitan area.	S. J. Res. 16	Jan. 6	Jud	Jud		Jan. 13			414	225	Jan. 17	Jan. 13	Jan. 18	1
Salary increase for the President, Vice President, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives.	S. 103	Jan. 5	POCS	POCS*		Jan. 13		1	421	222	Jan. 17	Jan. 13	Jan. 19	2
Authorizing an additional appropriation of $500,000 for the President's disaster-relief fund for fiscal year 1949, for snowbound States.	H. J. Res. 112	Jan. 27	App*	App	Jan. 27	Jan. 27	7		644	582	Jan. 27	Jan. 27	Jan. 28	3
Extending time for free entry of certain articles imported to promote international good will.	H. J. Res. 88	Jan. 13	WM	Fin	Jan. 27	Jan. 31	6	27	641	678	Jan. 27	Jan. 31	Feb. 3	4
Appropriating an additional $500,000 for disaster relief.	H. J. Res. 136	Feb. 3	App*	App	Feb. 3	Feb. 3	14		809	803	Feb. 3	Feb. 3	Feb. 7	5
To continue through Sept. 30, 1949, certain authority of the President for voluntary agreements and plans as embodied in Public Law 395 of the Eightieth Congress.	S. 547 (H. R. 1660)	Jan. 18	BC	BC*	Jan. 2	Jan. 27	8	23	760	711	Feb. 2	Jan. 31	Feb. 9	6
To extend WAA until June 30, 1949	H. R. 2402 (S. 829)	Feb. 7	Exp*	Exp	Feb. 9		40		1186	1337	Feb. 14	Feb. 17	Feb. 21	7
To amend the Legislative Reorganization Act of 1946, to repeal the 1-year prohibition against the executive branch of the Government employing former professional staff members of congressional committees.	H. R. 1252	Jan. 10	HA	RAdm	Jan. 25	Feb. 10	5	54	536	1427	Jan. 25	Feb. 21	Feb. 24	8
Issuance of commemorative stamp of two hundredth anniversary of Alexandria, Va.	S. 492 (H. R. 1432)	Jan. 13	POCS	POCS	Feb. 7	Jan. 31	22	28	1441	947	Feb. 21	Feb. 8	Feb. 25	9
To increase the limit of cost of the GAO Building from $22,850,000 to $25,400,000.	S. 713 (H. R. 2626)	Jan. 31	PW	PW	Feb. 15	Feb. 7	120	37	1443	948	Feb. 21	Feb. 8	Feb. 25	10
To recommend that the existing export controls be extended until June 30, 1951.	S. 548 (H. R. 1661)	Jan. 18	BC*	BC*	Feb. 4	Feb. 4	18	31	1400	961	Feb. 17	Feb. 8	Feb. 26	11
To continue the authority of the Maritime Commission to sell, charter, and operate vessels.	H. J. Res. 92 (S. J. Res. 51)	Jan. 17	MMF*	IFC	Feb. 9	Feb. 10	60	55	1401	1549	Feb. 17	Feb. 25	Feb. 28	12
Providing for continuation of Freedom Train for 2 years.	H. J. Res. 84 (S. J. Res. 31)	Jan. 10	POCS*	POCS	Feb. 7	Feb. 17	20	71	1199	1431	Feb. 14	Feb. 21	Mar. 2	13
To retrocede jurisdiction over lands at Los Alamos to the State of New Mexico.	H. R. 54 (S. 152)	Jan. 3	PL	HA	Feb. 8	Feb. 21	31	76	1366	1557	Feb. 17	Feb. 25	Mar. 4	14
For the relief of the city and county of San Francisco.	S. 198 (H. R. 1509)	Jan. 5	Jud	Jud	Feb. 14	Feb. 14	114	66	1693	1430	Mar. 1	Feb. 21	Mar. 10	15
To remove upper age limit for appointment to commissioned grade in Supply Corps of the Navy.	S. 630	Jan. 24	AS*	AS	Feb. 16	Feb. 7	128	34	1937	948	Mar. 7	Feb. 8	Mar. 12	16
Relative to claims for damage to property deposited by enemy aliens or U. S. citizens of Japanese ancestry.	S. 29	Jan. 5	Jud	Jud	Mar. 1	Jan. 24	172	10	1940	944	Mar. 7	Feb. 8	Mar. 15	17

For the relief of certain postal employees	S. 593 (H. R. 2049)	Jan. 18	Jud	Jud	Feb. 14	Feb. 14	116	58	1937	1429	Mar. 7	Feb. 21	Mar. 15	18
Issuance of commemorative stamp for the three hundredth anniversary of Annapolis, Md.	S. J. Res. 22 (H. R. 969)	Jan. 10	POCS	POCS	Mar. 3	Jan. 27	208	20	1942	946	Mar. 7	Feb. 8	Mar. 15	19
To transfer certain property to the Secretary of the Interior.	S. 170	Jan. 5	Exp	Exp	Feb. 24	Feb. 3	162	30	1941	801	Mar. 7	Feb. 3	Mar. 17	20
Relating to pay and allowances of Naval Reserve officers performing active duty in rear-admiral grade.	S. 673	Jan. 27	AS*	AS	Feb. 16	Feb. 7	129	36	1937	949	Mar. 7	Feb. 8	Mar. 17	21
Extending an invitation to the International Olympic Committee to hold the 1956 Olympic games at Detroit.	S. J. Res. 56 (H. J. Res. 178)	Feb. 25	FA*	FR	Mar. 9	Mar. 2	240		2615	1700	Mar. 16	Mar. 2	Mar. 23	22
Electing Jerome C. Hunsaker to the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution.	H. J. Res. 89	Jan. 13	HA		Mar. 10		249		2178	2758	Mar. 10	Mar. 18	Mar. 24	23
To authorize attendance of Marine Band at GAR Encampment at Indianapolis.	H. R. 2485	Feb. 8	AS*	AS	Feb. 16	Mar. 10	131	105	1937	2774	Mar. 7	Mar. 18	Mar. 24	24
Authorizing a special contribution of $16,000,000 by the U. S. to the UN for the relief of Palestine refugees.	S. J. Res. 36	Jan. 24	FA	FR	Mar. 1	Feb. 8	174	42	2655	1426	Mar. 16	Feb. 21	Mar. 24	25
To authorize Canadian vessels to carry iron ore on the Great Lakes between the U. S. and Canadian ports during the 1949 season.	S. J. Res. 52 (H. J. Res. 143)	Feb. 10	MMF	IFC	Mar. 4	Mar. 11	209	110	2869	2775	Mar. 21	Mar. 18	Mar. 28	26
To create an additional judgeship in Georgia.	S. 271	Jan. 6	Jud	Jud	Mar. 17	Feb. 14	268	68	2870	1430	Mar. 21	Feb. 21	Mar. 29	27
Excluding cotton planted in 1949 from use in computing cotton-acreage allotments for any subsequent year.	H. R. 128	Jan 3	Agr*	Agr	Jan. 31	Feb. 7	11	38	763	948	Feb. 2	Feb. 8	Mar. 29	28
To permit fourth-class postmasters to be upgraded to third class and third-class postmasters to be downgraded to fourth class without examination.	H. R. 253 (S. 1174)	Jan. 3	POCS	POCS	Feb. 21	Mar. 11	151	109	1939	2808	Mar. 7	Mar. 21	Mar. 29	29
To establish radar air-warning and control system.	H. R. 2546	Feb. 9	AS*	AS	Feb. 24	Mar. 17	159	126	2112	2779	Mar. 9	Mar. 18	Mar. 30	30
Extension of rent control	H. R. 1731 (S. 600)	Jan. 24	BC*	BC*	Mar. 5	Mar. 17	215	127	2545	3031	Mar. 15	Mar. 23	Mar. 30	31
D. C. daylight-saving time	S. 135	Jan. 5	DC	DC	Mar. 9	Feb. 8	245	40	3293	1135	Mar. 28	Feb. 10	Mar. 31	32
To suspend certain import taxes on copper.	H. R. 2313	Feb. 3	WM	Fin*	Feb. 14	Mar. 3	117	91	1238	2785	Feb. 16	Mar. 18	Mar. 31	33
Continuing for 30 days present D. C. rent control.	H. R. 3910	Mar. 30	DC						3544	3491	Mar. 30	Mar. 30	Mar. 31	34
To continue exemption from tax on transportation of persons in foreign travel via Newfoundland.	H. J. Res. 203	Mar. 23	WM		Mar. 25		322		3287	3440	Mar. 28	Mar. 30	Mar. 31	35
To provide for an Under Secretary of Defense.	H. R. 2216	Feb. 2	AS*	AS	Feb. 17	Mar. 10	143	104	1937	2774	Mar. 7	Mar. 19	Apr. 2	36
To grant the consent of the U. S. to the Upper Colorado River Basin compact.	S. 790 (H. R. 2325)	Feb. 3	PL	HA	Mar. 21	Feb. 7	270	39	3041	2558	Mar. 23	Mar. 18	Apr. 6	37
To abolish the Regional Agricultural Credit Corporation and authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to make production-disaster loans.	H. R. 2101	Feb. 2	Agr*	Agr	Feb. 17	Mar. 1	142	89	1463	2767	Feb. 21	Mar. 18	Apr. 6	38
Authorizing disposition of certain personal property in possession of Department of Treasury, Army, Navy, or Air Force.	S. 629	Jan. 24	AS*	AS	Mar. 15	Feb. 7	265	33	3809	948	Apr. 4	Feb. 8	Apr. 14	39
To provide for a Commission on Renovation of the Executive Mansion.	H. R. 3856 (S. 1432)	Mar. 28	PW	PW	Mar. 31	Apr. 1	361	203	3822	4264	Apr. 4	Apr. 11	Apr. 14	40
To prevent retroactive checkage of payments erroneously made to certain retired Naval Reserve officers.	S. 274	Jan. 10	AS*	AS	Mar. 15	Jan. 27	265	21	3808	945	Apr. 4	Feb. 8	Apr. 14	41

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To authorize the appropriation of an additional $1½ million to provide for meeting emergency needs for crippled children for fiscal year ending June 30, 1949.	H. J. Res. 212	Apr. 1	WM	Fin	Apr. 1	Apr. 7	383	233	3900	4268	Apr. 5	Apr. 11	Apr. 15	42
Making additional appropriations totaling $595,890,000 for the VA for the fiscal year 1949.	H. J. Res. 222	Apr. 12	App*	App*	Apr. 12	Apr. 13	431	261	4497	4581	Apr. 13	Apr. 14	Apr. 15	43
To amend the Printing Act to allow the printing of extra copies of congressional hearings and other documents.	H. R. 1579	Jan. 17	HA	RAdm	Mar. 14	.....	259	.....	2421	4572	Mar. 14	Apr. 14	Apr. 19	44
Extension of D. C. rent control	H. R. 1757	Jan. 24	DC	DC	Mar. 9	Mar. 22	237	139	2874	3352	Mar. 21	Mar. 29	Apr. 19	45
To correct description of land in Pinellas County, Fla.	H. R. 1998 (S. 166)	Jan. 31	PL	IIA	Feb. 8	Apr. 7	34	237	1442	4267	Feb. 21	Apr. 11	Apr. 19	46
To amend the Economic Cooperation Act of 1948.	S. 1209 (H. R. 3748)	Mar. 8	FA*	FR*	Mar. 25	Mar. 8	323	100	4426	4148	Apr. 12	Apr. 8	Apr. 19	47
For the relief of the county of Allegheny, Pa.	H. R. 1959	Jan. 27	Jud	Jud	Feb. 14	Mar. 28	115	185	1936	4259	Mar. 7	Apr. 11	Apr. 19	48
To revise the Alaska game laws	H. R. 220	Jan. 3	PL	IIA	Mar. 1	Apr. 7	170	236	1940	4270	Mar. 7	Apr. 11	Apr. 20	49
To extend the time for use of construction reserve funds established under section 511 of the Merchant Marine Act, 1936.	H. J. Res. 186	Mar. 8	MMF	IFC	Mar. 30	Apr. 6	354	215	3820	4267	Apr. 4	Apr. 11	Apr. 20	50
Regarding processing of visa cases for admission into U. S. of alien fiancés and fiancées of GI's.	H. J. Res. 160	Feb. 14	Jud	Jud	Feb. 21	Apr. 4	150	210	1938	4267	Mar. 7	Apr. 11	Apr. 21	51
To promote construction of housing in Alaska.	S. 851 (H. R. 3615)	Feb. 7	BC	BC*	Apr. 5	Mar. 18	396	129	4392	4242	Apr. 12	Apr. 11	Apr. 23	52
To authorize a $100 per capita payment to members of Red Lake Band of Chippewa Indians from proceeds of timber sales.	H. R. 1755	Jan. 24	PL	IIA	Mar. 2	Mar. 22	199	136	1941	4246	Mar. 7	Apr. 11	Apr. 23	53
Conveying certain lands to Churntown elementary school district, California.	H. R. 164	Jan 3	PL	IIA	Feb. 8	Mar. 25	32	159	1441	4254	Feb. 21	Apr. 11	Apr. 25	54
To increase the time for presenting claims to Federal agencies or prosecuting claims in U. S. district courts under Federal Tort Claims Act.	H. R. 779 (S. 1030)	Jan. 5	Jud	Jud	Mar. 21	Mar. 21	276	135	3810	4244	Apr. 4	Apr. 11	Apr. 25	55
Omnibus bill to approve repayment contracts negotiated with 6 irrigation districts in Wyoming, Colorado, Oregon, Montana, and Washington.	H. R. 4152 (S. 1477)	Apr. 9	PL	IIA	Apr. 14	Apr. 27	448	307	5285	5314	Apr. 28	Apr. 29	May 6	56
Disposition of certain lands to Mount Hope Cemetery Association of Michigan.	H. R. 1401	Jan. 13	PL	IIA	Feb. 8	Mar. 25	33	160	1441	4254	Feb. 21	Apr. 11	May 6	57
To establish the grade of General of the Air Force.	S. 796	Feb. 7	AS*	AS	Apr. 13	Mar. 31	436	201	5442	4260	May 2	Apr. 11	May 7	58
To increase the fees of witnesses in the U. S. courts and before U. S. commissioners.	S. 635 (H. R. 1953)	Jan. 24	Jud	Jud	Apr. 13	Mar. 28	437	187	5442	4259	May 2	Apr. 11	May 10	59
To establish a long-range guided-missiles proving ground.	H. R. 1741	Jan. 24	AS*	AS	Feb. 24	Apr. 6	158	216	2116	4268	Mar. 9	Apr. 11	May 11	60
To change name of Culbertson Dam on Republican River, Nebr., to Trenton Dam.	S. 270	Jan. 6	PL	IIA	May 4	Apr. 5	506	214	5688	4267	May 5	Apr. 11	May 12	61
Making temporary appropriations available for those Federal activities for which the regular annual appropriations have not yet been provided for fiscal year 1950.	H. J. Res. 226	Apr. 14	App	App	Apr. 14	.....	453	.....	4687	5676	Apr. 14	May 5	May 12	62
To exempt artificial limbs from duty if imported for personal use and not for sale.	H. R. 3932	Mar. 31	WM	Fin	Apr. 9	Apr. 19	419	270	4293	5819	Apr. 11	May 6	May 17	63
To authorize cancellation of agreement between port of Seattle and U. S. regarding shipping facilities.	H. J. Res. 91 (S. J. Res. 32)	Jan. 13	Jud	IFC	Apr. 7	Mar. 25	406	156	5439	5838	May 2	May 6	May 17	64
To authorize sale of suburban resettlement projects known as Greenbelt, Md.; Greendale; Wis.; and Greenhills, Ohio.	H. R. 2440 (S. 351)	Feb. 7	BC*	BC*	Apr. 6	Apr. 29	402	312	4493	5834	Apr. 13	May 6	May 19	65
Approving an interstate compact and creating the Gulf States Marine Fisheries Commission.	S. J. Res. 42 (H. R. 2363)	Jan. 27	MMF	IFC	Feb. 17	Feb. 10	148	53	1838	1427	Mar. 3	Feb. 21	May 19	66
Providing that all employees of the Veterans' Canteen Service shall be paid from funds of the Service.	S. 1185	Mar. 5	VA	Fin	May 5	Mar. 24	514	155	6254	4253	May 16	Apr. 11	May 21	67
To reconvey tract of land to Helena, Mont., Chamber of Commerce now held by the VA.	S. 460	Jan. 13	VA	Fin	May 5	Jan. 31	512	26	6253	947	May 16	Feb. 8	May 23	68
Clarifying provisions of sec. 602 (u) of the National Service Life Insurance Act of 1940.	S. 461	Jan. 13	VA	Fin	May 5	Feb. 10	513	50	6253	1428	May 16	Feb. 21	May 23	69
To allow prospecting and mining without permit or charge on certain areas in the Coconino National Forest, Ariz.	S. 812 (H. R. 2872)	Feb. 7	PL	IIA	May 9	May 4	539	325	6254	5836	May 16	May 6	May 24	70
First deficiency appropriations for 1949	H. R. 2632	Feb. 14	App*	App*	Feb. 14	Mar. 22	111	138	1271	4488	Feb. 16	Apr. 13	May 24	71
To amend titles 18 and 28 of U. S. Code on criminal and judicial procedure.	H. R. 3762	Mar. 23	Jud	Jud	Mar. 30	Apr. 26	352	303	3820	5827	Apr. 4	May 6	May 24	72
To strengthen and improve the organization of the State Department.	S. 1704 (H. R. 3559)	Apr. 26	FA*	FR	May 3	Apr. 26	500	304	6153	5830	May 12	May 6	May 26	73
Providing for designation by President of Memorial Day 1949 as national day of prayer for peace.	S. J. Res. 61	Mar. 16	.....	Jud	.....	May 11	.....	365	6580	6468	May 20	May 19	May 26	74
Extending time for filing of war claims	S. 326	Jan. 10	IFC*	Jud	May 3	Mar. 21	496	131	6252	4246	May 16	Apr. 11	May 27	75
To provide additional D. C. revenue by levying a tax on gross sales and increasing rates on various existing taxes.	H. R. 3704	Mar. 22	DC	DC*	Mar. 24	Apr. 12	315	260	3400	6222	Mar. 29	May 16	May 27	76
To add lands to Abraham Lincoln National Historical Park, Ky.	H. R. 3259	Mar. 7	PL	IIA	Mar. 23	May 17	309	393	3811	6615	Apr. 4	May 23	May 27	77
To authorize National Capital Sesquicentennial Commission to proceed with plans for celebration of the one hundred and fiftieth anniversary of the establishment of the U. S. Capital in D. C.	H. J. Res. 200	Mar. 22	HA	DC	Apr. 14	May 12	445	369	4634	6607	Apr. 14	May 23	May 31	78
To include certain lands in Carson National Forest, N. Mex.	H. R. 55	Jan. 3	PL	IIA	Mar. 22	May 17	305	397	3811	6617	Apr. 4	May 23	May 31	79
To allow for 1-year extension for disposition of farm-labor camps.	H. R. 2906	Feb. 21	Agr*	Agr	Apr. 26	May 17	481	395	5447	6616	May 2	May 23	May 31	80
To amend the law relating to timber operations on the Menominee Indian Reservation in Wisconsin.	H. R. 3396 (S. 1448)	Mar. 9	PL	IIA	Mar. 24	May 17	314	400	3811	6618	Apr. 4	May 23	May 31	81
To grant consent of U. S. to Arkansas River compact.	H. R. 4151 (S. 1448)	Apr. 9	PL*	IIA*	May 9	May 11	543	363	6257	6605	May 16	May 23	May 31	82
Granting congressional consent to States of Montana, North Dakota, and Wyoming to enter a compact for division of waters of the Yellowstone River.	H. R. 2566	Feb. 9	PL	IIA	Apr. 27	May 17	488	391	5448	6615	May 2	May 23	June 2	83

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To amend the U. S. Code with respect to relaxation of provisions governing copyright of foreign works.	H. R. 2285	Feb. 3	Jud*	Jud	Mar. 9	May 16	238	375	3808	6611	Apr. 4	May 23	June 3	84
To amend comprehensively the Commodity Credit Corporation charter.	S. 900 (H. R. 2682)	Feb. 10	BC*	Agr*	Apr. 9	Mar. 16	418	125	6074	4993	May 11	Apr. 25	June 7	85
For the relief of the city of El Paso, Tex.	H. R. 967	June 6	Jud	Jud	Feb. 14	May 16	113	384	1442	6612	Feb. 21	May 23	June 7	86
To establish the St. Croix Island National Monument, Maine.	H. R. 1357 (S. 292)	Jan. 13	PL	IIA	Mar. 14	Apr. 20	262	274	2870	7006	Mar. 21	May 31	June 8	87
To authorize the attendance of the Marine Band at Little Rock, Ark.	H. R. 3341	Mar. 8	AS*	AS	Apr. 27	May 26	487	426	5448	7131	May 2	June 2	June 8	88
To authorize the exchange of certain fishery facilities within the State of Washington.	H. R. 1222	Jan. 10	MMF	IFC	Mar. 25	May 25	320	419	3812	7127	Apr. 4	June 2	June 8	89
Authorizing the President to proclaim the week in which June 6, 1949, occurs as Patrick Henry Week.	S. J. Res. 12	Jan. 5	Jud	Jud	May 24	Mar. 16	667	119	7274	2776	June 6	Mar. 18	June 8	90
To grant the consent of Congress to compact between New Mexico and Texas to waters of Pecos River.	H. R. 3334 (S. 1309)	Mar. 8	PL	IIA	May 9	May 20	541	409	6423	6600	May 18	May 23	June 9	91
To regulate subsistence expenses and mileage allowances of civilian officers and employees of the Government.	H. R. 3005	Feb. 24	Exp*	Exp	Apr. 5	May 27	389	428	5992	7131	May 10	June 2	June 9	92
To settle claims of employees of Federal penal and correctional institutions for damage or loss of personal property incident to their service.	S. 30	Jan. 5	Jud	Jud	May 18	Feb. 21	610	75	7272	2763	June 6	Mar. 18	June 10	93
To allow prospecting and mining without permit or charge on certain areas in the Sante Fe National Forest, N. Mex.	S. 353	Jan. 13	PL	IIA	May 31	May 4	712	324	7280	5835	June 6	May 6	June 10	94
To amend the Agricultural Act of 1948 with respect to Maryland and cigar-leaf tobacco.	S. 715	Jan. 31	Agr*	Agr	May 23	May 5	656	332	7274	5837	June 6	May 6	June 10	95
Appointment of officers of the Philippine Scouts in the Regular Army.	S. 1181	Mar. 4	AS*	AS	May 18	Mar. 31	618	202	7270	4260	June 6	Apr. 11	June 10	96
Authorizing Secretary of Army to convey a portion of the Charleston Army Base Terminal to the city of Charleston, S.C.	S. 1219	Mar. 10	AS*	AS	May 18	Mar. 10	619	103	7270	2773	June 6	Mar. 18	June 10	97
To enable certain former employees of the U. S. to elect return of civil-service retirement contributions plus interest in lieu of annuities.	S. 1229 (H. R. 2020)	Mar. 11	POCS	POCS	May 23	Apr. 14	654	268	7273	5818	June 6	May 6	June 10	98
To provide for more effective conservation in the arid and semiarid areas of the U. S.	H. R. 3181	Mar. 3	Agr*	IIA	Apr. 26	May 17	479	392	5450	7137	May 2	June 2	June 10	99
To authorize transfer of tract of land in the Robinson Remount Station to Crawford, Nebr.	S. 314 (H. R. 1242)	Jan. 10	Agr*	Agr	May 19	Mar. 8	632	98	7273	6599	June 6	May 23	June 13	100
To provide for conveyance by the U. S. to the city of Marfa, Tex., of certain lands.	H. R. 1158	Jan. 7	Exp	Exp	Apr. 7	May 27	407	429	5446	7132	May 2	June 2	June 13	101
To authorize the furnishing of water to the Yuma auxiliary project, Arizona, through the works of the Gila project.	S. 690	Jan. 27	PL	IIA	May 11	Apr. 8	568	241	7267	4274	June 6	Apr. 11	June 13	102

Regarding enlisted personnel employed in aviation tactical units of the armed services.	S. 1270	Mar. 16	AS*	AS	May 18	Mar. 31	620	200	7270	4263	June 6	Apr. 11	June 13	103
Relating to pay and allowances of Navy officers appointed to permanent grades.	S. 779	Feb. 3	AS*	AS	May 18	Mar. 4	626	93	7272	2769	June 6	Mar. 18	June 13	104
Providing for acquisition of sites and preparation of plans for Federal public buildings outside D. C.	S. 714 (H. R. 3662)	Jan. 31	PW*	PW*	Mar. 23	Feb. 28	310	87	6689	2783	May 23	Mar. 18	June 16	105
Authorizing Agriculture Department to carry out operations to combat the citrus blackfly, white-fringed beetle, and the Hall scale.	H. R. 4263 (S. 1749)	Apr. 14	Agr*	Agr	May 20	May 19	645	408	7273	7540	June 6	June 10	June 17	106
To provide for the suspension of annual assessment work on mining claims held by location in the U. S.	H. R. 1754	Jan. 24	PL	IIA	Apr. 14	May 19	446	404	5442	6699	May 2	May 24	June 17	107
To provide benefits for members of Reserve components of the armed forces who suffer disability or death from injuries incurred while engaged in active-duty training for periods less than 30 days or while engaged in inactive-duty training.	S. 213	Jan. 5	AS*	AS*	May 16	Mar. 5	582	95	7269	4238	June 6	Apr. 11	June 20	108
Reorganization Act of 1949	H. R. 2361 (S. 526)	Feb. 7	Exp	Exp*	Feb. 7	Apr. 7	23	232	923	6231	Feb. 7	May 16	June 20	109
To provide for administration of Central Intelligence Agency.	H. R. 2663	Feb. 14	AS*	AS	Feb. 24	Mar. 10	160	106	1948	6956	Mar. 7	May 27	June 20	110
Payment of temporary maintenance in D. C. alimony cases.	S. 1125	Feb. 28	DC	DC	June 7	Mar. 23	737	142	7612	4248	June 13	Apr. 11	June 20	111
Attorney appointed to defend uncontested D. C. annulments.	S. 1133	Feb. 28	DC	DC	June 7	Mar. 23	742	146	7613	4249	June 13	Apr. 11	June 20	112
Publication of D. C. annulment actions	S. 1134	Feb. 28	DC	DC	June 7	Mar. 23	743	151	7612	4250	June 13	Apr. 11	June 20	113
Appointment of an additional judge for the D. C. juvenile court.	S. 1557	Apr. 11	DC	DC	June 9	May 12	777	367	7615	6509	June 13	May 23	June 20	114
Providing for temporary deferment in certain unavoidable contingencies of annual assessment work on mining claims held by location in the U. S.	H. R. 3754	Mar. 23	PL	IIA	Apr. 27	May 19	489	405	5448	7136	May 2	June 2	June 21	115
Nomenclature and practice prescribed by the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure.	S. 1129	Feb. 28	DC	DC	June 7	Mar. 23	739	144	7613	4249	June 13	Apr. 11	June 21	116
To authorize sale of certain public lands in Alaska to the Alaska Council of Boy Scouts of America.	H. R. 1337	Jan. 13	PL	IIA	Mar. 1	May 17	171	401	1940	6618	Mar. 7	May 23	June 21	117
Legislative appropriations for 1950	H. R. 5060	June 8	App*	App*	June 8	June 15	763	502	7522	7704	June 9	June 15	June 22	118
Second deficiency appropriations for 1949.	H. R. 4046	Apr. 6	App*	App*	Apr. 6	June 1	401	432	4181	7160	Apr. 8	June 2	June 23	119
To print the monthly publication entitled "Economic Indicators."	S. J. Res. 55	Feb. 17	HA	RAdm	June 15	May 2	840	314	7776	5834	June 15	May 6	June 23	120
Relating to telephone and telegraph service and clerk hire for Members of the House of Representatives.	H. R. 4583	May 9	HA	RAdm	May 12	May 31	577	.....	6140	7001	May 12	May 31	June 23	121
Authorizing the transfer to the U. S. section, International Boundary and Waterway Commission, of a portion of Fort Brown, at Brownsville, Tex.	H. R. 1338	Jan. 13	Exp	Exp	Apr. 7	May 27	408	430	5446	7132	May 2	June 2	June 23	122
To amend the Civil Service Retirement Act so as to grant credit for service for which through inadvertance no deductions from salary are made.	S. 1023 (H. R. 3338)	Feb. 21	POCS	POCS	May 20	Apr. 14	646	267	7943	5818	June 20	May 6	June 24	123
Notice to be given upon a petition for probate of a D. C. will.	S. 1127	Feb. 28	DC	DC	June 7	Mar. 23	738	143	7612	4248	June 13	Apr. 11	June 24	124
Settlement of D. C. decedent's estates at election of personal representative.	S. 1131	Feb. 28	DC	DC	June 7	Mar. 23	740	150	7613	4250	June 13	Apr. 11	June 24	125
Time within which caveat may be filed to a D. C. will.	S. 1132	Feb. 28	DC	DC	June 7	Mar. 23	741	145	7613	4249	June 13	Apr. 11	June 24	126

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Family allowance and simplified procedure in settlement of small D. C. estates.	S. 1135	Feb. 28	DC	DC	June 7	Mar. 23	744	147	7614	4251	June 13	Apr. 11	June 24	127
To amend act of May 22, 1928, authorizing national survey of forest resources by increasing appropriations for that purpose.	S. 979 (H. R. 2001)	Feb. 17	Agr*	Agr	Apr. 14	Mar. 4	451	94	7965	2770	June 20	Mar. 18	June 25	128
To grant congressional consent and approval to interstate forest-fire-protection compact.	S. 1659 (H. R. 4535)	Apr. 20	Agr*	Agr	June 2	May 17	721	396	7946	6616	June 20	May 23	June 25	129
Easement for public highway and water pipe line in vicinity of naval air base at Santa Ana, Calif.	H. R. 263	Jan. 3	AS*	AS	May 18	June 10	621	484	7270	8019	June 6	June 21	June 25	130
To provide retention of certain officers of Medical and Dental Corps of the Navy.	H. R. 4516 (S. 1759)	May 4	AS*	AS	June 7	June 2	758	439	7948	8000	June 20	June 21	June 25	131
To authorize completion of construction and development of Eden project in Wyoming.	S. 55	Jan. 5	PL	HA*	May 27	Apr. 27	691	308	7961	5832	June 20	May 6	June 28	132
To improve the administration of activities relating to collection of cotton statistics.	H. R. 3444	Mar. 10	Agr	POCS	May 10	June 2	559	442	6279	8006	May 16	June 21	June 28	133
To continue child day-care centers in the District of Columbia.	H. R. 3967	Apr. 1	DC	DC	Apr. 5	May 11	397	364	5456	6605	May 2	May 23	June 28	134
Relating to loans by Federal agencies for the construction of certain public works.	H. R. 1771 (S. 525)	Jan. 24	PW	BC	June 6	June 7	728	470	7952	8011	June 20	June 21	June 28	135
Swiss war damage claims	H. R. 4392 (S. 612)	Apr. 27	FA	FR	May 3	Feb. 21	502	77	5979	6598	May 10	May 23	June 28	136
Granting certain extensions of time for tax purposes.	H. J. Res. 276	June 16	WM		June 20		846		7935	8039	June 20	June 21	June 28	137
To amend the Interstate Commerce Act so as to set up a statute of limitations on the time within which actions may be brought up for the recovery of overcharges and undercharges by or against motor carriers, freight forwarders, and water carriers.	S. 257	Jan. 6	IFC*	IFC	June 8	Feb. 25	766	83	7951	4237	June 20	Apr. 11	June 29	138
To provide for inclusion of filberts under marketing agreements and orders.	S. 1089	Feb 25	Agr*	Agr	June 2	May 5	722	333	7947	5837	June 20	May 6	June 29	139
To amend the Nationality Act of 1940 by correcting a typographical error in Public Law 567 of the Eightieth Congress.	H. R. 1837	Jan. 25	Jud	Jud	Apr. 12	June 13	432	494	5441	8023	May 2	June 21	June 29	140
Labor and Federal Security appropriations for 1950.	H. R. 3333	Mar. 8	App*	App*	Mar. 8	Apr. 14	228	265	2103	6330	Mar. 9	May 17	June 29	141
To exempt International Bank for Reconstruction and Development of certain restrictions in dealing with and underwriting investment securities.	H. R. 4332 (S. 1664)	Apr. 25	BC*	BC*	May 31	June 15	708	504	8080	8026	June 21	June 21	June 29	142
Regulating hours of duty and pay of civilian keepers of lighthouses and civilians employed in lightships and other vessels of the Coast Guard.	H. R. 4471 (S. 1772)	May 2	MMF	IFC	May 3	June 10	501	487	6253	8020	May 16	June 21	June 29	143

To repeal certain obsolete provisions of law relating to the naval service.	S. 1794 (H. R. 4573)	May 6	AS*	AS	June 7	May 26	759	420	7963	7129	June 20	June 2	June 29	144
District of Columbia appropriations for 1950.	H. R. 3082	Mar. 1	App*	App*	Mar. 1	June 17	167	517	1746	8039	Mar. 2	June 21	June 29	145
Agriculture appropriations for 1950	H. R. 3997	Apr. 4	App*	App*	Apr. 4	May 10	384	362	3950	6467	Apr. 5	May 19	June 29	146
Continuing authority of Maritime Commission to sell, charter, and operate vessels.	H. J. Res. 235	May 3	MMF	IFC	May 11	June 9	564	483	6298	8329	May 16	June 24	June 29	147
To allow the RFC to sell low-grade tin concentrates to private industry at no greater loss than it would cost the RFC to process it.	S. 1433	Mar. 28	BC*	BC*	June 14	Apr. 27	792	306	7953	5831	June 20	May 6	June 30	148
To incorporate the Virgin Islands Corporation.	H. R. 2989	Feb. 24	PL	HA	Mar. 22	June 8	304	477	5717	7541	May 5	June 10	June 30	149
Treasury and Post Office appropriations for 1950.	H. R. 3083	Mar. 1	App*	App*	Mar. 1	Apr. 29	168	310	1836	6040	Mar. 3	May 11	June 30	150
To grant salary increase to members of the Police and Fire Departments and teachers in the District of Columbia.	H. R. 3088	Mar. 1	DC	DC	Mar. 31	June 21	360	551	7609	8582	June 13	June 29	June 30	151
Federal Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949.	H. R. 4754 (S. 990, S. 2020)	May 18	Exp*	Exp*	May 24	June 8	670	475	7468	8056	June 8	June 21	June 30	152
Temporary extension of Second Decontrol Act of 1947, with respect to tin and tin products.	H. R. 5044	June 7	BC	BC	June 14	June 21	804		7965	8609	June 20	June 29	June 30	153
Making temporary appropriations available for those Federal activities for which the regular annual appropriations have not yet been provided for fiscal year 1950.	H. J. Res. 284	June 29	App	App	June 29	June 30	940		8689	8725	June 29	June 30	June 30	154
Temporary extension of Second Decontrol Act of 1947 with respect to import controls of fats and oils, including butter and rice and rice products.	H. R. 5240	June 20	BC	BC	June 21	June 28	868	593	8270	8732	June 23	June 30	July 1	155
To authorize certain Government printing, binding, and blank-book work elsewhere than at the GPO, if approved by the Joint Committee on Printing.	H. R. 4878	May 26	HA	RAdm	June 15	June 22	841		7777	8088	June 15	June 22	July 5	156
Providing for erection of a statue of Simon Bolivar in the District of Columbia.	H. J. Res. 240	May 10	HA	RAdm	June 23	June 28	897		8275	8513	June 23	June 28	July 5	157
To provide for use of Federal employees for field work by the Bureau of the Census.	H. R. 3198	Mar. 3	POCS	POCS	Apr. 12	June 2	430	441	5449	8004	May 2	June 21	July 6	158
To permit Comptroller General to pay claims chargeable against lapsed appropriations and to provide for the return of unexpended balances of such appropriations to the surplus fund.	H. R. 3549	Mar. 15	Exp	Exp	Mar. 22	June 27	300	569	3813	8584	Apr. 4	June 29	July 6	159
To correct inequities in the pay of certain officers and employees of the Federal Government and of the government of the D. C.	H. R. 5100	June 9	POCS	POCS	June 17	June 30	845	604	7965	8729	June 20	June 30	July 6	160
To make certain Government-owned facilities available for international broadcasting in the furtherance of certain State Department programs.	H. R. 2282	Feb. 3	FA	BC	Apr. 27	June 6	486	450	5448	8008	May 2	June 21	July 9	161
Authorizing an appropriation for President's Committee on National Employ the Physically Handicapped Week.	H. J. Res. 228	Apr. 25	EdL	LPW	June 6	June 30	732	601	7959	8927	June 20	July 6	July 11	162
To transfer the trawlers *Alaska* and *Oregon* from the RFC to the Fish and Wildlife Service.	H. R. 4252	Apr. 13	MMF*	IFC	May 27	June 24	692	566	7278	8918	June 6	July 6	July 13	163
To amend the Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to provide for certification of drugs composed of certain ingredients.	H. R. 3151	Mar. 2	IFC*	LPW	May 3	June 30	499	600	6252	8927	May 16	July 6	July 13	164

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To authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to quitclaim 5 1/10 acres of land in Washington County, Miss., to Mississippi State College.	H. R. 3680	Mar. 21	Agr*	Agr	June 1	July 1	717	607	7944	8931	June 20	July 6	July 13	165
To repeal act establishing Swan Island Animal Quarantine Station.	H. R. 3717	Mar. 22	Agr*	Agr	Apr. 26	June 27	480	570	5447	8918	May 2	July 6	July 13	166
To authorize the creation of 10 professional and scientific positions in National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics.	H. R. 20	Jan. 3	POCS	POCS	Feb. 17	May 4	147	330	1938	8945	Mar. 7	July 6	July 13	167
Relating to payment of fees, expenses, and costs of jurors.	S. 1042	Feb. 24	Jud	Jud	June 30	Mar. 28	960	188	8962	4259	July 6	Apr. 11	July 14	168
For the relief of Nevada County, Calif.	H. R. 52	Jan. 3	Jud	Jud	Mar. 21	June 27	278	577	3902	8920	Apr. 5	July 6	July 14	169
To provide for further contributions to the International Children's Emergency Fund.	H. R. 2785	Feb. 16	FA*	FR	May 11	June 28	569	595	7383	8744	June 7	June 30	July 14	170
To establish a national housing policy	S. 1070 (H. R. 4009)	Feb. 25	BC*	BC*	May 16	Feb. 25	590	84	8687	4903	June 29	Apr. 21	July 15	171
Tort claims against Panama Railroad	S. 1168	Mar. 3	Jud	Jud	June 15	Mar. 28	830	167	8950	4258	July 6	Apr. 11	July 16	172
To provide for certain adjustments on the promotion list of the Medical Service Corps of the Regular Army.	S. 1688 (H. R. 4449)	Apr. 25	AS*	AS	June 7	June 9	757	481	8964	8015	July 6	June 21	July 16	173
To extend for 1 year to merchant seamen unemployment-compensation provision of Social Security Act.	H. J. Res. 287	June 30	WM	.....	June 30	.....	958	.....	8798	9183	July 1	July 11	July 16	174
Relative to court procedure in Alaska	S. 70	Jan. 5	Jud	Jud	June 30	Apr. 4	959	211	8962	4264	July 6	Apr. 11	July 18	175
To provide increase in the authorization for the Federal National Mortgage Association.	S. J. Res. 114 (H. R. 5533)	July 7	BC	BC	July 11	July 7	1009	615	9226	9122	July 11	July 8	July 19	176
To clarify the overtime compensation provisions of the Fair Labor Standards Act as applied in the longshore, stevedoring, building, and construction industries.	H. R. 858	Jan. 5	EdL*	LPW*	Feb. 15	May 18	121	402	1450	6618	Feb. 21	May 23	July 20	177
Providing medal for persons distinguishing themselves in the Berlin airlift.	H. R. 2737	Feb. 15	AS*	AS	.....	May 26	.....	425	6282	7131	May 16	June 2	July 20	178
State, Justice, Commerce, and Judiciary appropriations for 1950.	H. R. 4016	Apr. 5	App*	App*	Apr. 5	June 1	386	435	4110	7353	Apr. 7	June 7	July 20	179
To extend benefits of the Civil Service Retirement Act to officers and employees of Panama and Alaska.	S. 1359 (H. R. 3445)	Mar. 23	POCS	POCS	June 8	Apr. 18	762	269	8965	8035	July 6	June 21	July 21	180
Conveyance of certain lands to city and county of San Francisco.	S. 863 (H. R. 5289)	Feb. 8	AS*	AS	July 1	June 23	965	561	9480	8916	July 14	July 6	July 21	181
Authorizing Secretary of the Treasury to effect the payment of certain claims against the U. S.	S. 937	Feb. 14	FA	Jud	May 3	Mar. 16	503	117	9241	2776	July 11	Mar. 18	July 25	182
To amend the Federal Airport Act to limit to 10 percent any increase of the amount stated as a maximum obligation under a grant agreement.	S. 1280	Mar. 16	IFC*	IFC	July 8	June 17	1006	515	9662	8030	July 18	June 21	July 25	183

Providing that the Secretary of the Navy, instead of the President, be authorized to approve or disapprove decisions by Navy retiring boards.	S. 1639	Apr. 19	AS*	AS	July 12	June 2	1016	438	9664	7999	July 18	June 21	July 25	184
To amend sec. 205 of the Interstate Commerce Act relating to joint boards.	S. 255	Jan. 6	IFC*	IFC	July 6	Feb. 25	970	81	9658	2770	July 18	Mar. 18	July 26	185
To amend Civil Aeronautics Act relative to transportation, packing, marking, and description of explosives.	S. 447 (H. R. 3940)	Jan. 13	IFC*	IFC	July 6	June 16	972	511	9667	8030	July 18	June 21	July 26	186
To amend the Federal Airport Act to provide that minimum rates of wages need be specified only in contracts in excess of $2,000.	S. 1279	Mar. 16	IFC*	IFC	July 8	June 16	1005	514	9662	8030	July 18	June 21	July 26	187
To extend for 1 year the authority of the VA Administrator to enter into 5-year leases.	S. 2010	June 7	VA	Fin	July 7	June 9	995	480	9662	8022	July 18	June 21	July 26	188
Relating to orders to D. C. banks for stopping payment on negotiable instruments payable from deposits in or payable at such banks.	H. R. 2104	Feb. 2	DC	DC	Apr. 5	June 22	399	557	5455	8913	May 2	July 6	July 26	189
Providing for on-the-spot audits by GAO of fiscal records of House Sergeant at Arms.	H. J. Res. 298	July 26	HA	.....	July 14	.....	1052	.....	9475	9755	July 14	July 20	July 26	190
To increase salaries of judges of D. C. municipal court of appeals and D. C. municipal court.	H. R. 3901	Mar. 30	DC	DC	June 9	June 21	778	552	7607	8913	June 13	July 6	July 28	191
To authorize rehabilitation of certain works of Fort Sumner irrigation district in New Mexico.	S. 276	Jan. 10	PL	IIA	June 14	Apr. 25	798	286	9384	6600	July 13	May 23	July 29	192
To authorize Secretary of Army to lend certain property of the Department of Army to national veterans' organizations for use in national youth tournaments.	H. R. 4646	May 11	AS*	AS	June 7	July 11	760	652	7949	10209	June 20	July 26	Aug. 1	193
To permit a refund of pension or compensation withheld from an incompetent veteran while hospitalized when released as a competent veteran.	S. 266	Jan. 6	VA	Fin	July 7	May 6	993	337	9661	6621	July 18	May 23	Aug. 1	194
Relating to retroactive pensions and compensation benefits payable to disabled or deceased veterans of World War II who were prisoners of war.	S. 811	Feb. 7	VA	Fin	July 7	May 5	994	336	9661	5837	July 18	May 6	Aug. 1	195
Making temporary appropriations beyond July 31, 1949, for fiscal year 1950 for various governmental agencies until pending regular appropriation bills have been enacted.	H. J. Res. 329	July 27	App	App	July 28	July 28	1141	804	10374	10358	July 28	July 28	Aug. 1	196
An omnibus bill to amend the Interstate Commerce Act.	S. 256	Jan. 6	IFC*	IFC	July 6	Feb. 25	971	82	9660	2771	July 18	Mar. 18	Aug. 2	197
To extend time for construction of free bridge across the Rio Grande at Del Rio, Tex.	H. R. 1360	Jan. 13	FA	FR	Apr. 27	July 13	485	660	5448	10213	May 2	July 26	Aug. 2	198
To amend the Civil Service Retirement Act to authorize exemption of certain employees of the Library of Congress whose employment is temporary or of uncertain duration.	H. R. 3512	Mar. 14	POCS	POCS	May 10	July 14	561	671	6279	10213	May 16	July 26	Aug. 2	199
To extend time for construction of a toll bridge across the Rio Grande at Rio Grande City, Tex.	H. R. 4022 (S. 2198)	Apr. 5	FA	FR	July 12	July 13	1023	659	9665	10213	July 18	July 26	Aug. 2	200
Transferring certain offices from the government of the D. C. to the Administrative Office of the U. S. Courts.	H. R. 4705	May 16	DC	DC	June 24	July 7	906	622	8451	10203	June 27	July 26	Aug. 2	201
Removing certain restrictions on certain lands authorized to be conveyed to the trustees of Porter Academy.	S. 1742 (H. R. 4466)	Apr. 29	AS	AS	June 7	June 9	752	478	8068	8013	June 21	June 21	Aug. 3	202

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Designating June 14 of each year as Flag Day.	H. J. Res. 170 (S. J. Res. 103)	Feb. 21	Jud	Jud		July 18		694	7166	10208	June 2	July 26	Aug. 3	203
Regulating the retent on contracts with the District of Columbia.	H. R. 2799	Feb. 16	DC	DC	Mar. 8	July 6	229	614	5455	10197	May 2	July 26	Aug. 3	204
To authorize the appointment of additional circuit and district judges.	H. R. 4963 (S. 52)	June 2	Jud*	Jud	June 10	June 20	780	545	7856	8423	June 16	June 27	Aug. 3	205
To authorize the payment of employees of the Bureau of Animal Industry for overtime duty performed at establishments which prepare virus, serum, toxin, or analogous products for use in the treatment of domestic animals.	H. R. 459	Jan. 3	POCS	POCS	June 7	July 13	748	658	8949	10213	July 6	July 26	Aug. 4	206
To revise, codify, and enact into law title 14 of U. S. Code entitled "Coast Guard."	H. R. 4566	May 9	Jud	Jud	May 10	July 13	557	656	6278	10212	May 16	July 26	Aug. 4	207
To increase pension for widows and children of deceased and retired members of D. C. Police and Fire Departments.	H. R. 2021	Jan. 31	DC	DC	June 7	June 22	753	558	7610	8914	June 13	July 6	Aug. 4	208
To improve recreational facilities at Eglin Field, Fla.	H. R. 2417	Feb. 7	AS	AS	May 19	June 10	633	485	7272	10190	June 6	July 26	Aug. 5	209
To authorize the adjustment of certain lineal positions of certain officers of the naval service.	H. R. 5238 (S. 2192)	June 20	AS	AS	July 12	July 22	1015		9664	10450	July 18	Aug. 1	Aug. 5	210
To encourage construction of rental housing at or in areas adjacent to military and naval installations.	S. 1184	Mar. 5	BC	BC*	June 20	May 20	854	410	9684	6539	July 18	May 20	Aug. 8	211
To amend the Civil Service Retirement Act by waiving time limitations in the case of employees whose disabling condition is essentially chronic.	S. 1459	Mar. 30	POCS	POCS	July 13	May 2	1041	315	10493	5835	Aug. 1	May 6	Aug. 8	212
Authorizing construction of experimental submarines.	S. 1505 (H. R. 4007)	Apr. 5	AS	AS	May 18	May 26	624	423	10386	7129	July 28	June 2	Aug. 8	213
To clarify laws relating to compensation of postmasters at fourth-class post offices which have been advanced because of unusual conditions.	S. 2030 (H. R. 5168)	June 9	POCS	POCS	July 13	July 13	1029	657	10493	10212	Aug. 1	July 26	Aug. 8	214
Appropriating $1,750,000 for the Department of Agriculture for control of insects and plant diseases (grasshoppers).	H. J. Res. 327	July 27	App*	App	July 27	July 28	1132	794	10297	10324	July 27	July 28	Aug. 8	215
To convert the National Military Establishment into an executive department to be known as the Department of Defense, and to establish the responsibility and authority of the Secretary of Defense (National Security Act amendments of 1949).	H. R. 5632 (S. 1843)	July 13	AS*	AS*	July 14	May 12	1064	366	9685	9755	July 18	July 20	Aug. 10	216
Relative to construction of a bridge over the Ohio River at Shawneetown, Ill.	S. 755	Jan. 31	PW	PW	July 18	Apr. 1	1070	205	10498	4264	Aug. 1	Apr. 11	Aug. 10	217
To provide for the conveyance of a tract of land in Prince Georges County, Md., to the State of Maryland for use as a site for a National Guard Army.	S. 803	Feb. 7	BC	BC	July 20	June 7	1082	473	10499	8012	Aug. 1	June 21	Aug. 10	218

To revise and codify laws of the Panama Canal Zone regarding the administration of estates.	S. 1137	Feb. 28	MMF	AS	July 14	Mar. 31	1058	199	10497	4261	Aug. 1	Apr. 11	Aug. 10	219
To revive and reenact the act creating the City of Clinton Bridge Commission, operating bridge over Mississippi between Clinton, Iowa, and Fulton, Ill.	S. 1577 (H. R. 5048)	Apr. 13	PW	PW	July 18	May 20	1072	412	10499	6620	Aug. 1	May 23	Aug. 10	220
Providing for coinage of a medal in recognition of the distinguished services of Vice President Barkley.	H. J. Res. 188	Mar. 9	BC	BC	June 14	July 22	793	742	8950	11053	July 6	Aug. 9	Aug. 12	221
To amend Migratory Bird Hunting Stamp Act of March 16, 1934, and to increase price of duck stamps from $1 to $2.	S. 1076	Feb. 25	MMF*	IFC*	June 29	June 14	946	503	10509	8025	Aug. 1	June 21	Aug. 12	222
To amend the Panama Canal Zone Code regarding powers of the Governor.	S. 1136	Feb. 28	MMF	AS	July 14	Mar. 31	1059	198	10497	4261	Aug. 1	Apr. 11	Aug. 12	223
To authorize progressive partial payments to contractors under Federal airport program.	S. 1285	Mar. 16	IFC*	IFC	July 21	June 17	1100	516	10502	8031	Aug. 1	June 21	Aug. 12	224
To transfer to the Attorney General land and portions of the Vigo ordnance plant building near Terre Haute, Ind., for use in connection with U. S. penitentiary located at that city.	S. 1745 (H. R. 4442)	Apr. 29	Exp	Exp	July 6	June 1	973	433	10498	7135	Aug. 1	June 2	Aug. 12	225
To declare that the U. S. holds certain lands in trust for the Pueblo Indians and Canoncito Navajo group in New Mexico.	S. 1323	Mar. 21	PL	IIA	July 13	June 20	1042	549	10493	8911	Aug. 1	July 6	Aug. 13	226
To fix U. S. share of project costs involved in installation of high-intensity lighting on CAA-designated instrument-landing runways.	S. 1278	Mar. 16	IFC*	IFC	July 8	June 16	1004	513	10491	8030	Aug. 1	June 21	Aug. 15	227
To provide for cooperation by Smithsonian Institution with State, educational, and scientific organizations for continuing paleontological investigations in areas which will be flooded by construction of Government dams.	H. R. 2290	Feb. 3	HA	RAdm	June 22	July 7	896	617	8274	10201	June 23	July 26	Aug. 15	228
To authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to sell certain lands to Sisters of St. Joseph in Arizona, Inc., to consolidate the desert laboratory experimental area of Southwestern Forest and Range Experiment Station.	H. R. 3982	Apr. 1	Agr*	Agr	June 2	July 1	718	608	7368	8935	June 7	July 6	Aug. 15	229
To authorize D. C. contracting officers to make contracts in amounts not exceeding $5,000.	S. 1918	May 24	DC	DC	Aug. 3	June 22	1168	556	10797	8914	Aug. 4	July 6	Aug. 16	230
To provide for a research and development program in the Post Office Department.	H. R. 91	Jan. 3	POCS	POCS	Apr. 11	July 29	421	811	5440	11070	May 2	Aug. 9	Aug. 16	231
Providing for conveyance of certain land in Missoula County, Mont., for use of Montana State University.	H. R. 1720 (S. 1891)	Jan. 24	PL	IIA	May 10	July 20	558	736	6279	11045	May 16	Aug. 9	Aug. 16	232
To allow employees (veterans) of the executive branch of the Government, without pay or leave deductions, to participate in funerals for deceased members of the armed forces returned to U. S. for burial.	H. R. 2662	Feb. 14	POCS	POCS	Apr. 8	Aug. 5	411	844	5439	11086	May 2	Aug. 9	Aug. 16	233
To declare the waterway in which is located the Brewery Street Channel at New Haven, Conn., a nonnavigable stream.	H. R. 3511	Mar. 14	IFC*	PW	June 6	July 14	730	682	7947	11032	June 20	Aug. 9	Aug. 16	234

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To provide that the annuities of certain Government employees engaged in enforcement of the criminal laws of the U. S. shall be computed on basis of their average basic salaries for any five consecutive years of allowable service.	H. R. 3756	Mar. 23	POCS	POCS	May 20	July 15	651	687	7272	11039	June 6	Aug. 9	Aug. 16	235
To create a Swainsboro division of district court in the southern district of Georgia.	H. R. 5287	June 22	Jud	Jud	July 1	July 18	967	720	8965	11043	July 6	Aug. 9	Aug. 16	236
Transferring vessel *Black Mallard* to State of Louisiana for use and benefit of department of wildlife and fisheries of such State.	H. R. 5365	June 28	PL	IFC	July 13	July 28	1045	799	9666	11068	July 18	Aug. 9	Aug. 16	237
To provide authorization for additional funds for the extension and improvement of post-office facilities at Los Angeles.	H. R. 1154	Jan. 7	PW	PW	June 6	July 25	727	750	7959	11054	June 20	Aug. 9	Aug. 17	238
Extending to officers of the Coast and Geodetic Survey the provisions of the Armed Forces Leave Act.	H. R. 2572	Feb. 9	MMF*	IFC	June 29	July 14	950	677	8961	11034	July 6	Aug. 9	Aug. 17	239
To exempt certain volatile fruit-flavor concentrates from the tax on liquors.	H. R. 5831	Aug. 1	WM	Fin	Aug. 2	Aug. 5	1159	841	10611	11086	Aug. 2	Aug. 9	Aug. 17	240
To extend for 2 years the existing privileges of free importation of gifts from members of the U. S. armed forces on duty abroad.	H. J. Res. 242	May 16	WM	Fin	June 13	July 14	781	672	7654	11030	June 14	Aug. 9	Aug. 17	241
Providing for development and maintenance of the Suitland Parkway as an extension of the D. C. park system.	H. R. 2214	Feb. 2	PW	PW	June 8	July 22	767	747	7961	11053	June 20	Aug. 9	Aug. 17	242
To authorize taxation of Indian lands in town of Lodge Grass, Mont., to assist in financing a municipal water-supply and sewerage system.	H. R. 5034	June 7	PL	IIA	June 28	July 14	934	665	8960	11089	July 6	Aug. 9	Aug. 17	243
To amend the resolution creating the Niagara Falls Bridge Commission.	H. J. Res. 208	Mar. 29	FA	FR	May 17	July 26	592	788	7269	11063	June 6	Aug. 9	Aug. 17	244
To authorize Secretary of Interior to issue a patent in fee to certain Indian lands in Lake County, Mont.	H. R. 1892	Jan. 27	PL	IIA	Apr. 1	July 14	373	666	5438	11029	May 2	Aug. 9	Aug. 18	245
Making temporary appropriations beyond Aug. 15, until Sept. 15, 1949, for fiscal year 1950 for various governmental agencies until certain pending regular appropriation bills can be enacted.	H. J. Res. 339	Aug. 15	App	App	Aug. 15	Aug. 17	1263	.....	11657	11625	Aug. 17	Aug. 17	Aug. 18	246
To provide for conferring of degree of bachelor of science upon graduates of U. S. Merchant Marine Academy.	H. R. 242	Jan. 3	MMF*	IFC	June 29	July 28	949	797	8961	11068	July 6	Aug. 9	Aug. 18	247
To authorize acquisition by county of Missoula, Mont., of certain lands for public use.	H. R. 2197 (S. 1890)	Feb. 2	PL	IIA	May 10	July 20	560	737	6279	11045	May 16	Aug. 9	Aug. 18	248
To establish rearing ponds and a fish hatchery at or near Millen, Ga.	H. R. 2740	Feb. 15	MMF*	IFC	May 26	July 14	686	679	7944	11035	June 20	Aug. 9	Aug. 18	249
Policing of the building and grounds of the Supreme Court.	H. R. 4948	June 1	Jud	Jud	June 14	July 18	814	719	8962	11043	July 6	Aug. 9	Aug. 18	250
Participation in International Exposition for the Bicentennial of the Founding of Port-au-Prince, Haiti.	S. J. Res. 79 (H. J. Res. 297)	Apr. 14	FA	FR	July 14	July 21	1067	739	11400	11046	Aug. 12	Aug. 9	Aug. 19	251
Regarding the one hundredth anniversary celebration of the building of the Soo locks, Michigan.	H. R. 5188 (S. 2083)	June 15	HA	Jud	July 14	July 11	1056	642	9477	11040	July 14	Aug. 9	Aug. 19	252
To authorize the lease of the Federal correctional institution at Sandstone, Minn., to the State of Minnesota.	S. 1949	May 26	Jud	Jud	Aug. 10	July 11	1245	641	11470	10208	Aug. 15	July 26	Aug. 19	253
To extend the time within which legislative employees may come within the purview of the Civil Service Retirement Act.	S. 1977	June 2	POCS	POCS	Aug. 1	June 13	1149	489	11464	8021	Aug. 15	June 21	Aug. 19	254
To authorize appropriation in aid of a system of drainage and sanitation for the city of Polson, Mont.	H. R. 2869	Feb. 21	PL	IIA	June 28	Aug. 2	932	828	8960	11084	July 6	Aug. 9	Aug. 19	255
Funds for the Klamath County, Oreg., School Board for Indian and non-Indian children without discrimination.	H. R. 4510	May 3	PL	IIA	June 20	July 14	852	673	8951	11030	July 6	Aug. 9	Aug. 19	256
Automatic promotions for part-time employees in the custodial service of the Post Office Department.	H. R. 1516	Jan. 17	POCS	POCS	June 24	Aug. 2	904	829	8954	11083	July 6	Aug. 9	Aug. 22	257
To permit Canadian vessels to serve temporarily certain Alaskan points until June 30, 1950.	H. R. 2634	Feb. 14	MMF	IFC	May 31	July 14	713	681	7280	11030	June 6	Aug. 9	Aug. 22	258
To amend the act concerning cooperation by Smithsonian Institution with State, educational, and scientific organizations in U. S. for continuing ethnological researches on American Indians.	H. R. 3417	Mar. 10	HA	RAdm	July 14	Aug 15	1055	893	9477	11406	July 14	Aug. 15	Aug. 22	259
For the relief of Public Utility District No. 1 of Cowlitz County, Wash.	H. R. 3193 (S. 1530)	Mar. 3	Jud	Jud	July 7	July 20	986	731	9831	11044	July 20	Aug. 9	Aug. 23	260
To amend the Internal Revenue Code to permit the use of additional means, including stamp machines, for payment of tax on fermented malt liquors, and to provide for the establishment of brewery bottling houses on brewery premises.	H. R. 5114	June 13	WM	Fin	June 15	July 11	826	645	7936	11096	June 20	Aug. 9	Aug. 23	261
To authorize a survey of a proposed Mississipi River Parkway for the purpose of determining the feasibility of same.	H. R. 1997	Jan. 31	PL	IIA	Feb. 8	July 20	35	735	3806	11090	Apr. 4	Aug. 9	Aug. 24	262
To add certain lands to Rocky Mountain National Park, Colo.	H. R. 3440	Mar. 10	PL	IIA	Mar. 30	July 25	353	786	5434	11062	May 2	Aug. 9	Aug. 24	263
Authorizing a program of useful public works for the development of Alaska.	S. 855	Feb. 7	PL	PW*	Aug. 11	July 25	1254	749	11482	11056	Aug. 15	Aug. 9	Aug. 24	264
To provide for use of World War I debt payments by Finland for educational and technical instruction and training in the U. S. for citizens of Finland.	S. J. Res. 3 (H. J. Res. 87)	Jan. 5	FA	FR	Aug. 5	July 21	1195	740	11484	11048	Aug. 15	Aug. 9	Aug. 24	265
Independent offices appropriations for 1950.	H. R. 4177	Apr. 11	App*	App*	Apr. 11	July 8	425	639	4686	10590	Apr. 14	Aug 2	Aug. 24	266
To extend benefits of Civil Service Retirement Act to certain employees involuntarily separated between July 1, 1945, and July 1, 1947.	H. R 997 (S. 988)	Jan. 6	POCS	POCS	Mar. 21	Apr. 14	272	266	5433	11026	May 2	Aug. 9	Aug. 25	267
To amend the Federal Crop Insurance Act to provide for multiple crop insurance on certain agricultural commodities.	H. R. 3825	Mar. 25	Agr*	Agr	Apr. 9	June 27	420	592	6426	11029	May 18	Aug. 9	Aug. 25	268
To amend the Veterans' Preference Act of 1944 with respect to certain mothers of veterans.	S. 974	Feb. 17	POCS	POCS	Aug. 1	June 14	1154	500	11464	8023	Aug. 15	June 21	Aug. 26	269
To discontinue divisions of the court in the district of Kansas.	S. 259	Jan. 6	Jud	Jud	Aug. 10	May 2	1243	318	11470	5835	Aug. 15	May 6	Aug. 27	270

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To accord privileges of free importation to members of armed forces of other nations.	H. R. 5086	June 9	WM	Fin	June 15	July 15	833	685	7935	11037	June 20	Aug. 9	Aug. 27	271
To amend the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938 with respect to cotton marketing quota provisions.	S. 1962 (H. R. 5738)	May 27	Agr*	Agr*	Aug. 1	June 29	1148	597	10729	8934	Aug. 3	July 6	Aug. 29	272
Construction, operation, and maintenance of Weber Basin reclamation project, Utah.	S. 2391 (H. R. 799)	Aug. 5	PL	IIA	Aug. 4	Aug. 5	1186	849	11476	11087	Aug. 15	Aug. 9	Aug. 29	273
To amend the CAA relative to purchase and transfer of supplies and materials necessary for the proper execution of functions in Alaska.	H. R. 781	Jan. 5	IFC*	IFC	Apr. 12	June 16	429	512	5441	8030	May 2	June 21	Aug. 30	274
To authorize the sale of public lands in Alaska.	H. R. 2859	Feb. 21	PL	IIA	Mar. 23	June 7	308	474	3811	8013	Apr. 4	June 21	Aug. 30	275
To add certain lands to the Big Bend National Park, Tex.	H. R. 2877	Feb. 21	PL	IIA	Mar. 3	July 14	207	667	2868	11029	Mar. 21	Aug. 9	Aug. 30	276
Transportation of mail by air star routes	H. R. 4498	May 3	POCS	POCS	May 11	July 14	563	683	7266	11036	June 6	Aug. 9	Aug. 30	277
Extending for 60 days title I and section 608 of National Housing Act, and to amend title II of National Housing Act by increasing funds by a possible $500 million.	S. J. Res. 109	June 15	BC	BC		June 15		505	12287	8026	Aug. 25	June 21	Aug. 30	278
To transfer certain land at Chillicothe, Ohio, from the VA to the Bureau of Prisons.	S. 1859	May 13	VA	LPW	Aug. 24	June 24	1307	565	12271	8918	Aug. 25	July 6	Aug. 31	279
To eliminate premium payments in the purchase of Government royalty oil under existing contracts entered into pursuant to the act of July 13, 1946.	S. 1647	Apr. 19	PL	IIA	Aug. 1	June 23	1150	564	10802	8918	Aug. 4	July 6	Sept. 1	280
To authorize the VA to convey certain land and to lease certain other land to Milwaukee County, Wis.	S. 2298	July 20	VA	Fin	Aug. 24	July 21	1310	738	12272	11047	Aug. 25	Aug. 9	Sept. 1	281
For the relief of Chattooga County, Ga.	H. R. 807	Jan. 5	Jud	Jud	Mar. 21	Aug. 9	284	881	3903	12361	Apr. 5	Aug. 27	Sept. 1	282
To continue the Institute of Inter-American Affairs.	S. 1250 (H. R. 5730)	Mar. 16	FA*	FR	July 25	June 28	1123	594	10511	8925	Aug. 1	July 6	Sept. 3	283
Ratifying and confirming certain session laws of Hawaii regarding revenue bonds.	H. R. 4688	May 16	PL	IIA	July 7	Aug. 9	991	887	9661	12362	July 18	Aug. 27	Sept. 3	284
To establish procedure for care and custody of insane persons convicted of Federal offenses.	S. 936	Feb. 14	Jud	Jud	Aug. 24	Apr. 4	1319	209	12271	4266	Aug. 25	Apr. 11	Sept. 7	285
Additional allowance for veterans paralyzed from service-connected brain injuries.	S. 2146	June 27	VA	LPW*	Aug. 24	July 25	1309	785	12276	11062	Aug. 25	Aug. 9	Sept. 7	286
To authorize the Secretary of the Army to purchase certain property in Morgan County, Ohio.	H. R. 3071	Feb. 28	PW	PW	July 8	Aug. 19	1000	936	10497	12377	Aug. 1	Aug. 27	Sept. 7	287
Basing Federal employees' compensation for night work on either standard or daylight-saving time.	H. R. 3383	Mar. 9	POCS	POCS	June 23	Aug. 8	883	873	8954	12361	July 6	Aug. 27	Sept. 7	288
To extend the time for completing construction of a bridge across the Mississippi River from St. Louis, Mo., to East St. Louis, Ill.	H. R. 3478	Mar. 11	PW	PW	July 18	Aug. 19	1071	937	10498	12377	Aug. 1	Aug. 27	Sept. 7	289
To permit sending of braille writers to or from the blind at same postage rates as provided for their transportation for repair purposes.	H. R. 3637 (S. 1695)	Mar. 21	POCS	POCS	July 18	Aug. 10	1073	888	10498	12362	Aug. 1	Aug. 27	Sept. 7	290
Relating to exchange of certain properties within Acadia National Park, Maine.	H. R. 4026	Apr. 5	PL	IIA	Apr. 27	Aug. 9	490	886	5449	12362	May 2	Aug. 27	Sept. 7	291
Conveyance to New York of certain property in Fort Niagara State Park.	H. R. 4073	Apr. 7	PL	IIA	June 20	Aug. 17	851	931	8951	12375	July 6	Aug. 27	Sept. 7	292
To add certain surplus land to Petersburg National Military Park, Va.	H. R. 4208	Apr. 12	PL	IIA	June 15	Aug. 17	825	932	8950	12375	July 6	Aug. 27	Sept. 7	293
Amending the Organic Act of Puerto Rico, relating to the expenses of courts and judges.	H. R. 5207	June 16	PL	IIA	July 13	Aug. 8	1044	876	10493	12361	Aug. 1	Aug. 27	Sept. 7	294
To extend certain sections of the Philippine Rehabilitation Act.	H. R. 5535 (S. 2374)	July 7	FA	PW	July 13	Aug. 19	1028	940	10511	12377	Aug. 1	Aug. 27	Sept. 7	295
Permitting the use for public purposes of certain land in Hot Springs, N. Mex.	H. R. 5620 (S. 2275)	July 13	PL	IIA	Aug. 8	Aug. 15	1215	913	11469	12367	Aug. 15	Aug. 27	Sept. 7	296
To amend the Army and Air Force Vitalization and Retirement Equalization Act of 1948, relative to the fixation of time of Reserve component service for retirement purposes.	H. R. 5929	Aug. 9	AS*	AS	Aug. 11	Aug. 15	1258	922	11314	12371	Aug. 11	Aug. 27	Sept. 7	297
Relating to development and improvement of Logan International Airport at Boston, Mass., during fiscal year 1950.	H. J. Res. 338	Aug. 11	IFC	IFC	Aug. 17	Aug. 25	1274	956	11859	12383	Aug. 19	Aug. 27	Sept. 7	298
To exempt from taxation certain property of the National Society of the Colonial Dames of America in the D. C.	S. 973	Feb. 17	DC	DC	Aug. 22	July 29	1289	808	12283	11070	Aug. 25	Aug. 9	Sept. 7	299
To authorize revision of certain laws of Alaska relative to imposing taxes for carrying on business and trade.	H. R. 225	Jan. 3	PL	IIA	Apr. 1	Aug. 9	371	883	5434	12361	May 2	Aug. 27	Sept. 7	300
To provide for use of State course of study in schools operated by the Bureau of Indian Affairs in South Dakota upon petition therefor.	H. R. 3881	Mar. 29	PL	IIA	May 4	Aug. 15	505	918	6253	12371	May 16	Aug. 27	Sept. 7	301
Authorizing exchange of Navajo land for certain Utah State land.	H. R. 5390 (S. 2140)	June 29	PL	IIA	Aug. 5	Aug. 15	1197	920	11468	12370	Aug. 15	Aug. 27	Sept. 7	302
To declare children of competent Crow Indians to be competent members of the Crow Tribe.	H. R. 2170	Feb. 2	PL	IIA	May 11	Aug. 22	567	944	7266	12378	June 6	Aug. 27	Sept. 8	303
Relating to the sale of the old Louisville Marine Hospital, Jefferson County, Ky.	H. R. 3197	Mar. 3	PW	PW	July 8	Aug. 19	1001	938	10497	12377	Aug. 1	Aug. 27	Sept. 8	304
Extending the time (from September 15 to October 1, 1949) of temporary appropriations for various governmental functions pending enactment of regular appropriation bills.	H. J. Res. 348	Aug. 24	App	App		Aug. 31			12187	12584	Aug. 24	Aug. 31	Sept. 8	305
To provide assistance to certain local school agencies overburdened with war-incurred enrollments where such agencies received similar assistance during any prior fiscal year.	H. R. 3829	Mar. 25	EdL	LPW	July 20	Aug. 17	1085	929	10314	12375	July 27	Aug. 27	Sept. 10	306
Extension of reciprocal trade agreements	H. R. 1211	Jan. 10	WM*	Fin*	Feb. 4	Mar. 11	19	107	1081	12936	Feb. 9	Sept. 15	Sept. 26	307
To provide for crediting civilian service in computing military pay of former civilian employees of certain Government departments who were transferred to Coast Guard in military status.	H. R. 1824	Jan. 25	MMF	IFC	Mar. 3	Aug. 24	204	954	2868	12383	Mar. 21	Aug. 27	Sept. 27	308
To authorize erection of a memorial to the memory of Mohandas K. Gandhi.	H. J. Res. 295	July 8	HA	RAdm	July 14	Sept. 14	1054	1070	9476	12815	July 14	Sept. 14	Sept. 28	309

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To amend Civil Service Retirement Act of 1930 to provide survivorship benefits for widows or widowers of persons retiring under the act.	H. R. 2944	Feb. 22	POCS	POCS	Mar. 21	July 15 Aug. 2	274	686 830	3810	11083	Apr. 4	Aug. 9	Sept. 30	310
To amend Public Law 289 (80th Cong.) with respect to surplus airport property and to provide for the transfer of compliance functions with relation to such property.	H. R. 3851	Mar. 28	Exp*	Exp	Apr. 7	July 15	409	690	6252	12385	May 16	Aug. 27	Oct. 1	311
To authorize the joint development of hydroelectric power at Falcon Dam on the Rio Grande by the U. S. and Mexico.	H. R. 5773	July 26	FA*	FR	Aug. 22	Aug. 31	1299	967	12098	13351	Aug. 23	Sept. 27	Oct. 5	312
To convey to the county of Los Angeles, Calif., a certain portion of a tract of land.	H. R. 524	Jan. 3	AS*	AS	July 1	Sept. 15	964	1078	9657	13342	July 18	Sept. 27	Oct. 5	313
To provide terminal-leave pay for certain officers of the Navy and Marine Corps.	H. R. 540	Jan. 3	AS*	AS	July 12	Sept. 15	1013	1079	9663	13342	July 18	Sept. 27	Oct. 5	314
To authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to effect exchange of certain lands in State of Minnesota.	H. R. 2015	Jan. 31	Agr*	Agr	Aug. 3	Sept. 8	1178	973	11465	13318	Aug. 15	Sept. 27	Oct. 5	315
To extend the benefits of the annual- and sick-leave laws to part-time employees on regular tours of duty, also to validate payments heretofore made for leave on account of services of such employees.	H. R. 2619	Feb. 10	POCS	POCS	May 23	Aug. 31	655	971	8768	13318	June 30	Sept. 27	Oct. 5	316
To permit the leasing of school lands within Wyoming for mineral purposes for terms in excess of 10 years.	H. R. 2678 (S. 805)	Feb. 14	PL	IIA	June 20	July 14	850	674	8951	13307	July 6	Sept. 27	Oct. 5	317
To authorize advances in pay to personnel of the armed services upon permanent change of station.	H. R. 4050 (S. 1536)	Apr. 6	AS*	AS	July 12	May 26	1014	424	9663	13308	July 18	Sept. 27	Oct. 5	318
Relative to travel expense allowances for Government employee witnesses.	H. R. 4875	May 26	Jud	Jud	June 30	July 18	961	697	8962	13308	July 6	Sept. 27	Oct. 5	319
To amend Civil Service Retirement Act of 1930 relative to computing annuities of employees paid on a fee basis.	H. R. 5465	June 30	POCS	POCS	July 18	Aug. 16	1069	926	10497	13315	Aug. 1	Sept. 27	Oct. 5	320
Authorizing transfer of land to county of Bernalillo, N. Mex., for a hospital site.	H. R. 5670 (S. 2286)	July 18	PL	IIA	Aug. 9	Aug. 15	1239	914	11470	12367	Aug. 15	Aug. 27	Oct. 5	321
To confer jurisdiction on the State of California over the lands and residents of the Agua Caliente Indian Reservation in same State.	H. R. 5310	June 23	PL	IIA	June 30	July 14	956	669	8961	12355	July 6	Aug. 27	Oct. 5	322
To authorize the Secretary of Defense to loan certain military equipment to Boy Scouts of America for use at their second national jamboree.	H. R. 5342	June 27	AS*	AS	Aug. 2	Sept. 15	1162	1082	11401	13342	Aug. 12	Sept. 27	Oct. 5	323
Revising salaries of teachers, school officers, and other employees of the Board of Education of the D. C.	H. R. 2437	Feb. 7	DC	DC	June 7	July 7	747	620	7611	13305	June 13	Sept. 27	Oct. 6	324
To authorize exchange and conveyance of wildlife lands in the State of Washington.	H. R. 3420	Mar. 10	MMF	IPC	Mar. 25	Sept. 14	321	1072	3812	13335	Apr. 4	Sept. 27	Oct. 6	325
To rename a game sanctuary in Harney National Forest as the "Norbeck Wildlife Preserve."	H. R. 3926	Mar. 31	Agr*	Agr	July 26	Sept. 8	1128	978	10504	13319	Aug. 1	Sept. 27	Oct. 6	326
Foreign-aid appropriations for 1950	H. R. 4830	May 23	App*	App*	May 23	July 12 July 30	657	655 812	6923	10985	May 26	Aug. 8	Oct. 6	327
Extending the time during which leases of public lands may be made to the State of Idaho for educational purposes.	H. R. 4943	June 1	PL	IIA	June 15	Aug. 8	828	875	8950	13311	July 6	Sept. 27	Oct. 6	328
Foreign Military Assistance Act of 1949	H. R. 5895	Aug. 5	FA*	FR*	Aug. 15	Sept. 13	1265	1068	11808	13168	Aug. 18	Sept. 22	Oct. 6	329
To amend the Employment Act of 1946 with respect to the Joint Committee on the Economic Report.	S. 2085	June 15	Exp	BC	Aug. 24	June 30	1306	603	13670	11098	Oct. 3	Aug. 9	Oct. 6	330
To provide for the construction, extension, and improvement of school buildings in Hoopa, Calif.	H. R. 554	Jan. 3	PL	IIA	Mar. 2	Sept. 20	197	1090	1941	13345	Mar. 7	Sept. 27	Oct. 6	331
Additional farm land for Leavenworth Penitentiary.	H. R. 4585 (S. 1730)	May 9	Jud	Jud	June 15	June 7	829	472	1758	13300	June 20	Sept. 27	Oct. 6	332
Relating to cancellation of certain unpaid interest charges concerning Flathead Indian irrigation project, Montana.	H. R. 4986	June 2	PL	IIA	July 12	Sept. 20	1024	1094	9665	13345	July 18	Sept. 27	Oct. 6	333
For the relief of certain consultants employed by the ECA.	H. R. 1950	Jan. 27	Jud	Jud	Mar. 1	July 8	173	633	1941	13306	Mar. 7	Sept. 27	Oct. 7	334
To provide for return of rehabilitation and betterment of costs of Federal reclamation projects.	H. R. 1694	Jan. 20	PL	IIA	May 16	June 14	589	501	7269	12354	June 6	Aug. 27	Oct. 7	335
Providing for construction of irrigation facilities for water users on the Buffalo Rapids project, Montana.	S. 2042 (H. R. 5113)	June 10	PL	IIA	July 13	July 14	1043	668	13546	11029	Sept. 29	Aug. 9	Oct. 10	336
To authorize completion of the land development and settlement of Angostura unit of the Missouri Basin project, notwithstanding a limitation of time.	H. R. 2538	Feb. 9	Agr*	Agr	July 22	Sept. 8	1109	977	10504	13319	Aug. 1	Sept. 27	Oct. 10	337
To effect an exchange of certain lands in North Carolina between U. S. and Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians.	H. R. 2876	Feb. 21	PL	IIA	Apr. 1	Aug. 15	375	917	5437	13313	May 2	Sept. 27	Oct. 10	338
Omnibus benefits bill for service-connected disabled veterans.	H. R. 5598	July 12	VA*	Fin*	July 14	Sept. 23	1063	1103	10592	13349	Aug. 2	Sept. 27	Oct. 10	339
Relative to the enlargement of the Everglades National Park, Fla.	H. R. 4029	Apr. 5	PL	IIA	Apr. 12	Aug. 31	428	968	4548	13317	Apr. 13	Sept. 27	Oct. 10	340
To amend the UN Participation Act	H. R. 4708 (S. 2093)	May 16	FA*	FR	May 17	June 16	591	510	9689	13984	July 18	Oct. 6	Oct. 10	341
To clarify the active-duty status of certain officers of the Army and Air Force.	H. R. 4767	May 18	AS*	AS	June 7	Sept. 15	761	1081	7949	13342	June 20	Sept. 27	Oct. 10	342
Third deficiency appropriations for 1949	H. R. 5300	June 23	App*	App*	June 23	Aug. 5	879	846	8397	12248	June 24	Aug. 25	Oct. 10	343
To grant to city of Los Angeles, Calif., certain rights-of-way.	H. R. 5764	July 26	PL	IIA	Aug. 12	Aug. 29	1260	966	11474	13316	Aug. 15	Sept. 27	Oct. 10	344
To authorize restocking, propagation, and conservation of game in the Eglin Field Reservation.	H. R. 2418	Feb. 7	AS*	AS	May 18	July 11	622	651	7943	13353	June 20	Sept. 27	Oct. 11	345
Relative to care and detention of persons of unsound mind in certain Federal reservations in Virginia and Maryland.	S. 934	Feb. 17	Jud	Jud	Aug. 17	Apr. 25	1273	302	13667	5826	Oct. 3	May 6	Oct. 11	346
To amend the Atomic Energy Act of 1946, with respect to Military Liaison Committee.	S. 2372 (H. R. 5884)	Aug. 3	AE	AE	Aug. 18	Aug. 18	1282	934	13557	12387	Sept. 29	Aug. 27	Oct. 11	347
Providing for reforestation and revegetation for forest and range lands in national forests.	S. J. Res. 53	Feb. 14	Agr*	Agr	June 6	Mar. 8	733	97	13567	4239	Sept. 29	Apr. 11	Oct. 11	348
Increasing the rates of compensation of certain employees of the Department of Medicine and Surgery of the VA.	H. R. 6022	Aug. 17	VA*	LPW*	Aug. 24	Sept. 22	1316	1098	12275	13345	Aug. 25	Sept. 27	Oct. 12	349
Interior appropriations for 1950	H. R. 3838	Mar. 28	App*	App*	Mar. 28	July 13	324	661	3540	12236	Mar. 30	Aug. 25	Oct. 12	350

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To provide increased pay, allowances, and physical-disability retirement for members of the uniformed services.	H. R. 5007	June 6	AS*	AS*	June 10	July 20	779	733	7775	13261	June 15	Sept. 26	Oct. 12	351
To authorize an appropriation of $100 million for the advance planning of public works.	S. 2116 (H. R. 5739)	June 22	PW*	PW	July 26	July 25	1131	751	13695	13214	Oct. 3	Sept. 23	Oct. 13	352
To provide sick and emergency leave for D. C. teachers and attendance officers.	H. R. 4381	Apr. 27	DC	DC	June 7	June 22	755	555	7611	8914	June 13	July 6	Oct. 13	353
Authorizing Secretary of the Army to convey certain lands to city and county of San Francisco.	H. R. 5328 (S. 862)	June 24	AS*	AS	July 1	June 23	966	560	8964	13302	July 6	Sept. 27	Oct. 13	354
Army civil-functions appropriations for 1950.	H. R. 3734	Mar. 23	App*	App*	Mar. 23	May 10	307	361	3398	6534	Mar. 29	May 20	Oct. 13	355
To reauthorize the American River Basin development as an integrated feature of the Central Valley project, California.	H. R. 165	Jan. 3	PL	IIA	Mar. 9	July 1	241	606	5609	13302	May 4	Sept. 27	Oct. 14	356
To amend Federal Employees' Compensation Act by extending coverage to civilian officers of the U. S. and by making benefits more realistic in terms of present wage rates.	H. R. 3191 (S. 239)	Mar. 3	EdL*	LPW*	June 6	Aug. 4	729	836	8764	13609	June 30	Sept. 30	Oct. 14	357
Supplemental appropriations for 1950	H. R. 6008	Aug. 16	App*	App*	Aug. 16	Sept. 20	1266	1092	11877	13249	Aug. 19	Sept. 26	Oct. 14	358
To increase rates of compensation of heads and assistant heads of executive departments and independent agencies.	H. R. 1689 (S. 498)	Jan. 20	POCS*	POCS	May 9	Aug. 9	535	882 130	9174	13541	July 8	Sept. 29	Oct. 15	359
To amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act, relative to relabeling costs, etc., on imported goods.	H. R. 160	Jan. 3	IFC	IFC	June 13	Aug. 11	784	890	7952	12364	June 20	Aug. 27	Oct. 18	360
To enable the Secretary of Agriculture to extend financial assistance to homestead entrymen.	H. R. 2514	Feb. 8	Agr*	Agr	Apr. 26	Sept. 8	478	975	5449	13319	May 2	Sept. 27	Oct. 19	361
To amend the Civil Service Retirement Act so as to make such act applicable to the officers and employees of the Columbia Institution for the Deaf.	H. R. 86	Jan. 3	POCS	POCS	May 9	Aug. 31	537	970 1076	6254	13341	May 16	Sept. 27	Oct. 19	362
To assist States in collecting sales and use taxes on cigarettes.	H. R. 195	Jan. 3	WM*	Fin*	Apr. 8	July 11	416	644	6365	14019	May 17	Oct. 6	Oct. 19	363
To provide a method of financing the acquisition and construction by the city of Duluth of certain bridges across the St. Louis River.	H. R. 5956 (S. 2002)	Aug. 10	PW	PW	Oct. 3	Sept. 29	1367	1114	14258	14350	Oct. 11	Oct. 12	Oct. 20	364
To authorize reimbursement to the appropriations of the Bureau of Narcotics of moneys expended for the purchase of narcotics.	H. R. 6213 (S. 2598)	Sept. 26	WM	Fin	Oct. 13	Sept. 29	1430	1113	14587	14748	Oct. 14	Oct. 17	Oct. 20	365
To authorize construction and equipment of a radio laboratory for the National Bureau of Standards.	S. 443	Jan. 13	IFC	IFC	Oct. 11	July 26	1408	787	14806	11063	Oct. 17	Aug. 9	Oct. 25	366
Providing that certain lands withdrawn by an Executive order may be leased for exploitation of silica sand and other nonmetallic minerals only so long as such lands remain so withdrawn.	S. 939	Feb. 14	PL	IIA	Oct. 11	July 14	1405	662	14791	10214	Oct. 17	July 26	Oct. 25	367
Relating to the compensation of certain employees of the Panama Canal.	S. 2226	July 8	MMF	POCS	Oct. 5	Aug. 5	1379	845	14591	13311	Oct. 14	Sept. 27	Oct. 25	368
Appointment of 3 additional judges for the municipal court of D. C.	H. R. 1370 (S. 333)	Jan. 13	DC	DC	July 14	Oct. 6	1065	1132	14454	14755	Oct. 13	Oct. 17	Oct. 25	369
To authorize an appropriation to complete the International Peace Garden, N. Dak.	H. R. 2369	Feb. 7	PL	IIA	Mar. 31	Sept. 27	359	1109	5434	14748	May 2	Oct. 17	Oct. 25	370
Directing the Secretary of Interior to convey certain land to Palm Beach County, Fla.	H. R. 2517	Feb. 8	PL	IIA	June 20	Aug. 17	849	930	8951	12375	July 6	Aug. 27	Oct. 25	371
To clarify exemption from taxation of certain property of the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution.	H. R. 4059	Apr. 6	DC	DC	Aug. 3	Oct. 7	1170	1139	10797	14756	Aug. 4	Oct. 17	Oct. 25	372
Requirements for membership on Commission on Mental Health for the D. C.	H. R. 4749	May 18	DC	DC	July 14	Oct. 6	1060	1133	10796	14755	Aug. 4	Oct. 17	Oct. 25	373
Granting patent renewal relating to the badge of the Holy Name Society.	H. R. 5319	June 23	Jud	Jud	Aug. 9	Oct. 11	1240	1154	11582	14767	Aug. 16	Oct. 17	Oct. 25	374
To extend from 20 to 30 years maturity date of bridge revenue bonds in connection with refunding operations on the Brownville, Nebr., bridge across the Missouri River.	H. R. 5674	July 18	PW	PW	Sept. 29	Oct. 12	1356	1164	13586	14769	Oct. 3	Oct. 17	Oct. 25	375
To amend the Federal Credit Union Act by increasing period of loans to members, the unsecured loan limit, and providing a 10-percent ceiling of shareholdings on required regular reserves.	H. R. 6185 (S. 2560)	Sept. 21	BC	BC	Oct. 10	Sept. 23	1397	1106	14466	14748	Oct. 13	Oct. 17	Oct. 25	376
Disposition of material removed from the Executive Mansion.	H. J. Res. 353 (S. J. Res. 129)	Aug. 30	PW	PW	Oct. 3	Sept. 29	1370	1115	14133	14748	Oct. 10	Oct. 17	Oct. 25	377
To amend certain provisions of the Internal Revenue Code, including sections on farmers' return, foreign tax credit, charitable deductions by corporations, transfer of stocks between corporations and nominee, employee annuity contracts, and relinquishment of powers in case of reciprocal trust.	H. R. 5268	June 21	WM	Fin	June 27	Aug. 3	920	831	9657	12997	July 18	Sept. 16	Oct. 25	378
To authorize refund to the Florida Keys Aqueduct Commission of the sum advanced for certain water facilities.	S. 469	Jan. 13	AS*	AS	Oct. 13	Sept. 19	1424	1088	14591	13344	Oct. 14	Sept. 27	Oct. 25	379
To amend the Hospital Survey and Construction Act, increasing amounts of funds and defining their distribution.	S. 614 (H. R. 5903)	Jan. 24	IFC	LPW*	Aug. 10	July 26	1325	790	13686	11065	Oct. 3	Aug. 9	Oct. 25	380
To increase the equipment maintenance allowance payable to rural carriers.	S. 1232	Mar. 11	POCS	POCS	Oct. 13	July 15	1432	689	14804	11039	Oct. 17	Aug. 9	Oct. 25	381
To amend sec. 6 of the Federal Airport Act to reduce the amount of funds available for grants.	S. 1284	Mar. 16	IFC	IFC		July 20		730	14954	14784	Oct. 18	Oct. 17	Oct. 25	382
To authorize the withdrawal of public notices in the Yuma reclamation project.	S. 1542	Apr. 8	PL	IIA	Oct. 11	Aug. 23	1404	953	14592	12382	Oct. 14	Aug. 27	Oct. 25	383
To transfer to the Crow Indian Tribe of Montana the title to certain buffalo.	S. 1829	May 11	PL	IIA	Oct. 11	Aug. 15	1410	921	14791	12372	Oct. 17	Aug. 27	Oct. 25	384
To authorize an appropriation for the making of necessary improvements in the cemetery plots at the Blue Grass Ordnance Depot, Richmond, Ky.	S. 2290	July 20	AS*	AS	Oct. 13	Sept. 27	1425	1108	14956	13350	Oct. 18	Sept. 27	Oct. 25	385
To authorize construction and equipment of a guided-missile research laboratory building for the National Bureau of Standards.	S. 2316	July 22	IFC	IFC	Oct. 11	Aug. 15	1413	899	14807	12385	Oct. 17	Aug. 27	Oct. 25	386
To amend the National Housing Act by extending title I thereof to Mar. 1, 1950.	S. J. Res. 134	Oct. 5	BC		Oct. 10		1396		14462	13897	Oct. 13	Oct. 5	Oct. 25	387
To provide for installation of a carillon in the Arlington National Cemetery in memory of World War II dead.	H. R. 6259	Sept. 28	PL	IIA	Oct. 3	Oct. 12	1369	1160	14134	14767	Oct. 10	Oct. 17	Oct. 25	388

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Authorizing the construction and presentation of a hospital to the people of St. Lawrence, Newfoundland, on behalf of the U. S. in recognition of heroic services rendered to officers and men of the U. S. Navy.	H. J. Res. 230	Apr. 27	AS*	AS	Aug. 2	Sept. 15	1164	1083	11465	14772	Aug. 15	Oct. 17	Oct. 25	389
Providing basic authority for certain Commerce Department functions and activities.	H. R. 162	Jan. 3	IFC	IFC	Apr. 12	July 14	427	678	6251	11034	May 16	Aug. 9	Oct. 26	390
Construction of railroad connecting the existing U. S.-Canadian railroad with the Alaskan railroad.	H. R. 2186	Feb. 2	FA	FR	Aug. 24	Oct. 6	1318	1131	12188	14755	Aug. 24	Oct. 17	Oct. 26	391
Federal-State cooperation in forestry activities.	H. R. 2296	Feb. 3	Agr*	Agr*	May 9	July 5	536	611	6290	11097	May 16	Aug. 9	Oct. 26	392
To amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938, including an increase to 75 cents of the minimum wage.	H. R. 5856 (S. 653)	Aug. 2	EdL	LPW*	.....	July 8	.....	640	11288	12583	Aug. 11	Aug. 31	Oct. 26	393
To clarify the status of the Architect of the Capitol under the Federal Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949.	H. J. Res. 340	Aug. 15	Exp	Exp	Aug. 25	Oct. 7	1333	1136	13671	14755	Oct. 3	Oct. 17	Oct. 26	394
Conveying a portion of Santa Rosa Island to Okaloosa County, Fla.	H. R. 3155	Mar. 2	AS*	AS	May 18	Oct. 13	623	1173	7271	14770	June 6	Oct. 17	Oct. 26	395
To provide for the furnishing of quarters at Brunswick, Ga., for the U. S. District Court for the Southern District of Georgia.	H. R. 3793	Mar. 24	Jud	Jud	Aug. 18	Oct. 17	1278	1182	13667	14890	Oct. 3	Oct. 18	Oct. 26	396
In re sewer bonds for Hawaii	H. R. 4966	June 2	PL	IIA	July 25	Oct. 5	1118	1125	10503	14754	Aug. 1	Oct. 17	Oct. 26	397
In re public-park improvement bonds in Hawaii.	H. R. 4967	June 2	PL	IIA	July 25	Oct. 5	1120	1126	10503	14754	Aug. 1	Oct. 17	Oct. 26	398
In re public-improvement bonds in Hawaii.	H. R. 4968	June 2	PL	IIA	July 25	Oct. 11	1121	1149	10503	14766	Aug. 1	Oct. 17	Oct. 26	399
To provide for the furnishing of quarters at Thomasville, Ga., for the U. S. District Court for the Middle District of Georgia.	H. R. 5191	June 15	Jud	Jud	Aug. 18	Oct. 17	1279	1184	13667	14890	Oct. 3	Oct. 18	Oct. 26	400
Public-improvement bonds in Hawaii	H. R. 5459	June 30	PL	IIA	July 25	Oct. 11	1122	1150	10504	14766	Aug. 1	Oct. 17	Oct. 26	401
Relative to session laws of Hawaii	H. R. 5490	July 5	PL	IIA	July 25	Oct. 11	1119	1151	10503	14766	Aug. 1	Oct. 17	Oct. 26	402
To authorize the exchange of certain lands in the State of Michigan.	H. R. 5601	July 12	Agr*	Agr	Aug. 3	Sept. 8	1180	974	11465	13319	Aug. 15	Sept. 27	Oct. 26	403
To amend the Federal Airport Act to authorize appropriations for projects in the Virgin Islands.	S. 2360	Aug. 1	IFC	IFC	Oct. 11	Aug. 15	1414	900	14791	13312	Oct. 17	Sept. 27	Oct. 26	404
To amend sec. 16 of Hawaiian Organic Act relative to disqualification of legislators.	H. R. 4000	Apr. 4	PL	IIA	May 26	Oct. 17	680	1194	7274	14892	June 6	Oct. 18	Oct. 26	405
To extend the benefits of sec. 23 of Bankhead-Jones Act, regarding agricultural extension work, to Puerto Rico.	H. R. 4090	Apr. 7	Agr*	Agr	Aug. 3	Sept. 8	1179	976	11465	14745	Aug. 15	Oct. 17	Oct. 26	406
Public-improvement bonds in Hawaii	H. R. 4686	May 16	PL	IIA	July 25	Oct. 11	1117	1148	10502	14766	Aug. 1	Oct. 17	Oct. 26	407
To facilitate public participation in the preservation of sites, buildings, and objects of national significance or interest and providing a national trust for historic preservation.	H. R. 5170	June 15	PL	IIA	June 20	Sept. 28	855	1110	8952	14748	July 6	Oct. 17	Oct. 26	408
Relative to session laws of Hawaii	H. R. 5489	July 5	PL	IIA	Aug. 1	Oct. 5	1153	1127	11464	14754	Aug. 15	Oct. 17	Oct. 26	409
Amending Second Supplemental National Defense Appropriation Act relative to air-conditioning of certain Government laboratories.	H. R. 5934	Aug. 9	PW	PW	Oct. 3	Oct. 17	1366	1196	14263	14892	Oct. 11	Oct. 18	Oct. 26	410
Granting congressional consent to a compact between Tennessee and Missouri concerning a Tennessee-Missouri Bridge Commission.	H. R. 6109	Aug. 24	PW	PW	Oct. 13	Oct. 18	1429	1198	14590	14983	Oct. 14	Oct. 19	Oct. 26	411
To direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain land to School District No. 5, Linn County, Oreg.	H. R. 6230	Sept. 27	PL	IIA	Oct. 3	Oct. 12	1368	1162	14134	14768	Oct. 10	Oct. 17	Oct. 26	412
Providing for certain improvements relating to the Capitol power plant.	H. R. 6281	Sept. 29	PW	PW	Oct. 11	Oct. 17	1402	1192	14620	14891	Oct. 14	Oct. 18	Oct. 26	413
Authorize Army Secretary to proceed with construction at stations of the Alaska Communications System.	S. 1578 (H. R. 4315)	Apr. 13	AS*	AS	Aug. 2	June 16	1161	509	15079	8028	Oct. 19	June 21	Oct. 27	414
To authorize construction of transsonic and supersonic wind-tunnel facilities.	S. 1267	Mar. 16	AS*	AS	Oct. 4	June 2	1376	443	14273	11364	Oct. 11	Aug. 12	Oct. 27	415
Regarding common-trust funds and to make uniform the law with reference thereto in the District of Columbia.	S. 1580 (H. R. 3571)	Apr. 14	DC	DC	Aug. 3	May 12	1169	368	14949	6609	Oct. 18	May 23	Oct. 27	416
To extend to Alaska the full benefits of the legislation pertaining to the establishment and operation of agricultural extension service programs.	H. R. 212	Jan. 3	Agr*	Agr	June 2	Sept. 9	720	980	7945	14745	June 20	Oct. 17	Oct. 27	417
Relative to Virgin Islands bonds	H. R. 4586	May 9	PL	IIA	May 26	Oct. 11	682	1152	7281	14766	June 6	Oct. 17	Oct. 27	418
To approve contracts negotiated with certain irrigation districts and to authorize their execution.	H. R. 5184	June 15	PL	IIA	July 6	Sept. 28	974	1111	9661	14748	July 18	Oct. 17	Oct. 27	419
To authorize certain construction at military and naval installations.	H. R. 6303	Oct. 3	AS*	AS	Oct. 5	Oct. 14	1378	1174	14269	14770	Oct. 11	Oct. 17	Oct. 27	420
Proposing enabling legislation to carry out the international wheat agreement.	H. R. 6305 (S. 2383)	Oct. 3	BC*	Agr*	Oct. 10	Oct. 5	1395	1123	14465	14506	Oct. 13	Oct. 14	Oct. 27	421
To amend the Independent Offices Appropriation Act for 1950, relating to construction projects of Atomic Energy Commission.	S. 2668	Oct. 11	AE	AE	.....	Oct. 18	.....	1201	15080	14885	Oct. 19	Oct. 18	Oct. 28	422
Providing for rural telephones	H. R. 2960	Feb. 24	Agr*	Agr*	Mar. 9	Sept. 14	246	1071	9403	13895	July 13	Oct. 5	Oct. 28	423
To authorize construction of research laboratory for Quartermaster Corps.	S. 2382	Aug. 4	AS*	AS	Oct. 19	Sept. 20	1466	1093	15079	13345	Oct. 19	Sept. 27	Oct. 28	424
To amend the act of Jan. 16, 1883, An Act To Regulate and Improve the Civil Service of the U. S., regarding State quotas.	H. R. 3826	Mar. 25	POCS	POCS	May 24	Aug. 8	669	874	7943	12361	June 20	Aug. 27	Oct. 28	425
To increase the compensation of certain D. C. employees so as to clarify the provisions relating to retired policemen and firemen.	H. J. Res. 302	July 18	DC	DC	July 20	Oct. 7	1081	1140	10796	14755	Aug. 4	Oct. 17	Oct. 28	426
Relating to the sale by WAA of certain shipyard facilities at Orange, Tex.	H. J. Res. 373	Oct. 11	Exp	Exp	Oct. 13	Oct. 17	1426	1197	14595	14890	Oct. 14	Oct. 18	Oct. 28	427
To provide additional benefits for certain postal-service employees with respect to annual and sick leave, longevity pay, and promotion.	H. R. 4495 (S. 1772)	May 3	POCS	POCS*	Aug. 5	Aug. 8	1201	871	13385	13600	Sept. 27	Sept. 30	Oct. 28	428

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To establish a standard schedule of rates of basic compensation for classified employees of the Federal Government, to provide an equitable system for fixing and adjusting the rates of basic compensation of individual employees, and to repeal the Classification Act of 1923.	H. R. 5931 (S. 2379)	Aug. 9	POCS	POCS*	Sept. 28	Sept. 30	13498	13605	1264	847	Aug. 15	Aug. 5	Oct. 28	429
Second supplemental appropriations for 1950.	H. R. 6427	Oct. 14	App*	App*	Oct. 14	Oct. 17	14603	14867	1439	1195	Oct. 14	Oct. 17	Oct. 28	430
To abolish the village delivery service of the Post Office Department, and to transfer village carriers to the city delivery service.	S. 1479	Apr. 1	POCS	POCS	Oct. 3	Aug. 9	13670	11086	1330	843	Aug. 23	Aug. 5	Oct. 29	431
To provide promotion for temporary employees of the mail equipment shops.	S. 1825	May 10	POCS	POCS	Oct. 17	Aug. 9	14789	11070	1331	810	Aug. 23	July 29	Oct. 29	432
To amend the Federal Farm Loan Act to authorize full participation by Puerto Rico and Alaska.	H. R. 3699	Mar. 22	Agr*	Agr	July 11	Oct. 17	9230	14764	694	1144	May 27	Oct. 11	Oct. 29	433
National Military appropriations for 1950, providing a total of $15,585,863,498.	H. R. 4146	Apr. 9	App*	App*	Apr. 13	Aug. 29	4546	12426	417	745	Apr. 9	July 22	Oct. 29	434
To increase the retired pay of certain members of the former Lighthouse Service.	H. R. 5305	June 23	MMF	IFC	June 6	Oct. 17	13670	14769	1334	1165	Aug. 30	Oct. 12	Oct. 29	435
Providing parity in disability compensation for service-connected veterans of all wars.	H. R. 6301	Oct. 3	VA	Fin	Oct. 17	Oct. 18	14794	14859	1442	.....	Oct. 14	Oct. 18	Oct. 29	436
Purchase of certain Indian lands by U. S. from Three Affiliated Tribes of Fort Berthold Reservation, N. Dak.	H. J. Res. 33	Jan. 3	PL*	IIA	July 6	July 1	7293	8931	544	605	May 9	July 1	Oct. 29	437
Authorizing construction and improvement of Indian hospital at Albuquerque, N. Mex.	S. 2404	Aug. 8	.....	IIA	June 6	Oct. 17	14956	14765	.....	1146	.....	Oct. 11	Oct. 31	438
To stabilize prices of agricultural commodities by providing for flexible support prices of "modern" parity.	H. R. 5345 (S. 2322)	June 27	Agr*	Agr*	July 21	Oct. 12	14324	14765	998	1091 1130	July 7	Sept. 20 Oct. 6	Oct. 31	439
To confer jurisdiction upon the Court of Claims to determine the amounts due to and render judgment upon the claims of the employees of the Alaska Railroad for overtime work performed.	H. R. 219	Jan. 3	Jud	Jud	July 11	Oct. 18	9863	14889	1102	1188	July 21	Oct. 17	Nov. 1	440

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